

## **How do high school students describe a good school leader?**

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### **Abstract**

The focus of this research was to examine high school students' perceptions on good school leaders. It aims to contribute to the gap in research regarding HS students' perceptions of the practices and characteristics of a good school leader. A qualitative research design was employed to answer the research question through one to one interviews with high school students in Dubai/UAE. Findings revealed three themes in particular; students' conceptions of a good school leader, students' attitudes towards school leaders, and messages from HS students sent to school leaders. The research study highlighted the need to bridge communications between HS students and school leaders and to give the students more voice and choice. The results of this study may contribute to a positive change for both school leadership and students' education.

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