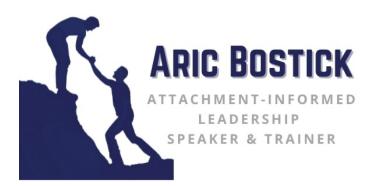
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# Aric Bostick Leadership Speaker & Trainer

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## Aric Bostick Leadership Speaker & Trainer

# FIRED UP! 2.0



7 Steps to Being a FIRED UP Educator

#### PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

Being in the education field is a calling, and not for the faint of heart. You have to be all in, all day, every day. But we sometimes get bogged down in the demands of achieving test scores, winning ball games, and the day-to-day challenges that students, teachers, counselors, administrators and parents face to just get along with each other.

The goal of education can be more than academic success; it can be about building relationships that go beyond the classroom and equal a lifetime of personal growth and cherished memories.

When educators and staff are truly engaged and love and respect their students, peers, and the parents they serve, they can move mountains together. It takes just one person to change a student's life. When the culture of a school is one of enthusiasm, commitment, and connection we can start a fire that can't be burned out.

The 7 FIRED UP Steps remind us of what **fueled** our fire to become an educator in the first place, we can **inventory** our strengths and what makes our school community worth working hard for, we can **reframe** our challenges, re**energize** your body, mind and spirit, **declare** our goals and intentions, better **understand** what our students, peers and leaders need from us each day and show up in the moment and bring our best selves with our secure **presence** to work each day.

As a former classroom teacher and sports coach, Aric Bostick understands the pressures and demands teachers face each day. Due to his own experience of being a burnt-out educator, he developed his signature FIRED UP! message to help educators keep the fire burning throughout the school year. After 2 decades of delivering this message on stages at conferences and in schools from coast to coast, he found it necessary to deepen his own understanding of what it really meant to be FIRED UP, and he created his FIRED UP! 2.0 message to uplift and reignite the fire within teachers and the entire school staff.

#### **7 STEPS TO BEING FIRED UP!**

FUEL: What Fuels Your Tank? Getting back to WHY you chose to be an Educator

**INVENTORY:** Take stock of the joys and benefits of the work that you do

**REFRAME:** Shift your perspective and attitude about the challenges you face

**ENERGY:** Create an energy plan that will keep your FIRE burning

DECLARE: What's Your Mission? What will you accomplish? How will you do it?

**UNDERSTAND**: Understand your place. Connection creates energy.

PRESENCE: SHOW UP and be where your feet are, and bring your presence to those you work with

#### **ABOUT ARIC BOSTICK**

Over the past 23 years, Aric has been an Education and Corporate Speaker and Trainer. He has spoken to over half a million people at conferences, events, and school districts from coast to coast. His audiences include students, educators, principals, superintendents and parents at School Districts and National, State, and Regional Education Conferences. He has also been an Employee Engagement Speaker for Corporations and Human Resources Conferences throughout United States and Canada.

During the course of his education career, as a High School teacher and coach, he created and led a student leadership club that was featured on television for its success. As a national speaker he created a summer leadership camp, an online professional development course for educators,



an online college readiness program for students, and a college readiness curricula for students.

Building on a professional interest in leadership and relationships in the workplace, He has spent the last several years studying an attachment-informed approach to leadership, drawing on the work of some of the leading academics in this emerging area of leadership theory and practice.

#### **Background**

Aric's 23 years in education and corporate leadership speaking and training can be seen as comprising three distinct phases:

**School teacher** (1998 to 2002) – During the first phase, starting in 1998, Aric learned what it was like to be a teacher and sports coach. During this time, he drew on his original teacher training, other specialist in-service training, and the support of more experienced educators and school leaders.

**National speaker** (2000 to present) – As a national speaker (Aric's 'Fired Up' program), he spoke to over half a million people (students, educators, HR Managers and corporate employees and executives) over an 18-year period. For this work, he drew on his own time in the classroom, an understanding of positive psychology (including CBT tools and techniques), and feedback from colleagues and clients. During this time, he became increasingly interested in the welfare of senior leaders in the corporate world and the welfare of school principals and superintendents in education, as well as the distinctive needs of educators in rural education settings.

