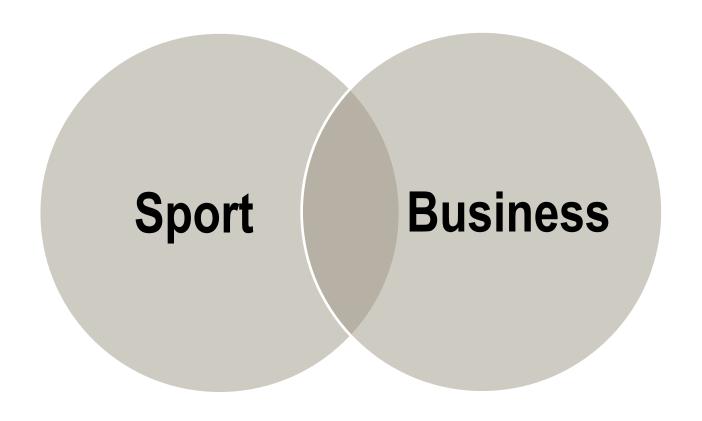
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Ballpark to Bay St:

How sport can be used to shape the development of future principled business leaders

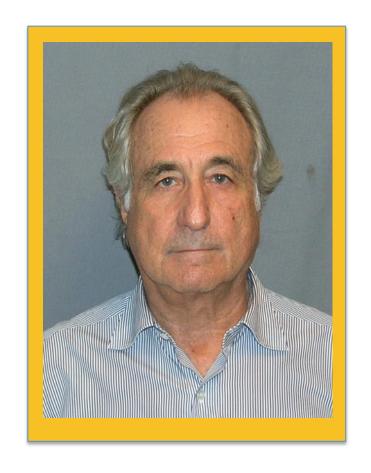
SPORT AND BUSINESS





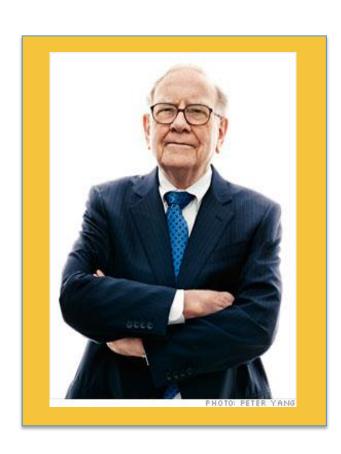
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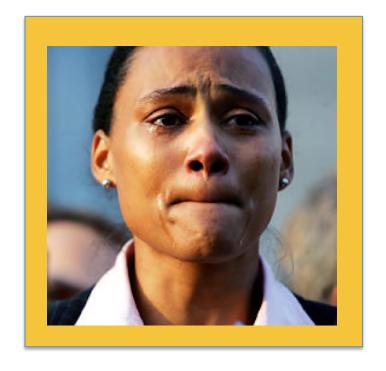






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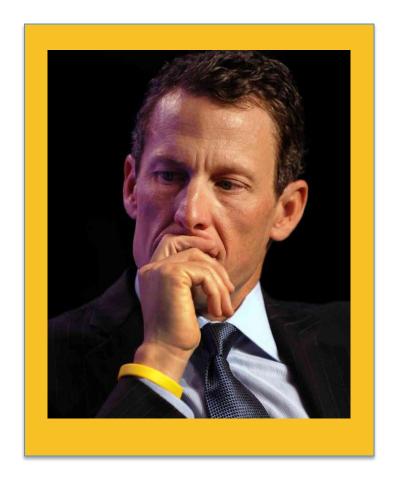






HUGHES vs ARMSTRONG







A STUDY OF CONTRASTS?

Disclaimer: It's more complicated that good vs. bad; hero vs. villain.

- Poor decisions made over the course of time can lead to monumental human error
- What can we learn from contrasting examples from the world of business and sport?
- What are the principles demonstrated in each case?
- How can we increase the likelihood of an individual making consistently ethical decisions and exercising sound principles?



WHAT DOES PRINCIPLED MEAN?

What is the definition?

prin·ci·pled

Fundamental norms, rules or values that represent what is desirable and positive for a person, group, organization or community and help it in determining the rightfulness or wrongfulness of its actions.



SPORT IS AN IDEAL TRAINING GROUND



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THE DEVELOPMENT OF PRINCIPLES

How can we effectively use sport to encourage the long-term development and upgrading of principled behaviour?

The role of sport & coaches

- What is the importance of sport and coaches in the development of children?
- What does the research tell us?



Youth who participate in sport are less likely than nonparticipants to engage in delinquent behaviour.

