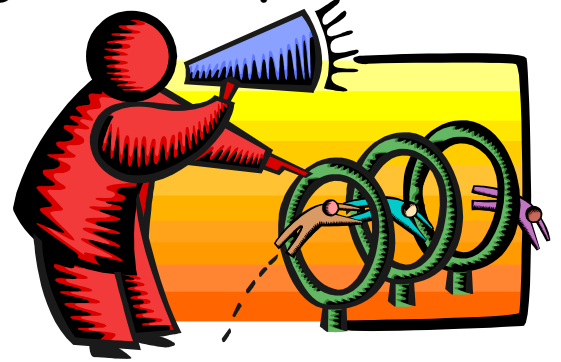


Debate & the Essentials of Developing Leadership Skills

What are the essentials of leadership?

- *Communication skills: impromptu speaking*
- *Persuasive power*
- *Good listener*
- *Group interaction*
- *Parliamentary Procedure*
- *Respect for diverse opinions*
- *Event planning*
- *Detailed examination of specific issues*
- *Creative Problem solving: Analysis, Planning, Evaluation*
- *Mentoring*



multi-year program of debate leadership

1st year:

- Sponges & survivors: research, supporting arguments, public speaking

2nd year

- know the ropes
- take own initiative
- start to contribute
- experience success
- build arsenal of techniques
- develop and build strengths and style

3rd year

- major contributors
- teaching the survivors
- filling the sponges
- running events
- building school spirit
- confidence & self-esteem



4th year

- building a cohesive group
- modeling and mentoring
- gaining confidence to experiment
- inter-provincial travel & learning opportunities