“Failure Is an Option”
A School Assembly by Jason Wright

New York Times Bestselling Author, Columnist, Speaker

“Jason Wright was a joy to have at our school and his message was so inspiring. We were impressed that he was so easily able to get the audience to pay attention for the entire 50-minute assembly with his stories. Plus, the students enjoyed being involved onstage! Jason’s smile and enthusiasm was contagious and the students loved meeting and hearing about his journey.” — Candace Wilson, FCCLA Adviser, Westlake High School

Assembly Length:	35 - 50 minutes *(This is flexible based on school schedule.)*
Ideal Grade Range:	Fifth – Twelfth
Presentation Needs:	Handheld microphone, projector, screen
Costs:	$1400 Full-day — This can include a teacher pep rally before school, several large group assemblies, classroom visits, lunch for a special group of students, writing workshops, parents’ program, etc.
	$700 Half-day — This can include any combination of programs.
	$350 School chooses one large group assembly.

The Story
Jason uses examples from famous failures throughout history before revealing his own impressive track record of falling short. Using self-deprecating humor and personal anecdotes, Jason teaches specific lessons he’s learned from some of his more entertaining failures. Perhaps most surprisingly, students will learn that Jason failed the 7th grade.

The world teaches that failure isn’t an option and that failure should make us stronger, tougher and more resilient. Jason believes this is a myth. Failure should make us more humble and sensitive. Failure shouldn’t speed us up; it should slow us down and invite us to listen.

Students will discover the greatness that comes from trying and failing, and how Jason owes his entire life to failure and the lessons he’s learned.

Author Bio
Jason Wright is the *New York Times* bestselling author of twelve books, including *Christmas Jars* and *The Wednesday Letters*. His columns appear in newspapers and on web sites and he has spoken in more than 40 states. He’s been seen on CNN, CBS, FoxNews and other networks.

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