



*K-12 Teachers Alliance Featured Presenter:*

# Eric Combs

## Presentation Topics

- CLASSROOM MANAGEMENT
- DIFFERENTIATED INSTRUCTION
- ANTI-BULLYING

## Biography

2006 Ohio Teacher of the Year Eric Combs combines his military background with a passion for education.

After retiring from a 20-year career in the US Air Force, Combs instructed Air Force Junior ROTC and attended the University of Dayton with the Troops to Teachers program to obtain his teaching license. He taught Social Studies within a school program developed to help 9th grade at-risk students adapt to high school life and improve their academic skills.

Combs is a 4-time *Who's Who Among American Teachers* honoree, in addition to being named Teacher of the Year and winning several other awards for his impact in education.

Currently an assistant principal in Ohio, Combs shares his successful instruction strategies with educators as an adjunct professor, a national director and certified instructor for the Center for Teacher Effectiveness, and an educational consultant. Combs trains educators on classroom management, lesson planning, dealing with at risk students and teacher leader programs.

## Academic & Professional Qualifications

- M.S. degree in Education – University of Dayton, OH
- M.Ed. degree in Educational Leadership – Antioch University McGregor, OH
- 10 years teaching experience:
  - Subject: Social Studies/History
  - Grade levels: 9-12, At-risk Program
- 2006 Ohio Teacher of the Year
- 4-time honoree in *Who's Who Among American Teachers*
- Adjunct faculty member – Wright State University and Antioch University McGregor
- Previous clients:
  - Center for Teacher Effectiveness
  - National Association of State Directors of Teacher Education and Certification
  - Arkansas Department of Education
  - Kentucky Department of Education
  - The Ohio State University

*"(Using Eric's techniques) I was able to calm my class down and really, calm myself down. It's been two years since I have honestly considered leaving the teaching field. Now, I love getting back into my classroom!"*

— Donna, Ohio

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