

University Students –

David Bouchard - *Order of Canada/Senior Editor for Rubicon and Pearson Publishers/Métis Author/Educator/Renowned conference speaker* - speaks to *university* students.

“Reading is the most important gift a teacher can give his or her students because it is key to success in and out of school. It is the responsibility of every teacher to insure that those under their care are given the gift of reading. The only way to give that gift is to be a reader. If you have chosen to become an educator, you have to be a reader.”

David has shared this important message with universities across Canada: Bishop’s, McGill, York, Oise, UBC, Brandon...

David inspires and provides valuable insight and strategies:

1. Why is reading the most important gift we can give our students?
2. What does it take to become a reader?
3. How do teachers give their students the gift of reading?

David inspires listeners through touching personal experiences both as a father and a teacher.

David challenges listeners. Are they reading the books their students are reading? How does a physical education teacher find time to inspire students to become readers? How do challenged students learn to read?

Listeners will come to understand their role in giving the gift of reading.

David’s message is clear:

“You cannot hope to light a fire in the hearts of your students unless you have a fire burning in your own heart. Light your fire and let literacy become your legacy!”