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Keynote Proposal

Determination & Duct Tape: Rise to any challenge with Resilience & Resourcefulness.

Abstract

Children dream of growing up to be astronauts, professional athletes, and veterinarians. Along life's way, frustration, complacency, and overwhelm often set in. These challenges affect many students and educators to the point that once-future surgeons find it safer to stop trying, act out, or quit those early, big goal pursuits.

I was born with one hand and taught myself to play guitar by building an adaptive guitar cast out of duct tape. Using materials I scrapped together from around the house, it took 8 years to build my cast the first time. Drawing from these stories and 23 years of music and business experience, my talk shares world-tested, tried-and-true concepts and hard-earned wisdom that students and educators will be talking (and singing) about long after we meet.

"Tony is by far the best speaker we've ever had at our school."

-Kristina Kuehl - Parent Teachers Association - Frisco, TX

Learning Objectives

- 1) 5 ways to shape your mindset on your toughest days.
- 2) Why's and Who's? PURPOSE! What's the worth in working hard, and who is it for?
- 3) Learn three keys to setting measurable goals and journaling the progress.

References

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