Leadership trainer (2018 to present) – In 2018, Aric decided to combine his teaching and speaking experience with his interest in the welfare of education and corporate senior leaders, to create and start delivering a new range of training, based on the latest attachment and brain science (Aric's Attachment-informed Leadership program). Given his understanding of the distinctive needs of educational and corporate settings and their leaders (gained while working with them as a national speaker), he decided that he needed to strengthen the theoretical underpinning for his work. He did this by developing an understanding of modern attachment science (the quality and development of relationships over the life course), and interpersonal neurobiology (the neuroscience of attachment). During this time, he also started working with an attachment-informed leadership specialist.

#### **Client and Conference List**

#### **National Education Conferences:**

- Collaborative Conference for Student Achievement
- National Alternative Education Conference
- National Association Community Colleges Teacher Education Prep
- National Business Professionals of America Student Conference
- National Council for Community and Education Partnership Conference
- National Dropout Prevention Conference
- National Nutrition Conference

#### **State Education Conferences:**

- Adolescent Symposium Conference
- Arizona State School Nutrition Conference
- Association of Texas Professional Educators
- California FFA State Conference
- California State School Nutrition Conference
- Fort Bend ISD Peer Assisted Leadership Conference
- Franklin Covey 'Leader in Me' event Vicksburg, MS
- Georgia State Title 1 Conference
- Hawaii Teen Traffic Safety Conference
- Indiana State Student Council Conference
- Kentucky State School Nutrition Conference
- Maine School Nutrition Conference
- Montana State Title 1 Conference
- Northeast ISD Peer Assisted Leadership Conference
- Regional FCCLA Conferences held in Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Arizona and Texas.
- Tennessee Head Start
- Texas Association of Secondary School Principals Conference
- Texas Career and Technical Education Conference
- Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills Conference
- Texas GEAR UP Conference
- Texas Higher Education Human Resources Association Conference
- Texas School Safety Center Conference
- Texas State FCCLA Conference
- Texas State Peer Assisted Leadership Conference
- Texas State School Nutrition Conference
- West Coast GEAR UP Conference
- West Virginia GEAR UP Conference
- West Virginia School State Nutrition Conference
- Wisconsin FFA State Conference

#### Schools:

- Over 500 School Districts Nationwide
- Education Service Centers Nationwide

#### **Universities:**

- Bacchus and Gamma Area 5
- Bacchus and Gamma Area 6
- Bacchus and Gamma Area 7
- Bacchus and Gamma National Conference
- Bloomsburg University
- California University of Pennsylvania
- Clarion University
- Colorado Collegiate Tobacco Prevention Initiative Spring Conference
- East Stroudsburg University
- Edinboro University
- Florida State University Freshman Orientation Speaker for 22 nights

- Frostburg University
- Indiana University of Pennsylvania
- Kutztown University
- Lock Haven University
- Mansfield University
- Meeting of the Minds Partners in Prevention Conference
- Millersville University
- Park University
- People to People Ambassador Student Leadership Program held at: Harvard, Stanford, UCLA, Johns Hopkins University and George Washington University with students from 60 countries
- Roger Williams University
- Shippensburg University
- Slippery Rock University
- Sonoma State University
- Stockton College
- Tarleton State University
- Texas State University
- University of Nevada Reno
- University of Pittsburgh at Bradford
- University of Texas
- Wells College
- Wesley College
- West Chester University
- Young Harris University

#### **Corporate Clients:**

- Cellular Plus
- Cornerstone Credit Union
- Gold's Gym
- Houston Meeting Planners Association
- MedAmerica Billing Services
- Medical Management Association
- Meeting Planners International
- Mr. Rooter
- Practice Management Institute
- Society of Government Meeting Professionals
- South Florida Meeting Planners Association
- TransAmerica Investments & Insurance
- Travel Alberta Canada

#### **Human Resource Conferences:**

- Alabama State Society of Human Resource Professionals
- Austin Human Resource Management Association
- Central Texas Human Resource Management Association
- Corpus Christi Human Resource Management Association
- Human Resource Southwest Conference
- North Texas SHRM
- Permian Basin SHRM
- South Texas HR Symposium
- Texas Association of Higher Education Human Resources

