

End of Year Reflections Student Responses

A qualitative survey was administered to the leadership of the Spring Week and Homecoming 2008 Steering Committees. In order to determine what leadership skills were needed to head a committee and what skills they felt they needed additional training to develop, two questions were asked of 52 student leaders (41 responses = 79% return rate).

Question one involved what each leader learned about working with others. Basically, these attributes are required of a good leader and were developed during the course of academic year.

- Know how to express your opinions
- Understand what's involved in event planning
- You must be able to collaborate
- Patience is a virtue
- You must be proactive
- Always have a plan
- Listen to others
- Have an open mind
- Be prepared for the unexpected
- Communication is vital
- Compromising is a big part of group work

Question two involved what leadership skills were developed while working on the committees:

- Time management skills
- Stress management skills
- How to be a team player
- How to delegate
- Decision making skills
- Communication skills
- People skills
- Listening skills
- Organizational skills