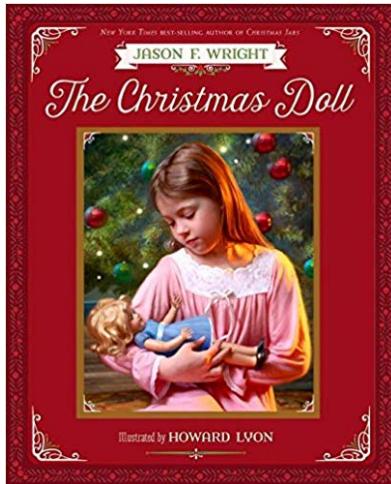


“The Christmas Doll”

A School Assembly by Jason Wright



New York Times Bestselling Author, Columnist, Speaker

“Jason has the ability to connect with people of all ages and backgrounds. His visit captivated our K-4th grade students with the perfect combination of humor, student involvement, and character education. Perhaps most impressive was watching Jason reach beyond the 800 students to personally connect with one particular child. He is a kind and gracious guest.” — David Stephenson, Traverse Mountain Elementary

Assembly Length: 35 - 50 minutes (*This is flexible based on school schedule.*)

Ideal Grade Range: First – Sixth

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

In 2017, Jason collaborated with Utah Jazz owner Gail Miller on *Courage to Be You* — her deeply personal memoir on family, faith, forgiveness and more. This fall, Jason shares another of Gail’s stories. *The Christmas Doll* is a picture book based on an experience from Gail’s humble childhood. Illustrated by Howard Lyon, we learn the story of a girl, a gift, and a new life. During his presentation, Jason will read the book and project the illustrations. He’ll also discuss the themes of kindness and fresh starts. Finally, he’ll issue a challenge every student and teacher will want to embrace. (*Despite the book title, this is not a religious presentation.*)

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“You Are Not Alone”

A School Assembly by Jason Wright



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"Jason brings a powerful message of kindness, empathy, and humanity to students in an entertaining and interactive way. His program keeps students engaged and focused on how the power of doing something positive, even something small, can have an exponential effect on someone." — Morgan M. Saeler, Principal, Peter Muhlenberg Middle School

Assembly Length: 35 - 50 minutes (*This is flexible based on school schedule.*)

Ideal Grade Range: Fifth – Ninth

Presentation Needs: Handheld microphone, one chair

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's father died when the author was a 16-year-old junior in high school. The experience left him lonely, confused, and isolated. A series of power experiences taught him a lesson he's never forgotten. *You are not alone!*

Students will be immersed in Jason's stories that are personal, emotional, and most importantly to audiences — *true*. They will be invited to think differently about one another and to look for opportunities every single day to help someone take off the blindfold and headphones and see the help that surrounds us. As in his other presentations, this program is highly-interactive and features two student-led object lessons that are unforgettable.

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“How a Boy Name Roy Changed the World”

A School Assembly by Jason Wright



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“The impact Jason had on 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 a dozen chairs and a microphone, yet he kept hundreds of students 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.” — Peg Liberatore, Rocky River Middle School

Assembly Length: 35 - 50 minutes (*This is flexible based on school schedule.*)

Ideal Grade Range: Third – Ninth

Presentation Needs: Handheld microphone, 13 chairs, scissors and duct tape

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

When Jason was a middle schooler in Charlottesville, Virginia, a series of school bus experiences changed his life forever. Using humor, heart, storytelling and volunteers as actors in his life story, Jason teaches the power of words to build and create greatness.

Schools are sometimes bombarded with presentations on bullying. Jason takes a more nuanced approach and speaks to this general theme without ever using that word. Instead, he invites students to connect the dots through object lessons and to find the message on their own. The audience witnesses how a boy named Roy impacted other students in a quiet and simple way, and not with an inspirational speech, special project or school program. At the conclusion of the program, a dozen students will stand and identify the Roys in their own lives.