#### Non-profit Clients:

- Child Care Associates
- Child Care Group
- Dallas Children's Medical
- Hospital
- Federal Bank Reserve of Chicago
- Pineland Behavioral and Developmental Disabilities
- United States Equal Employment Opportunity Commission – Fair Employment Practice Agencies – National Conference

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#### **TESTIMONIALS**

#### **Education Testimonials**

"At an elementary school, it seems impossible to engage a speaker that will be able to appeal to the wide range of ages, inspire the faculty and staff, and have a message so powerful that kids encourage their parents to bring them back to school to hear him again in the evening. However, that is exactly what happened when we spent a full day with Aric Bostick! The morning programs, the leadership workshops, and a family event, in the evening, left our students, staff and their families Fired Up! And ready to tackle this school year- and life- head on!"

-Angela Kunkel, VP of Programs, Shafer PTA

"In one word, Aric Bostick is: AWESOME. From his fast-talking, high-energy, get-you-moving, can't stop laughing antics to his real-life, personal, touching story about being "that kid," Aric Bostick is exactly who your school needs. Get ready to feel motivated, inspired and awesome."

-Leslie Garza, Public Information Officer, Harlandale ISD

"Aric's visit was truly inspirational for our students, staff, and parents. All of Aric's interactions with our community was genuine, energetic and just what we needed to spark the flame to FIRE US UP! Aric's words of encouragement are truly inspirational. His visit is one to remember! Thank you to you and all of Aric's team. He is LEGENDARY, and I know his team is too!"

-Lesley Austin, Principal, Maypearl Jr. High School

"Aric's presentation was so fabulous that I am still hearing staff comment on what an impact his presentation had on them professionally and personally. Our staff members are actually holding each other accountable for their attitudes and behaviors. We have never had a speaker have such an impact on our staff."

-Tammy Lemoine, Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum and Instruction and Special Programs, Center ISD

"Aric's presentation is life-changing and inspiring!! He is one of a kind!! The energy that he gives is contagious!!" -Vicki Guillory, Assistant Principal, Tisinger Elementary

"Aric Bostick is honest, speaks from the heart, and connects on all levels regarding education! After his presentation many of our participants were moved to tears because they recognized things that they needed to change in both their personal and professional lives. If you need to be reminded about why you chose education as your career or WHY education is so important to our workforce and communities then you must invite Aric to your school or community event."

-Kimberly Tobey, Director, National Association of Community College Teacher Education Programs (NACCTEP)

"Aric presented as a keynote speaker to over 1,000 staff members in East Aurora School District 131 for a special Institute Day focused on staff wellness—body, mind, and spirit. His presentation was simply electrifying! This was not only due to his high-spirited approach to "fire up" the staff, but also due to his comprehensive preparation before the event. He spent several hours listening to an overview of the state of the District and the needs of the staff and seamlessly wove those ideas into a presentation that was unforgettable. Throughout the day, the staff lined up to speak with him, have their books signed, and to hear his additional words of wisdom. The shared sentiment was that Aric was one of the best presenters they have ever seen!"

-David Brusak, School Improvement Director, East Aurora School District 131

"Because Aric has been in the education field, he can relate to the teacher working in the classroom day in and day out. He knows the struggles and the blessing that go with this profession and he gives the teachers inspiration and motivation to continue to do what they love, making a difference in a child's life."

-Diana Ferguson, Executive Director, TIVA

"Aric became an instant hit with our child care teachers and staff. He as them "Fired Up" to greet our incoming preschoolers for the new school year. His presentation was lively, interactive and inspiring. Many staff stated that he changed their perspective and outlook on life."

-Bob Duke, Child Care Associates - Interim President and CEO

"Aric's genuine love for the educator community and his shared mission for what we all do comes across at every moment of his presentation. It's this passion more than anything that gets us all Fired Up!"

-Johanna Hoyo, Gear Up Coordinator, Manor ISD Office of Federal Programs

"Aric is so easy to work with! It was a very simple process to get Aric on our campus! I have never seen our employees so engaged with a speaker or with each other! Aric is what we needed!! We have heard from several employees who have said that Aric is the best guest speaker we have ever had!!" -Jenny Keener, HR Assistant, Western Nebraska Community College