

**Jason Wright** presents the school assembly **“Words As Weapons”**



***New York Times Bestselling Author, Columnist, Speaker***

“The impact Jason had on all of us; the kids, the parents and the staff was very powerful. Seldom is a message delivered so simply while making such a profound impact. All he required was three chairs and a microphone, yet he kept 200+ students at a time on the edge of their seats. His message is real, meaningful, and applicable to the lives of all who hear him. Nobody can walk away unchanged.”— Ms. Peg Liberatore, Rocky River Middle School

<b>Assembly Length:</b>	30-45 minutes ( <i>flexible based on school schedule</i> )
<b>Ideal Age Range:</b>	3 <sup>rd</sup> -8 <sup>th</sup> grade ( <i>can be adjusted to high schools</i> )
<b>Presentation Needs:</b>	Handheld microphone, duct tape, scissors, several chairs
<b>Costs:</b>	Negotiable, county and statewide contracts available
<b>Assembly Headline:</b>	Words are tools that if used improperly become weapons.

Using personal stories, humor and several visually striking and memorable object lessons, Jason teaches students that words are tools with many uses. Unfortunately, words are often misused and become dangerous weapons that create lasting wounds.

Schools are bombarded with a variety of assembly opportunities about the dangers of bullying. More than most, Jason’s presentation takes a nuanced approach to how we treat one another and the tremendous power of words. The audience will learn how one student in Jason’s childhood changed his life forever. It didn’t happen because of an inspirational speech, program or initiative, but by example.

Students will discover that kindness starts long before acts of service. Kindness is about the words we think, use and repeat. To change our behavior, we start with words.

**Bio:**

Jason Wright is the *New York Times* bestselling author of ten books, including *Christmas Jars*, *The Wednesday Letters*, and *The Seventeen Second Miracle*. His weekly columns appear in several major newspapers and web sites and he has spoken to thousands around the world of all ages and on many topics.

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