



**The Leadership Jigsaw**

# Leadership Academy Newsletter

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*"Leaders are not born; they're made."*

## **TCPS Leadership Academy Has First Meeting**

The Sixth Grade Leadership Academy met in October with guest presenter Shane Hooper, owner of Success Learning in Tupelo and current President of Lee United Way. Mr. Hooper talked with the students about the characteristics of leadership and helped the students generate lists of people who are recognized as leaders and their characteristics, possible careers of the students themselves and qualities needed to be successful, and a listing of the leadership characteristics the students possess now. In these exercises, the students were able to recognize leadership abilities in others and themselves and to refine their goals for the future to include leadership qualities.

The next meeting of the Leadership Academy will be held on Friday, December 3, with Amy Tate of TVA and John Oxford, Renasant Bank executive. Their topic, "Effective Communication," will involve hands-on examples of how communication affects our lives and will focus on articulate expression.

These first three presenters are graduates of the CREATE/CDF Jim Ingram Leadership Institute.



**Mark Your Calendar**

**Put these Leadership Academy dates on your 2011 calendar:**

- January 21 "Differing Leadership Styles"**  
Dr. Jan Bunch/David Upchurch
- February 11 "Reaching Consensus as a Team"**  
Jeremy Martin
- March 24 "Servant Leadership"**  
Dr. David Eldridge
- April (TBA) Plymouth Bluff low ropes course—field trip**