



Meet **JACK BERCKEMEYER**

A nationally recognized presenter, author, and humorist, Jack Berckemeyer began his career as a middle school teacher in Denver, Colorado. After only two years, he was recognized as the outstanding educator at his school and in his district. Then in 2003, Jack received the Outstanding Alumni Award from the Falcon School District. Jack has also served as a judge for the Disney American Teacher Awards and has served on the selection committee for the USA TODAY All-Teacher Team. Jack has a master's degree in Middle Level Education as well as an administrator's degree.

For 13 years, Jack served as the Assistant Executive Director for the National Middle School Association. He is the owner of Berckemeyer Consulting Group where he has presented in hundreds of school districts and conference settings both nationally and internationally. Jack is known not only for his keynotes and workshops but is also highly regarded as one of the best long-term professional developers in the country. Jack is best-practice focused and research-based. He is in high demand and enjoys working with districts that truly want to see measurable changes. As the owner and director of *NUTS and BOLTS—the Never Boring Conference for Educators* Jack brings conferences for educators to a whole new level of engagement by focusing on best practices, and offering realistic and practical hands-on tools to increase success for educators, schools and students.

He is the author of *Managing the Madness: A Practical Guide to Middle Grades Classrooms*; *Taming of the Team: How Great Teams Work Together*; *How to Do Virtual Teaching Even If You Have a Face for Radio*; and numerous educational articles. In addition, he is the lead author of the comprehensive professional development curriculum: *Elements of Effective Teaming*. Jack has also co-authored *Deliberate Optimism: Reclaiming the Joy in Education* (with Debbie Silver and Judith Baenen); *The What, Why, and How of Student-Led Conferences* (with Patti Kinney), and *H.E.L.P. for Teachers* (with Judith Baenen). His latest book, *Successful Middle School Teaming*, was released fall of 2022 and is the companion guide to, *The Successful Middle School: This We Believe*.

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