

Being a role model is not easy...

It is important for you to set the standard

Be mindful of everything you say and do...

- Be aware of your conversations and how they might be interpreted.
- Do not talk too much about your personal life – share only what is relevant to the care of the child and family.
- Watch your language at all times. You are in a very influential role in the child's life.

Attitudes are contagious...

- Do your best even on the days you don't want to.
- People are positively affected by positive attitudes.
- Strive to be the source of positiveness that buoys others' spirits.

The importance of follow through...

- If you say you're going to do something, do it.
- Make sure you are where you say you are, when you say you're going to be there.
- Do your best to be a reliable source to the families that you serve.
- Accountability goes hand-in-hand with reliability.

Help shape the lives of those around you...

By being a positive influence, a kind, respectful person, and someone that is genuine and fun, you will be helping the kids self-identify these characteristics, recognize their own value and strive to incorporate these attributes into their lives.