

# BATTLEFIELD TO BOARDROOM

Leadership and Culture: The Drivers of Your Procurement Culture

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#### **ABOVE THE LINE**



Expectation

Culture

Response

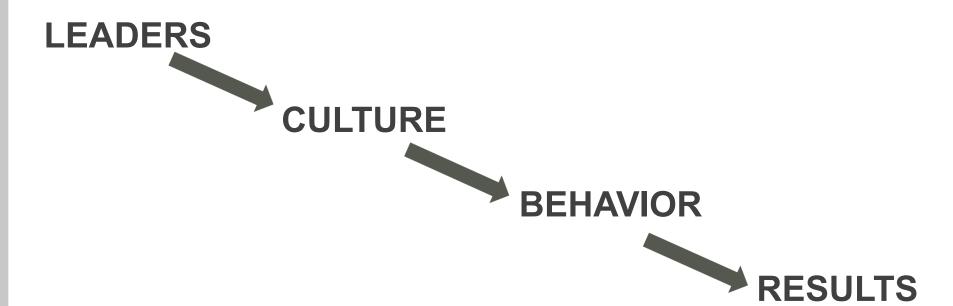
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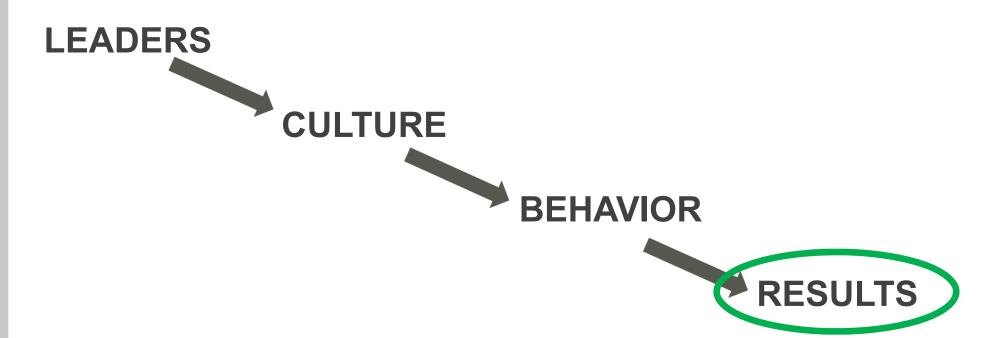
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Business acumen and processes handle the complexity of our actions





#### WHAT DOES IT TAKE TO MAKE A CONTRACT



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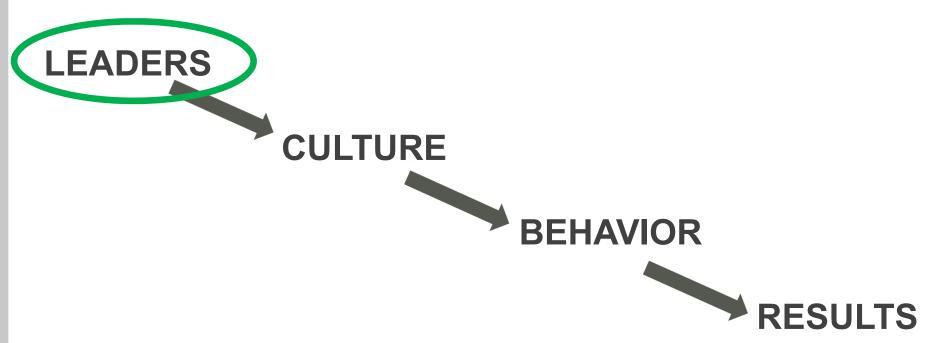
- Randy Pausch

It took me a long time to realize that even a stubborn mule responds to gentleness

-Coach John Wooden







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#### **LEADERSHIP RESPONSE**



#### **Leadership Readiness**

- Creating Organizational Trust
- Providing Feedback
- Preparing for Succession



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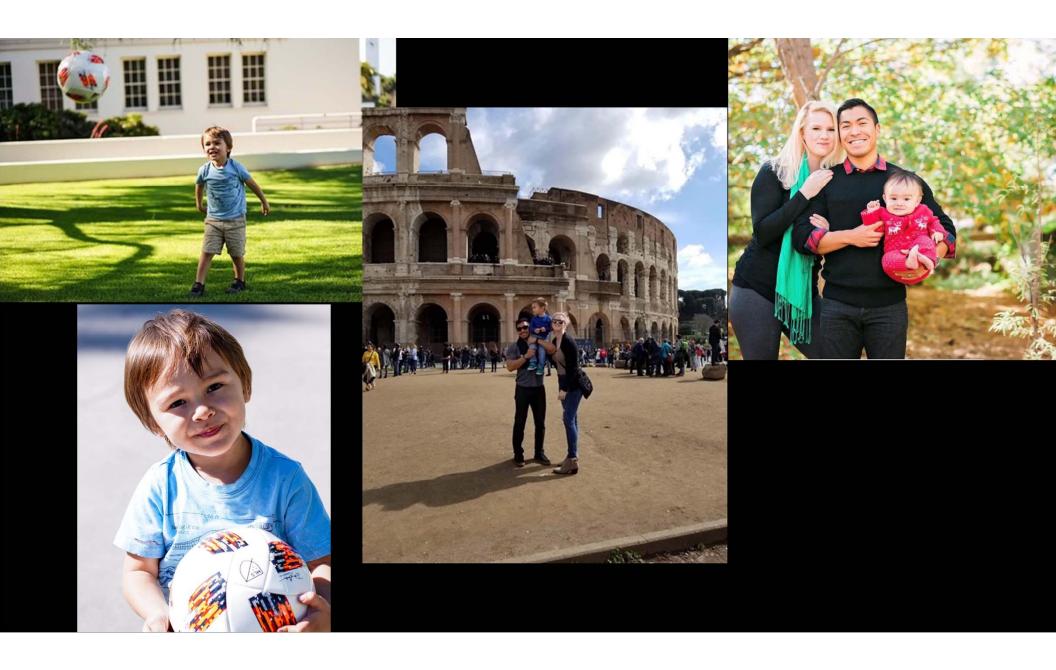
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#### 80-20: FLIPPED



