

### Leadership Reflection Paragraph:

"If your actions inspire others to dream more, learn more, do more and become more, you are a leader." Please provide at least 3 specific examples of times your leadership has lived up to John Quincy Adams' idea. 500 words max.

Although I've had many different leadership roles throughout my four years in high school, there are three that stand out the most to me: varsity basketball captain, class treasurer, and yearbook managing editor. To start, in my two years as a Captain of our girls varsity basketball team, I feel that I have embodied Adams' idea in many ways. Most of the responsibilities of being a captain are off the court, but the most important and influential ones happen on the court. The off-court organization that being a captain requires is also very important to me, but my favorite part is the interactions with my teammates during practices and games. I love that I am the person that my teammates turn to with not only questions about what I've organized, but also for tips on how to improve their skills and become better players. I do my best to inspire them to push themselves and work hard to improve. Next, being a class treasurer for four years has been very important to me. As a leader of my class, I have worked to get my classmates more involved in many things, including fundraisers, spirit week events, and other class-related activities and contests. I do my best to participate in as much as I can when it comes to class events in hopes to encourage others to join. Lastly, as the yearbook managing editor of the last two years, I can safely say that I have fulfilled Adams' idea to the highest extent possible. My responsibilities as the managing editor include leading club meetings, editing all pages, and designing my own pages. I have been in the yearbook for all four years of high school, so I know how to use the yearbook avenue better than anyone else in the club, including our advisor, which has come from lots of experience. I spend a lot of time teaching others how to use the application and how to perform their own responsibilities. I have also encouraged more students to join, making this year's group the largest and most active that I have ever experienced. My main goal as the editor has been to guide others in their work, therefore making them more capable to guide new members in the future. Overall, I feel that my leadership in high school has lived up to John Quincy Adams' idea and I will work hard to continue to lead others as I move forward.