

A Wish for Leaders

We sincerely wish you will have the experience of thinking up a new idea, planning it, organizing it, and following it to completion and having it be magnificently successful. We also hope you'll go through the same process and have something bomb out.

We wish you could know how it feels to run with all of your heart and lose horribly. We also hope you learn how awesome it feels when you win.

We wish that you could achieve some great good for your people, but have nobody know about it except you. And we hope that it makes you feel extremely proud on the inside, but humble on the outside.

We wish you could find something so worthwhile that you deem it worthy of investing your life.

We hope you become frustrated and challenged enough to begin to push back the barriers of your own personal limitations. We also hope you challenge those around you to become better than they already are.

We hope you make a stupid, unethical mistake and get caught red-handed and are big enough to say those magic words, *I was wrong*.

We hope you give so much of yourself that some days you wonder if it's worth it at all.

We wish for you the worst kind of criticism for everything you do, because that makes you fight to achieve beyond what you normally would do. We also wish for you to have the successes and the praise for doing a good job.

We wish for you the experience of leadership.

Note from Ms. Imhoff and Ms. Davies:

We didn't mean for this to sound gloomy, but it truly describes what leadership is all about and how much you grow as a person from the experience you are about to have. We truly wish you all the best as an FBLA officer this year. We have faith in you, have high expectations for you, and want you to challenge yourself to improve and we want you to challenge us to be better advisers for you and all of our members.