

Some are outgoing (charismatic leader), some quiet (lead by example), some stick with challenges and people (perseverance), some stand for fairness (integrity), and some are consistently focused on others (service).

Breana was one of her community's top student musicians, then went away to college where she was a quiet leader, and now an influential leader in her new community and career. While Breana has had personal challenges and hardships, her daily operating procedure has consistently been to lift others up. She leads through **service** and **example** and is a proud member of the Karuk Tribe of northern California.

Breana has a deep passion for life and significant causes. What makes Breana an exceptional leader is the way she approaches her passions - in a respectful and educational manner; there is no hint of discriminatory superiority in a current climate that often displays public distrust and judgement. She is able to gather friends and lead discussions with respectful and loving strategies. Breana also knows that the making of music often helps to bring and keep people together.

Breana introduced an historical figure on social media in a way that brought Native American issues to the forefront in a gentle yet concise manner. She didn't shame anyone; she didn't pass judgement. She didn't need to. Her presentation helped us to understand a racial issue more clearly.

Here's to quiet leading by example. Here's to leading through service. Here's to Breana.

Of the five leadership attributes, **service** is perhaps the most important, and the most elusive, to recognize and mentor. Many noteworthy leaders, present and past, lead through service, assisting and helping where it is needed, innately seeing what is needed and valued. Often these leaders do not seek or obtain recognition for their service, but others follow their example.