**PREPARING FOR ANDY AT YOUR CONFERENCE**

1. A quality sound system with 1 microphone. I need a music notes stand and a chair.
2. NO SCREEN OR PROJECTOR REQUIRED. I do not use Power Point.
3. Please email me the schedule for the day as soon as possible so I can prepare my programs for your day. I enjoy being as busy as possible during your event.
4. Please include the address to the conference site and note anything special about the room location and parking arrangements.
5. Do you require a photo and Bio on me for your program? My website under the Downloads tab has a bio, presentation content and profile photos. It is also below.
6. Please include my website in your program manual and promotional materials.
7. I have handouts for my leadership workshops. I can provide them ahead of time and you can print and include them in your program manual OR make them available as PDF downloads on your event website.
8. I will report to the conference at least 45 minutes prior to the presentation time. Please have someone available to greet me.
9. I have accommodated audiences in all seating situations: chairs, bleachers, floor: 25 to 1500 students.
10. Please have a name tag and schedule available for me upon arrival. If there is a conference shirt, I would enjoy wearing it. My size is medium.
11. My introduction is below.
12. The keynote and workshop length is completely flexible to your schedule. I will adjust all of my programs to fit your needs. I look forward to discussing your program and meeting your needs.
13. Do you have a conference theme? Please share ahead of time and I will include it in my program.
14. Is there a dress code for a special meal that I may be attending? Anything else I should know before I arrive?
15. IMPORTANT: When I arrive at the conference, please have a listing of all attending schools and their teacher advisors ready for me. I use this in the course of my program as I involve the different schools. It also helps in the follow up for my program. If this list would include work emails, that would be appreciated. If not, just a list of schools would be appreciated.
16. To contact me at any time use my cellular at **519-851-3014 or email** [**andyspeaks@rogers.com**](mailto:andyspeaks@rogers.com)

**Andy Thibodeau’s Conference Introduction**

**Our guest speaker today is Andy Thibodeau (Tib o dough) Andy** looks like he’s 29 years old, but he’s actually 46! Since 1992 Andy has delivered thousands of fun presentations to schools and conferences across North America. Millions of people have seen him speak in all 10 provinces, the Yukon and 40 US states.

Andy has lived his entire life in London, Ontario. He has his History degree from King's College at Western University. Andy was a student leader throughout his time in school. In elementary school he was the student council vice president, in high school he was student president and in university he was the Orientation week coordinator. Much Music named his high school the “Most Spirited In Canada” in 1989 when he was student president.

Andy’s best friends are his wife Elizabeth and daughters Torry and Isla (eye la). **Please welcome, Andy!**

**ANDY’S BIO AND PRESENTATION SUMMARIES FOR YOUR YOUTH CONFERENCE PROGRAM AND WEBSITE.**

**Please copy and paste these summaries into your promotional materials.**

**NOTE: Andy has several workshop choices. Ensure that the workshop summaries that you add to your program match the workshop choices that you booked with Andy.**

**Andy Thibodeau IMPACT Presentations**

**Andy Thibodeau** was called “Mr. School Spirit” by King’s at Western University when they named him alumni of the year in 2014. This passion for leadership and school spirit started in elementary school when Andy successfully ran for student council Vice President. From organizing dances in grade 8, pep rallies in high school and orientation week in University, Andy’s enthusiasm for youth leadership led to his unique career of inspiring students and staff across the continent.

Since 1992, Andy has delivered thousands of fun inspirational presentations to schools and conferences across North America. Over two million people have seen him speak in all 10 Canadian provinces, the Yukon and 40 US states. Each year over 160 schools, conferences and charities are IMPACTED by his messages.

Andy lives in his hometown of London with his wife and two daughters. He has his History degree on the dean’s honour list from King’s College at Western University. Andy empowers student leaders because he was always an active student leader: Student Council VP in elementary school, Student Council President at Sir Wilfrid Laurier Secondary, and Orientation Week coordinator in University. A highlight of his student leadership career was when Much Music named his high school the “Most Spirited School in Canada” while he was president.

