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Literacy Across the Curriculum with Powerful, Proven Pedagogy: Reaching Capable but Disengaged Kids

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(Registration begins at 7:30 a.m.)
Chaminade University, Ching Conference Center in Eiben Hall
Light refreshments & lunch included

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Keynote: Powerful pedagogy has proven to be a game changer for many students’ lives (particularly the fragile lives of capable but disengaged students classified as being “at risk”). Using a research-based approach to elevating student achievement, this session will illuminate how to create a literacy-based instructional environment where passion meets grit, rigor meets high expectations and student engagement meets fidelity to efficacious academic aims.

Session 1: Using Humor, Music, Poetry and Scaffolds to Write Across the Disciplines and Make Pedagogy Powerfully Connect

Session 2: Providing textual evidence to support written claims across the disciplines brings unique challenges to the table for both students and instructors. The goal of this session is to provide "take-away" tools immediately usable for application in the classroom (as well as the theory behind these research-based best practices). Engendering success for participants is the primary aim.

Session 3: Close Reading with Reluctant Readers: Teaching students how to Chunk, Re-Read, Provide Textual Evidence and Build Academic Stamina. Today’s academic standards place a premium on close reading, re-reading and providing textual evidence to support claims. With these ambitious aims come heightened challenges across all domains of literacy (including, but not limited to, ELA classrooms). The goal of this session is to provide research-based, "take-away" tools that are immediately usable.

Alan Lawrence Sitomer is a California Teacher of the Year award winner and the founder of The Writer’s Success Academy. In addition to having been an inner-city high school English teacher and former professor in the Graduate School Of Education at Loyola Marymount University, Mr. Sitomer is a nationally renowned keynote speaker who specializes in engaging underperforming students. To date, Mr. Sitomer has authored 20 books.