CDF What I’ve Learned

1. Planning and execution are important
2. Delegate, but don’t abdicate
3. Get out of the office and meet people where they are
4. Care about people, ask them about their family
5. Be intentional about community
6. Smile, speak and pick up trash
7. Remember who we are here for (The Students)
8. Don’t accept “okay” (tyranny of mediocrity)
9. Be flexible
10. Be decisive, make a decision, deal with the fall out and move on (strategically build consensus)
11. Be lucky (Be prepared so that you can take advantage of situations when they become available—make your own luck)
12. Be frugal
13. Set the example for others to follow
14. It’s good to have employees that push us rather than having to push them along. Hire smarter people who will take us to the next level, but they need to be able to work on the team.
15. Bring solutions, not problems
16. Remain positive, look for glasses that are half full
17. Practice common sense