Ask yourself what is really important, and then have the wisdom and courage to build your life around your answer.

# What will you get at the CT Student Leadership Conference?

Inspiration – 3 National Speakers each walking the walk and putting their own unique talents, abilities and leadership into their passions and making a tangible, dramatic difference in the world.

Tools – 21<sup>st</sup> Century Skill specific workshops designed to strengthen your ability and resolve to bring your unique talents and leadership to their true potential. Communicate clearly, collaborate with others across barriers and in diverse groups, and think creatively and work creatively with others.

**Resources** – information and ideas for projects, learning and development. Connection to a large network of student leaders and adult advisors to support your growth and future initiatives.

#### When? Friday, Nov. 20<sup>th</sup> 9:30am thru Saturday, Nov. 21<sup>st</sup> 1:30pm

Where? East Hartford, CT

Conference begins at the **Community Cultural Center**, 50 Chapman PI, East Hartford, CT 06108. Late afternoon, evening and Saturday sessions will be held at **EHHS/CIBA** and overnight stay will be at the **Holiday Inn Downtown Hartford Area**.

# Cost?

#### **Conference Only**

\$90 per person (Student & Advisor)

## **Conference with Overnight Stay**

Student - \$120 per student (quad occupancy)

Advisor - \$120 per advisor (shared room) \$150 per advisor (single room)

## Registration? www.casciac.org/slcregister.shtml

All registrations should be made through your school or by your advisor. Registration Deadline is Oct. 30<sup>th</sup>.





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# STUDENTS!

# FIND YOUR PASSION AND TAKE ACTION!!



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Keynote – Mike Smith on Leaving a legacy - Leadership Everyone has the capability to be a leader. It takes courage and passion, and sometimes you have to be uncomfortable, but we can all do it. You're leaving a legacy on this world whether you realize it or not. What you do with your life will boil down to one question: what do you want to be remembered for?

#### **Mike Smith**

So there's this kid. He lives in the small town of Imperial, Nebraska. He's got a 2.4 GPA. He's a bit of a troublemaker. To top it off, his name is Mike Smith. Sounds like your average, ordinary kid, right? Wrong.

In his senior year of high school, Mike realized that being ordinary was a choice. Since then, Mike has never stopped believing that he can do whatever he puts his mind to. That hard work, dedication, and the reckless pursuit of his passions can turn his life into something extraordinary that he is the only one who can control his legacy. For over a decade, Mike has done just that...and he's never looked back. Chris Temple - Co-Founder of Living on One & Award-Winning Documentary Filmmaker

## **Chris Temple**

From living in a tent in a Syrian refugee camp to working as radish farmers and surviving on one dollar a day in Guatemala, Chris Temple (and Zach Ingrasci) are pioneering a new style of documentary film-making, using immersive storytelling to raise awareness and inspire action around pressing global issues. Their work has raised over \$490,000 directly for micro-finance loans, education scholarships, and refugee services around the world.

Through extensive use of video, personal stories, and professional experience, Chris will help you build empathy for others around the world, achieve a sense of gratitude for the opportunities at your fingertips, discover your passion, and equip yourself with the tools you need to create change in the world around you. Small efforts make big impacts, both in your life, and in the lives of those around you. Andrew Peterson has proven the skeptics wrong time and time again.

## **Andrew Peterson**

Born with Fetal Alcohol Syndrome, Andrew lived in foster care and wasn't expected to walk or talk normally. All that changed when Craig Peterson adopted Andrew and his three siblings. Although learning was never easy, Andrew always tried his best. Upon running his first 3K race at age nine, he found a niche.

Andrew developed into an accomplished distance runner; earning varsity letters in hs and winning gold medals in state competitions. At the 2014 Special Olympics National Games, Andrew brought home three gold medals – running personal bests of 4:47 in the 1500M and 10:22 in the 3000M. He joined the Special Olympics Athlete Leadership Program and has since addressed over 60,000 hs students about respect and ability.

Andrew was a feature story of Runner's World magazine – inspiring thousands of families and giving them hope for their own children.