HOW THE IDEAL TEAM PLAYER CAN HELP YOU OVERCOME THE FIVE DYSFUNCTIONS OF A TEAM

TEAMWORK IS THE ULTIMATE COMPETITIVE ADVANTAGE

IDEAL TEAM PLAYERS possess a combination of three essential virtues—humility, hunger and people smarts—that enable teamwork and make it more likely members can overcome the five dysfunctions that derail teams.

HUMBLE team members are able to be vulnerable, engage in honest conflict and hold others accountable. They define success collectively, commit to team goals and do not value status or ego.

HUNGRY team members are willing to engage in uncomfortable conflict and hold others accountable. They will go above and beyond to achieve results and are always contemplating the next step.

SMART team members understand group dynamics and can tactfully engage in productive conflict. They have good interpersonal skills and tend to understand how to deal with others in the most effective way.

IDEAL TEAM PLAYERS...

- Share accomplishments with everyone and leave their egos at the door.
- Hold their colleagues accountable, always strive to learn and do more and constantly look toward the next opportunity.
- Commit to team goals and do whatever is necessary to accomplish objectives.
- Do and say the right things to help teammates feel appreciated and understood, even when difficult situations arise.
- Build trusting relationships by being open and accessible.

THE FIVE DYSFUNCTIONS OF A TEAM

- Inattention to Results
- Avoidance of Accountability
- Lack of Commitment
- Fear of Conflict
- Absence of Trust

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