Personal Mission Statement

Write a statement of personal mission that communicates what is important to you and your goals as a member of the community. This is something that expresses your vision and guides your decisions. It isn’t meant to have specific tasks to complete or measurable goals. This mission statement should guide you beyond your experience with the current service-learning experience.

In order to form a mission statement, write some thoughts in response to each of the following questions:

1. What are some of your roles (son, friend, student, leader, etc.)?
2. What are some attributes that describe you (athlete, creative, funny, smart, etc.). Why are these important to you?
3. What are some of your values and beliefs?
4. What two words describe you the best?
5. For what issues would you like to be a change agent (your giving passion)?
6. What motivates you to take action?
7. What principles will guide your decisions (responsibility, citizenship, listening, honesty)?
8. How do you see yourself solving problems or handling conflict effectively?

Write a personal mission statement starting with the phrase “My mission is …”

Edit the statement until it is concise, honest, and uniquely yours. It should be about 5-7 sentences. Type a neat copy with correct grammar, style, and spelling.

Keep a copy of your mission statement to refer to and adjust periodically.