Sport reduces youth health risk behaviours (eating, smoking, drugs, alcohol, sexual activity)

Organized sports are generally associated with less antisocial behaviour.

source: www.truesportpur.ca



A Canadian Council for Social Development study showed that participating in structured recreation positively influenced young people's physical and social development, as well as their civic behaviour and skills.

source: www.letkidsplay.ca



Organized sport can help children grow, giving them a sense of achievement while building teamwork, leadership, problem-solving, decision-making, and communications skills.

Sport also enables children to channel their energy, competitiveness and aggression in socially beneficial ways.

source: www.statcan.gc.ca



A number of studies provide support for the premise that physical activity, and sports in particular, can positively affect aspects of personal development among young people, such as self-esteem, goal-setting, and leadership. However, evidence indicates that the quality of coaching is a key factor in maximizing positive effects (GAO, 2012).

source: www.aspenprojectplay.org



Children and youth play organized sport under the supervision and watchful eye of coaches, teachers, parents, and spectators.

These adults play an important role in making the experience POSITIVE or NEGATIVE and in serving as role models for young athletes by teaching and modeling positive and ethical behaviors.

source: www.usada.org



Sport in America research found that coaches rank as the number one positive influence on today's youth, according to the majority of respondents.

The coaching responsibility is a powerful legacy that helps "young people realize their potential as people as well as athletes."

source: www.usada.org



SPORT AND MORAL DEVELOPMENT

A person with good character possesses virtue, which is a disposition to act in a particular way. Virtue is not just about action, it is also intellectual and emotional.

Sport is one arena in which moral development can occur. Such development happens by way of both imitation and initiation.

source: www.pschologytoday.com



SPORT AND MORAL DEVELOPMENT

As the young see, imitate, and are initiated into fairness in sport, they can begin to develop fairness as a trait of character.

It also requires that coaches be committed to sports in the same way. Sports are what we make them: fun, competitive, demanding, and a place where strong and good character can be formed, displayed, and reinforced.

source: www.pschologytoday.com



SPORT AND MORAL DEVELOPMENT

Those who play well display such virtues as magnanimity, fairness, respect for the rules, and cooperation. These virtues are often embedded in the traditions of a particular sport which encourages their formation and display by those who play . . .

- Eg. Shaking hands with opponents at end of match
- •What other traditions in sport encourage 'virtuous' behaviours
- •How can we add more of these behaviours into our practice of sport?



UNIQUE STRESSORS OF BUSINESS LEADERSHIP & HOW SPORT PREPARES YOU

| BUSINESS LEADERSHIP STRESSORS | HOW SPORT PREPARES YOU | |
|--|--|--|
| Change or uncertainty/lack of control | Developed social skills and emotional control | |
| Conflict management | Discipline | |
| Production of measureable results Deadlines | Practice coping with mental challenges | |
| | Experience with tactics and decision making | |
| High volume, High intensity work | Skill acquisition and performance under pressure | |
| Building a successful and productive team | Structured and intense training environments | |
| | Understanding and exploiting the synergistic benefits of | |
| Accountability | teaming | |
| Fear of failure or loss | Constant feedback loop | |
| Tough conversations/giving constructive feedback | Understanding how to be accountable & how to lose/win with grace | |

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How do the documented non-physical benefits of sport (ethical decision-making, fair play, discipline, stress management, teaming and mental attributes) acquired from the Active Start to the Train to Win stages create the foundation for principled business leadership?



Active Start

FUNdamentals

Learn to Train

The early stages of LTAD/CS4L require a focus on the development of a healthy work ethic, basic ability to persevere through repetitive process of learning and refining foundation skills, thrive in competition, manage winning and losing, participate in team practice and performance, listen actively & give and receive feedback.



Train to Train

Train to Compete

Train to Win

As an individual progresses through the stages, they develop the ability to participate in group decision-making, take on real leadership roles, manage conflict, develop goal setting skills, learn and employ advanced psychological techniques & manage time and stress.



Train to Win Train to Compete Train to Train Learn to Train **FUNdamentals Active Start**

All of these skills, cultivated in a sport setting, can directly contribute to effectiveness in a business/workplace setting.