#### Regarding Development

- Flip the Adage
  - Focus on the 80% for maximum return
- Separate the 20
  - 10% are the BEST
  - 10% are the Bottom
- Convert as many of the "80's" into the "10's"

Empowerment, Ownership, and Positive Peer Pressure is the Key

# PARGO PRINCIPLE

2011. EFFORT

80%. Effort 80%. RESULTS

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#### SOLITARY LEADERSHIP/ THINK LIKE A LEADER



Invest in YOUR time

Leadership requires thought and action, not necessarily a quorum, and it requires ownership of that action

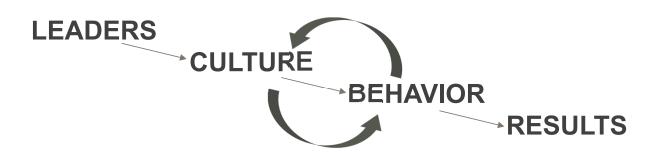
Spend the time with introspection, to produce YOUR culture

Empower your people to bring ideas or new solutions, why did you hire them.

This goes beyond understanding the workload and balancing priorities...That's management Leadership requires decisions...







#### **Culture is Your Engine Room**

## U.S.ARMY

#### **CULTURE**



Is everyone pulling in the same direction; What is their vector?

Leaders create culture, culture drives behavior, Behavior drives results

- Culture and behavior are tied in a feedback loop that is either positive or negatively balanced
- You cant skip the path just to get results!

Definitive culture starts with Core Beliefs! Not just ideas

Two sets of threes Honesty: Never lie, Never Cheat, Never Steal Adversity: Don't Whine, Don't Complain, Don't Make Excuses

### CULTURE U.S.ARMY



#### What are **YOU** about

Establishing and maintaining your core values helps to align the culture of the organization.
 THIS is what your organization will be built and survive around

#### What is your **ORGANIZATION** about

- Hire the right people, put the right people in the right positions
- Communicate your purpose and your culture with exceptional clarity and relentless consistency

#### What are you **ACCEPTING**

- Driven by Expectations and Accountability
- Make it clear to your leaders that it is their responsibility to build and maintain alignment, then
  equip them with essential skills
- Hold everyone accountable; if out of alignment, deal with it quickly and decisively

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#### **ADDITIONAL THOUGHTS**



#### **RESPONSE**

- Focusing on the response, not the input or event, drives the result/outcome
- You control one aspect of the equation
  - More often than not, we MUST respond to inputs OUTSIDE of our procedural control

#### MAINTAIN ACTIONS ABOVE THE LINE

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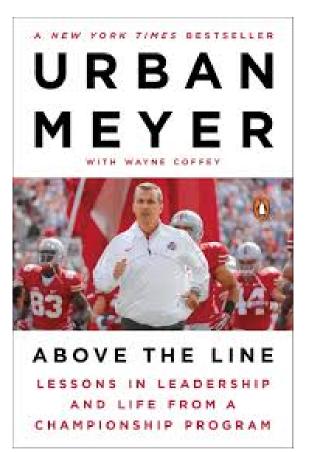
A person in a position of leadership must make decisions. Making decisions is a tough job. Those under a leader can make suggestions. Making suggestions is an easy job. Everybody has a suggestion. Not everybody has a decision. Perhaps that's why there are so few leaders-at least, good leaders.

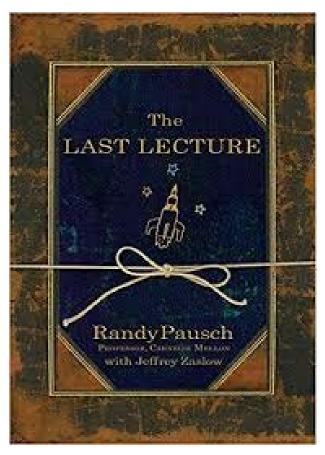
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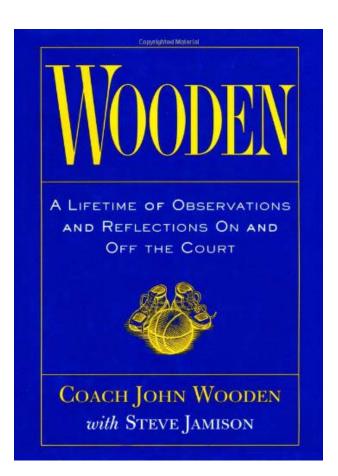


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