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## Habit #2: Begin with End in Mind

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that a great way to begin with the end in mind is to develop a personal mission statement, and to use that statement to guide all that you do.

I never thought much about having a personal mission statement until I started reading about the Leader in Me. This is what I now call my personal mission statement:

"I am a person who does what I say I will do, takes responsibility for and learns from my mistakes, supports and encourages the growth in the people I work with, and is considered authentic and trustworthy by people with whom I interact."

Defining who I want to be really does help me make decision that help me move toward the goals in my life. It also shows that I am proactive  $-\underline{I}$  control what I do and why I do it, I am not controlled by the events that happen to me, I focus on what is important to me and ignore what is not. Our school district has a mission statement too, to help us focus on what is important and ignore what is not.

The mission of the Benzie Central School community is to provide a safe learning environment that motivates all students to reach their highest potential by providing the necessary skills to become lifelong learners and leaders in a changing society.

- We believe each child can learn and achieve to their highest potential
- We believe the school must be a positive, safe, and comfortable learning environment
- We believe the school must inspire self-confidence, self-motivation, and selfdiscipline in all students
- We believe a child's education is positively influenced by parental and community involvement
- We believe our students will become responsible community members

