Women’s Symposium
#LiftEachOtherUp
Creative Leadership

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Norms

Be present.
Listen to understand.
Speak to be helpful.
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Be present *and grateful*.  
Listen to understand.  
Speak *and act* to be helpful.  
*Keep confidentiality.*
HOMEWORK SHARE:

I thought it was a good idea to…
I realized that it wasn’t a good idea when…
If I could go back to that moment, I would now…
THIS WEEK PARTICIPANTS WILL:

• Define Leadership
• Understand their own values
• Identify ways to measure success
Leadership

Authoritative

Delegative

Transactional

Participative

Transformational
Leadership

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A Found Poem entitled, “Vulnerability is…”

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trembling outside my comfort zone
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being open to feedback

struggling
didn’t know what I didn’t know
I needed help, help
trust, support.

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acknowledging when things are hard or when I’ve messed up
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“Be the Change that you want to be”

coaching conversations
staying in the messy

Open[ing] yourself up for feedback
model[ing] a reflective practice

model it for my children so they can learn and grow.
encourage risk-taking
building trust
Acknowledging I’m not an expert

a colossal mistake
apologising
shar[ing] my personal story with other teachers and my students

yoga
Poetry Slam
my family
Vulnerability is...
#393. How to Give Back without Ruining Everything | Kim Scott
Short link: bit.ly/KimScott
Let’s revisit:
What are your two core values?
Values

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2. Scope
3. **Time**
4. Team [of educators] Satisfaction
5. **Student Satisfaction**
6. Quality of Work
Checking in: Have we…

• Defined Leadership?
• Understood our own values?
• Identified ways to measure success?
Comments
Q&A
What is a flower?
What is a butterfly?
What is an apple?

HOMEWORK:
What is a *creative*?