



Leader Valley Rally

FREE AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC
Monday, October 24th | 6:30pm - 8:00pm
Gallagher Bluedorn on the UNI Campus

Students, families, educators and community members are invited to the **FREE** Leader Valley Rally event so they can:

- Learn about **The Leader in Me** initiative that will be implemented in every Cedar Valley school and how it will influence students and their families
- Hear from fellow students, parents, faculty and community members who have already felt the impact of Leader Valley
- Become inspired by Sean Covey, author, and Muriel Summers, principal of the first *The Leader In Me* school in Raleigh, NC.

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INTRODUCING OUR SPECIAL GUESTS

Sean Covey

Developer of *The Leader in Me*

Sean Covey is Executive Vice President of Global Solutions and Partnerships for FranklinCovey and has led the development of most of FranklinCovey's organizational offerings, including *The Leader in Me*.

Sean is devoted to transforming education around the globe through bringing leadership principles and skills to as many kids, educators, and schools as possible.

He is a New York Times best selling author and has written several books, including *The 7 Habits of Happy Kids* and *The 7 Habits of Highly Effective Teens*, which has sold over 4 million copies worldwide. He is a seasoned speaker to kids, teens and adults and has appeared on numerous radio and TV shows.

Sean graduated with honors from BYU and later earned his MBA from Harvard Business School. As the starting quarterback for BYU, he led his team to two bowl games and was twice selected as the ESPN MVP of the Game.

Born in Ireland, Sean's favorite activities include going to movies, working out, hanging out with his kids, riding his dirt bike, and writing poor poetry. Sean and his wife Rebecca live with their children in the Rocky Mountains.

Muriel Summers

Principal of the First *The Leader in Me* School

Muriel Thomas Summers started her teaching career almost 30 years ago, teaching first grade in Anson County, North Carolina. For 14 years she taught elementary and middle school and served as a demonstration teacher for other educators.

She has been recognized as Teacher of the Year 3 times during her tenure. In 2001 she was named Wake County's Principal of the Year. She presents at national, state and local conferences and consults with school districts across the United States, Australia, Japan and Canada.

Muriel and her staff have created the first leadership elementary school in the nation. Representing 64+ countries, A. B. Combs is one of the most diverse elementary schools in NC. Recognizing that each student possesses unique gifts and talents, and building on those strengths, has resulted in over 95% performance at or above grade level. A.B. Combs has been featured on national TV shows, as well as in the book, *The 8th Habit*.

Muriel is the mother of two teenage children, Banks and Colin. She enjoys working with other educators to make a difference for children worldwide. In her spare time, she loves antiquing and spending time with family and friends.

ABOUT THE LEADER IN ME

The Leader in Me is a schoolwide leadership development process for both students and staff members—of which *The 7 Habits of Highly Effective People* is a foundational piece. It integrates timeless leadership principles into school culture, driving transformational results. *The Leader in Me* is designed to be integrated into a school's core curriculum and everyday language. It becomes part of the culture, gaining momentum and producing results, and benefiting schools and students as it:

- Helps students to gain the skills and self-confidence to succeed as leaders in the 21st century
- Improves academic achievement
- Decreases discipline referrals
- Raises levels of accountability and engagement among both parents and staff

ABOUT THE LEADER VALLEY

Leader Valley has been formed to work closely with educators on initiatives designed to facilitate strong working partnerships between Cedar Valley businesses, our educational systems, administrators, boards and the community to make the Cedar Valley a better place for families to raise their children to excel as the Leader Valley's youth. Leader Valley is organized to work within the framework of the Greater Cedar Valley Alliance & Chamber, by funding and supporting approved programs that should assist educators in developing the essential life skills and characteristics for students to thrive in the 21st century. Leader Valley is designed to be an enabler to education, not a hindrance to their objectives.



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