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“The Seventeen Second Miracle Challenge”

A School Assembly by Jason Wright



New York Times Bestselling Author, Columnist, Speaker

“Jason was witty, fun, inspiring, motivating, and able to hold a room of High School Juniors, as well as Faculty and Administration, captivated by his stories. The students felt motivated to be better individuals and set the bar higher. It was an amazing experience our students will never forget. — Candice Belchik, Broad Run High School

Assembly Length: 35 - 50 minutes (*This is flexible based on school schedule.*)

Ideal Grade Range: Fifth – Ninth

Presentation Needs: Handheld microphone

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

We don’t always need parents or teachers to tell us when or how to perform mini-miracles in the lives of people around us. We simply need to have our eyes open to the opportunities.

Students will learn that life isn’t about big moments. It’s all about the few seconds we donate every day to serve one another. Dramatic scenes of service or sacrifice will not define our lives. Greatest is about today’s unscheduled acts of service — *the miracles*.

What are students doing *today* to make a difference? Opening a door? Befriending the new kid? We live in a me-first world. Jason understands this because he’s been a me-first person most of his life. This program will challenge students to think differently.

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“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.

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“Christmas Jars”

A School Assembly by Jason Wright



New York Times Bestselling Author, Columnist, Speaker

Assemblies with kindergarteners can be a painful experience. With Jason I soon realized I had nothing to worry about. He kept all of the students K-6 engaged, and his message had a lasting impact on both students and teachers at our school. Several students “wrote books” after his visit, and many were inspired to begin Christmas Jars with their families. — Angela Eckhardt, Larsen Elementary School

Assembly Length: 30 - 40 minutes (*This is flexible based on school schedule.*)

Ideal Grade Range: K - Sixth

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

Using humor and photos, Jason introduces himself and shares a few of the things he “wanted to be when he grew up.” Volunteers then stand in front of their peers and do the same.

Jason also reads his book, *Penny’s Christmas Jar Miracle*, as the illustrations are projected on a screen. At the conclusion, Jason asks questions and students learn that a jar of money given away anonymously can have a tremendous impact on both the givers and the receivers.

Finally, Jason explains that the best time to start a Christmas Jar is now. The earlier you start, the more you’ll have in your jar in December. Students, teachers and faculty are challenged to return home and present the idea to their families. This is not a religious presentation.

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“Publishing – How a Story Becomes a Book”

An Assembly by Jason Wright



New York Times Bestselling Author, Columnist, Speaker

Jason Wright came to Larsen Elementary school and talked to us about his book writing experience. He told us that when he was in fifth grade he told his teacher that he wanted to be an author. His teacher told him that it would be hard and that things wouldn't always go smoothly. He told us that his teacher was absolutely right. People discouraged him and made it hard on him, but he didn't want to give up. He inspired me to not give up! Jason has made some great children books and novels. I have actually read one of his books, it was amazing. I definitely have learned something from him. —Ashley, Age 10, Larsen Elementary School

Workshop Length: 35 - 50 minutes (*This is flexible based on school schedule.*)

Ideal Grade Range: Third – Eighth

Presentation Needs: Handheld microphone

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

Using student actors on stage, Jason takes a high-energy approach to demonstrating how an idea goes from a writer's imagination to a library or bookstore. Students learn about the role of editors, agents, publishers and more.

When time allows, Jason also introduces the students to Group Storytelling and using nothing but their imaginations, they create a story from thin air. He often leaves time for Q&A.

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“All Writing Is Storytelling”

Workshops by Jason Wright



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“After Jason’s visit to Spratley Gifted Center, one student said after his writer’s workshop, ‘I never thought I could really be a writer, but his comments about my writing made me believe I could actually be a writer in the future.’ Another said, ‘When reading our writing samples, he made each of us feel special.’ That’s exactly what Jason Wright did at our school; he made each of us feel that we are seen, valued, and capable of greatness, just what we strive to teach our students daily. — Alice Adams, Spratley Gifted Center

Workshop Length: 35 - 50 minutes (*This is flexible based on school schedule.*)

Ideal Grade Range: Third – Twelfth

Presentation Needs: Handheld microphone

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 owes his career to phenomenal teachers who believed in his ability to tell a story and he begins his workshops by focusing on a simple premise — all writing is storytelling.

Jason offers two workshop options. One centers on group storytelling and involves everyone in the room. Together they create an oral story that’s never been told in history. The other uses a unique writing prompt and allows time for students to write the first page of a short story. Jason then reads many of the stories aloud and finds magic in every single one.

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