LEADERSHIP QUEST (Day Camp)

Isolating leadership skill development, then integrating it into play

- Activities that emphasize leadership skill acquisition while also teaching/enhancing physical skill development
 - Use of debriefing
 - Rewarding healthy leadership behaviours (e.g. blindfold obstacle course and circuit)
 - Giving every child a chance to lead



| Phase | Leadership Development | Business Context |
|---|--|---|
| ACTIVE START | Build confidence & self-esteemBuild social skills | "Start to Lead"Speaking up at meetings |
| Introduction to basic leadership skills | Build emotional control | Taking on new tasksPositive interactions with co-workersAbility to control emotions |
| Introduce fundamental leadership skills | Introduce basic rules, tactics, decision making and ethics Develop motivation Continue to build confidence and develop a strong self-esteem Continue to build social skills and emotional control | "Leadership Fundamentals" Work ethically, follow rules Use tactics and decision making Self-motivate to accomplish tasks Demonstrate confidence and self-esteem that furthers leadership Social skills and emotional control are asset to work environment |



| Phase | Leadership Development | Business Context |
|---|--|--|
| LEARN TO TRAIN | Encourage enthusiasm and personal sense of success | "Learn to Lead" • Positive delivery of enthusiasm |
| Development of leadership skills | Training vs winning, participation in healthy competition Develop rules, tactics, decision making and ethics | and personal success Ability to participate in healthy competition Demonstrate ethical behavior and be rewarded for it Demonstrate ability to implement tactics & decision making |
| TRAIN TO TRAIN Begin consolidation and continue development of leadership skills | Begin to consolidate understanding of rules, tactics, decision making and ethics Winning as a secondary emphasis Learn to cope with the physical and mental challenges | "Train to Lead" Demonstrate ability to successfully follow and implement rules, tactics, decision making and ethics resulting in advancement |



| Leadership Development | Business Context |
|---|---|
| Inclusion of competitive situations in the form of practice | Ability to demonstrate personal best work vs focusing on "winning" |
| Competition used to develop strategic/tactical understanding | Capability to manage the mental challenges and work load Ability to practice strategies/tactics & handle competitive situations |
| Consolidation of understanding of rules, tactics, decision making and | "Lead to Compete"Competent at successfully upholding |
| ethics | rules and ethics and implementing |
| Commitment to high-volume high- intensity training/work | tactics and decision making resulting in leadership/mentorship roles |
| Optimum preparation by striving to deliver consistent high performance & assess oneself | Ability to undertake high-volume, high-intensity work |
| | Inclusion of competitive situations in the form of practice Competition used to develop strategic/tactical understanding Consolidation of understanding of rules, tactics, decision making and ethics Commitment to high-volume high-intensity training/work Optimum preparation by striving to deliver consistent high |



Leadership Development Business Context Phase TRAIN TO COMPETE Learn mental performance, Ability to deliver consistent high recovery, regeneration skills quality work & results Ability to assess and address • Maximize physical, mental, (Cont'd) cognitive and emotional capacities personal strengths and weaknesses Learn to compete at the highest Maximize mental, cognitive and emotional capacities related to work level with winning as a major focus Learn how to handle distractions. Ability to compete in the business world at the highest level of elite performance Ability to handle distractions present in the business world



Phase

Leadership Development Business Context

TRAIN TO WIN

Refining leadership skills to win

- Complete consolidation and optimization of skills, rules/tactics, capacities, decision making and ethics to realize full potential
- High-intensity training to win, performance outcomes first priority
- Ability to produce consistent elite performances on demand
- Ability to adapt to different environments and distractions
- Highly structured and intense training environments
- Training/working to peak/deadline
- Preparing to transition from "field of play" to "field of work"

"Lead to Win"

- Leader in the implementation of rules, ethics, tactics, and decision-making
- Delivery of high-intensity work with high performance expectations
- Ability to produce consistent influential work at peak performance to critical deadlines
- Ability to adapt to different business environments and distractions
- Performance in highly structured and intense work environments
- Ability to transition from one role to another (change in job, career, etc.)



CANADIAN SPORT POLICY, 2012

CORE PRINCIPLES

VALUES BASED:

"All sport programs are valuesbased, designed to increase ethical conduct and reduce unethical behaviour."



CANADIAN SPORT POLICY, 2012

SPORT FOR DEVELOPMENT

POLICY GOAL & OBJECTIVE:

- Sport is used as a tool for social and economic development, and the promotion of positive values at home and abroad.
- The development of athletes as leaders and role models in sport and society is supported.



BUSINESS WORLD ETHICS

- Large corporations typically outline ethical behaviours in HR processes and guiding documents which are sometimes integrated into performance reviews or incentive programs
- Success achieved through ethical means is rewarded (ideally)
- Good corporate citizenship can transform communities



CONCLUSION

- Promote sport as leadership development tool as "our power to change the world for good."
- What else can we do to better/more intentionally isolate then integrate these concepts?
- In our already time-resource strapped sport contexts, how can we help coaches adopt these practices?

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Comments?
Requests?

