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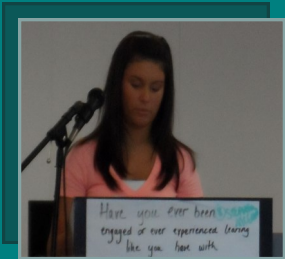
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WHAT IS ALA?

The Academy for Leadership Abilities® (ALA) is a youth and young adult development program in which ethical curricula and leadership techniques are taught based on John C. Maxwell's *The 21 Irrefutable Laws of Leadership*. These are techniques practiced by the world's most successful people. How they did it is taught in our community by trained local leaders.

ALA has been selected to participate in the 2013 Student Achievement Fair, an integral part of the Ohio School Board Association Annual Capital Conference



WHAT ARE PARTICIPANTS TAUGHT?

Life Skills, such as:

- 1) How To Develop A Positive Self-Image
- 2) How To Use Anti-Bullying Techniques
- 3) How To Develop Personal Character
- 4) How To Accept Failing as a Part of Life
- 5) Practicing Planned Daily Habits that Make THE Difference

WHAT MAKES THIS PROGRAM UNIQUE?

- 1) Some participants are developmentally disabled and some are not - all are engaged in learning activities together
- 2) Learning activities are carried out locally - participants are not required to travel outside their community
- 3) The participant's local community is positively benefited from this leadership development program.

Positive Youth Leadership is Positive Youth Influence; no more and no less. Everything rises and falls on leadership. Influence attracts friends. Friends have the potential to help the ALA achieve its goal of providing leadership training for program participants who are the future leaders in and beyond our community.

PARTNERSHIP WITH SOUTHERN LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

"PILOT PROGRAM DEEMED A SUCCESS"

This *pilot program* begun at Miller High School (Southern Local School District, Perry County) concluded with interviews of Academy for Leadership Abilities® participants who completed *Phase One* of this initial program.

Comments revealed participants are:

- 1) Developing a positive opinion of their developmentally disabled classmates
- 2) Becoming aware of the importance of positive self-image
- 3) Using self-reflection as a tool in their life
- 4) Understanding the importance of integrity
- 5) Improving their personal interaction/social skills with others
- 6) Acknowledging, without specifically being asked, that they are making new friends: ALA classmates include freshmen, sophomores, juniors & seniors
- 7) Developing self-discipline
- 8) Aware that what they are learning has practical application to their life now
- 9) Expressing appreciation to ALA teachers who asked participants opinions about teaching materials and generated discussions that otherwise may never have occurred