

# NELMS and NMSA Announce that...



## *Jack is Back!*

### **Improving Student Learning Through Passion and Humor**

*You really need this event to help us face the challenges we have.*

*Another High Energy, Inspirational Two Days with  
Jack Berckemeyer*

May 6 & 7, 2009 in Durham, NH at the New England Center on the UNH campus

### ***Register early, we are expecting another sellout!***

*We are fortunate to have this nationally known educator/presenter who combines an engaging presentation style with meaningful content. In New England, Jack has presented at many state conferences and the NELMS Annual Conference numerous times. He returns to New England after rave reviews from last year's event!*

#### **May 6th**

#### **Middle Level Education- Living it, Loving it, and Laughing about it.**

Middle Level Education, Living it, Loving it, and Laughing about it, is based on the foundations of National Middle School Association's *This We Believe*. Being able to connect with young adolescents is critical to the success of any educator or administrator. Topics such as being committed to this age group, the importance of being an adult advocate and new methods of classroom management will be discussed. Real stories will be shared along with practical advice for teachers and administrators. Humorous experiences, classroom examples, and the importance of teaching young adolescents are the focus of this inspirational keynote session that makes everyone realize how important being in a middle school can be for teachers, principals, and students.

#### **Understanding Adolescents and Management Strategies That Work**

Being able to figure out the inner workings of adolescents is key to being a great middle school teacher. Come discover helpful teacher tips on how to relate to young adolescents. Share and apply teaching ideas that meet the needs of middle school students. This session will also provide practical ideas to help with classroom management and behavioral issues from structuring your room to methods for getting a class to simmer down. Connect with your students and discover new ways to relate to them that will surely improve learning.

#### **May 7th**

#### **Teaming and the Middle Level Teacher**

Are you looking for ways to enhance your teaming situation? Are you struggling with consensus, conflict, and team use of time? Do you need some practical teaming ideas that you can implement with your team? Do you want to get past the team organizational "stuff" and into the team learning "stuff"? If you answered yes to any of these questions, Jack can help you!

#### **"Student Led Conferences - The Sure Bet"**

This presentation is designed for those of you that are interested in developing, implementing, and/or sustaining student led conferences. Practical tips on how to get started will be shared. Handouts that contain scripts for the students and ideas on how to implement a student led conference will also be shared. Attending this session will give you an understanding of student led conferences and all of the tools to make it effective.

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## Improving Student Learning Through Passion & Humor

May 6 & 7, 2009

The New England Center, University of NH, Durham, NH

May 6, 2009–Registration 8:30 a.m.–9:15 a.m.

Jack from 9:15 a.m.–2:45 p.m.

May 7, 2009–Jack from 9:00 a.m.–2:30 p.m.

Jack Berckemeyer is the Assistant Executive Director for National Middle School Association. Before moving to Columbus, Ohio, from Denver, Colorado, Jack taught at the middle level at Scott Carpenter Middle School and at Thunder Ridge Middle School. During his years as a teacher, Jack taught various subjects including; language arts, social studies, health, expression skills, and physical education. He was named outstanding educator after two years of teaching at Scott Carpenter Middle School. Jack has presented to school districts around the country on middle level topics. He has also presented at many international conferences. Jack is known for his practical teaching ideas that involve and motivate young adolescents.

Graduate credit available.

Registration costs include coffee, tea, continental breakfast, lunch, and all prepared materials.

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Non-Member per person	\$245	\$275	



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