

## **Law 11: Role Model ~ Lead by Example!**

**Explanation of Law:** A Role Model is someone who either by example, behavior, actions, choices, or success, can and should be copied and duplicated by someone else. Typically this person is someone you want to be or has done/achieved something you want to but have not yet.

**Effects of Law:** This should be one of your first thoughts when teaching, coaching or working with younger students, “Am I being a role model for this child to watch and learn from?”. We have discussed a lot of different Laws to learn and practice to become a better version of yourself and one of the most important reasons to do this is to be a Role Model to younger kids. As Storm team members, you worked hard and became dedicated enough to join this elite team. You understand the rewards of being a member and you should want other students to rise up to join this elite team. With advanced belt ranks, cool Black Gi’s and patches, a lot of kids look up to you. Now that you have influence it’s even more important to act, behave, and make smart choices for your younger students to copy.

### **Examples of Law:**

1. Working on all the Laws will build your character so much that it will be near impossible not to be a role model, so get to work!
2. Being available to help any student with a skill, talent, or knowledge that you have uniquely done very well with.
3. Not getting in trouble and making good choices.
4. Having a lot of integrity (Law 6) for yourself.
5. Going out of your way to correct behavior outside of class that you see a child doing that’s incorrect.
6. Someone who is confident, positive and shows leadership skills.
7. A person who inspires others to do and become more for themselves.

**Ninja Tip:** You can even be a role model to your peers. Just be sure to be humble. Although they might have some qualities you admire, if you look close enough I’m sure they have some that you can admire back. Do not be shy to tell someone that you admire him or her and/or ask him or her how they did something that you haven’t yet.

**Law Training:** As a group, have everyone write down 3 celebrity role models that they admire and 3 personal role models that they do know (Dad, coach, etc). Next to each name add the quality or reason why they are your role models. Then share your reasons with the group. Lastly, have a discussion on what ways you can become like them and the qualities you can copy today that will help get you closer to attaining the reasons why you admire them.

**Conclusion:** Besides coaches, the Storm Team are role models to our students and it’s a big responsibility. Using your status as a Storm Team member can be used in many situations that can better the lives of not only our students but everyone around you.

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Telling someone to do or act in a good manner isn't good enough you must show them through your own decisions and actions. Don't talk the talk, but always walk the walk!