



## Parent Speaker Series

Since 2012, each year we partner with the Parents' Association to invite nationally acclaimed guest speakers and well-known authors, educators, and other professional experts to discuss today's relevant parenting issues. We strive to offer a balanced series that addresses a wide array of topics confronting parents and educators. Topics include health and wellness, resilience, digital citizenship, parenting styles, and more. Previous speakers include:

- **Dr. Christine Carter**, author of *The New Adolescence: Raising Happy and Successful Teens in an Age of Anxiety and Distraction* and *The Sweet Spot: How to Achieve More by Doing Less*.
- **Dr. David Gleason**, author of *"At What Cost? Defending Adolescent Development in Fiercely Competitive Schools."*
- **Rachel Simmons**, author and educator, presented on "Failing Well: Resilience & Courage"
- **Jim Steyer**, founder and CEO of Common Sense Media, author of *Talking Back to Facebook: A Common Sense Guide to Raising Kids in the Digital Age*
- **Beth Purdy**, mental health speaker and advocate, "Living, Surviving, and Thriving with Mental Illness"
- **Dr. Devorah Heitner**, author of *Screenwise: Helping Kids Thrive (and Survive) in Their Digital World* and blogger of "Raising Digital Natives"
- **Dr. Michele Borba**, author of *UnSelfie: Why Empathetic Kids Succeed in Our All-About-Me World*
- **Ron Lieber**, author of *The Opposite of Spoiled: Raising Kids Who Are Grounded, Generous, and Smart About Money*
- **Kevin Powell**, Humanitarian and author
- **Jessica Lahey**, *New York Times* bestselling author of *The Gift of Failure*
- **Ana Homayoun**, author of *That Crumpled Paper Was Due Last Week: Helping Disorganized and Distracted Boys Succeed in School and Life*
- **Joe Ehrmann**, former NFL football star, minister, and motivational speaker
- **Kevin Breel**, mental health activist and stand-up comedian, recognized for his TEDx talk entitled "Confessions of a Depressed Comic"
- **Rosalind Wiseman**, author of *Queen Bees and Wannabes: Helping Your Daughter Survive Cliques, Gossip, Boyfriends and the New Realities of Girl World*
- **Daniel Coyle**, journalist and *New York Times* bestselling author of *The Talent Code*
- **Matt Bellace**, author, psychologist, comedian, "Supporting Teens in Making Healthy Choices"
- **Richard Guerry**, expert on digital technology and digital consciousness
- **Dr. Sherry Turkle**, author of *Alone Together: Why We Expect More from Technology and Less from Each Other*
- **Dr. Wendy Mogel**, author of *Blessings of a Skinned Knee and Blessings of a B Minus*