You can reach Andy’s Impact Presentations at www.andypresentations.com www.youtube.com/andyspeaks Facebook: Andy Thibodeau Impact Speaker

**PRESENTATION SUMMARIES:**

**Andy’s Conference Presentation Summaries:**

1. **"Care Starts with ME!" – Andy’s Student Leadership Conference Keynote**

Negativity can kill the enthusiasm for leadership. In this hilarious and life-changing program, Andy gives youth leaders effective strategies for dealing with negativity while inspiring care. Andy reminds leaders that, *"Care is contagious, but as a leader, it has to start with ME!"* From his own school leadership experiences, he offers realistic, easy-to-implement insights that will motivate your team!

1. **"The Impact of Teachers” – A Keynote or Workshop for Teachers**

Andy is the teaching profession’s #1 fan because of the difference teachers have made in his life. It also helps that he married a high school French teacher! This program is an empowering reminder to school staff about the difference they make with youth.

In October of grade 9, Andy received a letter from his high school’s track and field coach “recruiting” him to be part of the team. That letter changed his life. Expect tears of laughter and powerful reflection as Andy shares the lessons he learned from Coach Young and his efforts to connect with students.

**Andy’s Workshops For Conferences**

1. **"Making Care Contagious" – Andy’s Student Leadership Workshop**

School Spirit is caring, but how do leaders make this care contagious? This presentation draws from Andy’s experiences as a student leader and as a speaker traveling North America. He has developed 5 Habits that form the core of all successful student leadership activities. This hilarious and high-energy workshop gives hands-on advice on handling negativity; dealing with rejection; having the courage to be an example of good decisions; effective appreciation; communicating care; and improving event promotion and attendance.Follow Andy's 5 Habits to "get your care, out there!"

The session includes games and activities that can be shared with your school at your next meeting or assembly.

1. **“Can I Count on You?" – Improving the Reliability of your leadership team**

Execution of ideas is the number one challenge for young leaders organizing events. This session will immediately improve the ability of your team to work together and improve their organization skills.

This session addresses the concepts of time management from a unique perspective. Trust is the foundation for loving families, fun friendships, spirited students' councils, successful businesses, and effective leaders. Yet people earn the trust of another by being reliable. Andy offers useful and immediately applicable advice for improving reliability. Through his insights, Andy demonstrates how increased reliability improves one's time management, creates successful events, and inspires TRUST in leaders!

With all student leaders and teachers balancing their time between school, family and work commitments, this program can transform how your team organizes their priorities!

1. **“Let’s Talk!” - Effective Communication Skills for Youth Leaders**

Get "excited" about your next speaking opportunity! This session draws on Andy’s massive speaking experience, ranging from high school pep rallies and university orientation weeks to adult programs across North America. He offers realistic insights on: overcoming the fear (and how it is linked to self-esteem), putting more "you" into all of your communication, using the power of the positive, and how to visualize your improved speaking performances. Andy’s ideas are applicable whether you're communicating with one person or one thousand.

1. **“Making Care Contagious” – Andy’s Workshop for Staff Advisors**

Andy has developed a special version of his “Making Care Contagious” program that is specifically directed towards the needs of Student Activity Advisors and leadership teachers. The presentation empowers adult leaders with the tools to teach the 5 Habits of Care to their students. He also shares numerous activities and events that schools can run that support the 5 Habits to “get your care, out there!”

1. **“Can I Count You?” – A Workshop on Reliability for Staff Advisors.**

Andy has developed a special version of his “Can I Count on You” program that is specifically directed towards the Student Activity Advisors and leadership teachers. The presentation empowers adult leaders with the tools to teach reliability skills to students. Execution of ideas is the number one challenge for young leaders organizing events. This session will immediately improve the ability of your team to work together and improve their organization skills.