

Parent Education

Parent Speaker Series

Each year, we proudly partner with the Parents' Association to invite nationally-acclaimed guest speakers and authors to campus to discuss and share relevant parenting topics. In past years, we have welcomed the following guest experts:

- **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**, bestselling 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**, nationally-acclaimed 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, bestselling author of Queen Bees and Wannabes: Helping Your Daughter Survive Cliques, Gossip, Boyfriends, and the New Realities of Girl World
- **Daniel Coyle**, renowned 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*

Community Book Discussions

Parents are invited to attend community book discussions led by our faculty members. Previous book discussions include:

- The Gift of Failure: How the Best Parents Learn to Let Go So Their Children Can Succeed, by Jessica Lahey
- Season of Life: A Football Star, a Boy, a Journey to Manhood, by Jeffrey Marx
- Queen Bees and Wannabes: Helping Your Daughter Survive Cliques, Gossip, Boyfriends, and the New Realities of Girl World, by Rosalind Wiseman
- The Talent Code, by Daniel Coyle
- Outliers: The Story of Success, by Malcolm Gladwell
- That Used to Be Us, by Thomas L. Friedman and Michael Mandelbaum
- The Blessing of a Skinned Knee and The Blessing of a B Minus, by Dr. Wendy Mogel
- The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks, by Rebecca Skloot