

SPEAKING

Schedule Brian today to speak to your parents, educators or civic group

As a respected educator, Brian Burgess has garnered national media attention for his successful track record developing "alternative" schools for troubled teens in New Zealand and the U.S. Brian's rich history of working with kids of all ages easily qualifies him as one of the foremost child behavior experts today.

PRACTICAL PARENTING

Knowing and communicating your family's values lays the foundation for peace in your home. Clear and consistent rules and expectations aligned with these values are the key: If what you say is what will happen EVERY TIME, children will adapt, helping you to keep the peace and avoid having to discipline children all the time.

I FEEL LIKE I'M FAILING

You want to know the secret to staying cool and consistent with your kids when the going gets tough? This talk provides valuable insight into what makes kids tick, what they say they want from a parent vs. what they *really* want from a parent, and strategies for seeing the most difficult behaviors through to a "win-win" conclusion.

BLENDED FAMILIES & THE UNCONVENTIONAL HOME

Where there are reconstituted families, single parent families and adopted children, it is important that parents understand /recognize:

- The fears and insecurities that a change in family structure imposes on their children
- What they need to provide, to create security within the family structure and, where possible, the child's surrounding community.
- How to discipline someone else's children
- The fears of insecurity of an adopted child
- Single parents: Becoming both mother and father

Practical Parenting. Extraordinary Kids.



The value of Brian's work with students and their families is immeasurable. I know of no better person than Brian to provide counsel for young people and their parents as they attempt to navigate through the difficult issues related to discipline.

Jim Overstreet
Coordinator of Student
Disciplinary Referrals,
*Metropolitan Nashville Public
Schools*

Brian Burgess is a positive, energetic communicator with the ability to inspire and motivate those around him.

Clay Myers
Executive Principal,
Hunters Lane High School
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PRACTICAL PARENTING SEMINAR

How do you help your children to live up to his / her potential?

How do you help your children through a difficult divorce or introduce a new love into your child's life?

Being a parent is harder than any of us expected. But it doesn't have to be. The Practical Parenting Seminar uses practical tools and strategies to break down the common and not-so-common parenting dilemmas, from infancy through teenage years, strong-willed children to children with special needs, to help you raise healthy, well-adjusted kids.

- Understanding the role of parent: Parent or friend?
- Creating a safe, secure, peaceful and loving home for your child
- Breaking the will-but not the spirit-of a child
- Addressing children with unique needs

Each seminar includes two specific areas of emphasis, chosen by you:

HELP! THERE'S AN ALIEN IN MY HOUSE

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- When to start preparing your child for teen challenges
- How do I set and enforce healthy boundaries for my teen?
- Recognizing trouble: drugs, sex and other issues

BLENDED FAMILIES & THE UNCONVENTIONAL HOME

Reconstituted families, single parent families and adopted children are a family staple in our communities. It's important that parents understand:

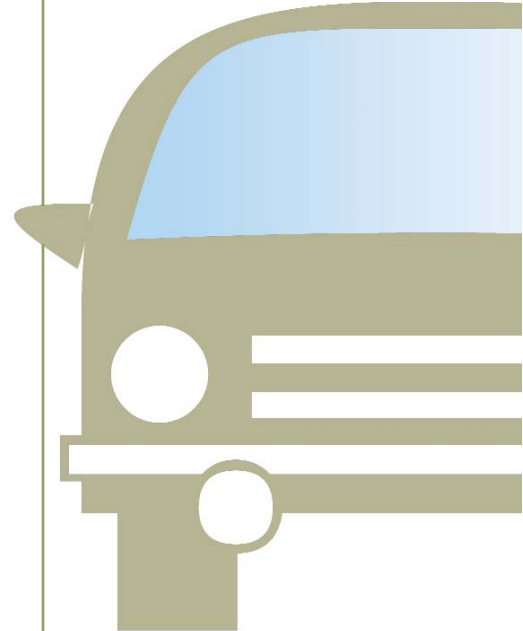
- The fears and insecurities that a change in family structure imposes on their children.
- How to discipline someone else's children
- The fears of an adopted child

EMPOWERING YOUR CHILD TO CHANGE HIS WORLD

How do we teach our children that they can do or accomplish anything they set their minds to? How can we help them channel their unique qualities, talents and gifts? Together, we'll explore:

- Recognizing your child's unique ability
- Helping your child to discover his own identity and strengths
- Balancing time and attention between kids
- Managing gifted and challenged children

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I found the seminar insightful, with a lot of wisdom and practical guidance. It gave me perspective on things I tend to hesitate to enforce, and I learned how to motivate unmotivated kids. Awesome!

Karina Young

The principles of reward and consequences worked wonderful!. You have incredible insights on the strong-willed child.

David & Kelley Shock



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ABOUT FOREFRONT FAMILIES



Nine-year-old Ben has no friends. What he *does* have is a reputation of being a *spoiled little brat*. His parents, Tom and Angela, just couldn't figure it out. "We are embarrassed that he's so demanding and rude," Tom says. "We didn't raise him to be like this."

Truth be told, hundreds of thousands of parents just like Tom and Angela are frustrated and confused about the best way to raise their children. They love their kids and want only the best for them, but they lack one crucial thing: practical know-how.

Family experts Brian and Sally Burgess, co-founders of Forefront Families and the Practical Parenting Seminar, are passionate about equipping parents with the understanding they need to create loving, supportive families with well-adjusted, confident, happy kids.

As a respected educator, Brian has garnered national media attention for his successful track record as an educator who's developed "alternative" schools for troubled teens in New Zealand and the U.S. He has been recognized internationally by school boards and educators for his outstanding leadership and the rehabilitative program he developed for teens who had been expelled from public schools. Brian's rich history of working with kids of all ages easily qualifies him as one of the foremost child behavior experts today.

If you were to visit one of Brian's schools over the last 20 years, you'd see students lined up outside his door to show him their latest A or to talk to him about their family struggles. "Brian always has time for the kids and listens to them," relates Patricia Estes, the school's resident police officer. While Brian is firm and consistent in his discipline, he is also generous and caring with the students, and the students love him for it.

"Parents find it so difficult to cope these days," Brian says. "The times are changing so fast, and they lack a lot of practical know-how when it comes to raising their kids. Their own childhoods may have been troubled. We want to help families by talking about the issues that are becoming commonplace in our homes and discussing strategies for raising extraordinary kids."

The Forefront Families philosophy is that a healthy society is built upon healthy families. By helping families provide the right environment for their children to thrive, parents can ensure a happy, chaos-free childhood for children to grow up feeling empowered to manifest their destinies. "We want parents to be encouraged and to feel much more confident in raising their kids," Brian says.

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