



SCHOOL LEADERSHIP WHERE DO YOU STAND?

Vision & Strategy

"The very essence of leadership is that you have to have a vision." – Theodore Hesburgh

vs.

"In preparing for battle, I have always found that plans are useless, but planning is indispensable."
– Dwight D. Eisenhower

Decision-Making

"Once you make a decision, the universe conspires to make it happen." – Ralph Waldo Emerson

vs.

"Nothing is more difficult, and therefore more precious, than to be able to decide." – Napoleon Bonaparte

Delegation & Control

"Don't tell people how to do things, tell them what to do and let them surprise you with their results." – George S. Patton

vs.

"What gets measured gets managed." – Peter Drucker

Confidence vs. Humility

"A leader is a dealer in hope." – Napoleon Bonaparte

vs.

"The greatest leader is not necessarily the one who does the greatest things. He is the one who gets the people to do the greatest things." – Ronald Reagan

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Transparency vs. Message Control

“The most powerful leadership tool you have is your own personal example.” – John Wooden

vs.

“The leader’s job is to look into the future and see the organization not as it is, but as it should be.” – Jack Welch
(implying shaping what people see, not just showing what is)

Risk vs. Safety

“Only those who will risk going too far can possibly find out how far one can go.” – T. S. Eliot

vs.

“Great leaders are not risk-takers. They are calculated risk-takers.” – Andy Stanley

Authenticity vs. Adaptability

“Be yourself; everyone else is already taken.” – Oscar Wilde (often cited in leadership contexts)

vs.

“The leader must be able to change an organization’s direction — and sometimes their own style — to meet challenges.” – John Kotter