

Leader in Me: Habit 1 BE PROACTIVE

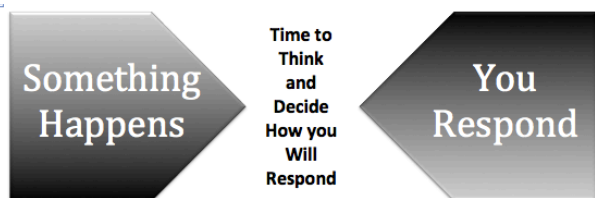
What does it mean to be proactive?

Proactive people take responsibility for their own actions and decisions. They don't blame others and accept responsibility for their own moods and attitudes. Proactive people are happy and actively seek solutions to problems.

Proactive people recognize that they can choose to spend time in their circle of influence or their circle of concern. *Concerns* by this definition are things we have no control over. This is like a farmer worrying about the weather. He is impacted by it but has no control over it. *Influence* is the area where we do have control. A farmer spending time thinking about and planning to get water to his crops is acting in his circle of influence.



**WHICH CIRCLE
ARE YOU IN
TODAY?**



Proactive people take ownership of their response to stimulus. Rather than just reacting, they take time to think about a response. They recognize that they are in charge of their reaction and only respond after they've determined how they want to handle the situation. They can't be goaded into a response.

**May the SPACE
be with you.....**

Proactive people recognize their influence on others around them. They seek to be a transition person, or a person who helps others reach their potential and goals. That means they genuinely care about other people and aren't afraid to show kindness to all.

