

You can count on Leon Quan to be an outstanding interview candidate. He is quick-witted, articulate and provocative.

Interview Topics

- Pop-culture savvy - The effects of pop-culture on teens and their parents and teachers
- 20/20 Mindsight - Teaching kids to think for themselves
- Risky Behaviors - what triggers them?
- Living in a "Virtueless Reality" - beyond the world of 10-second sound bytes, celeb-reality TV and 30 minute sitcoms
- The "Threshold of Relevance"
- School tragedies
- The importance of volunteerism
- Getting the most out of your school years
- Prom, Graduation, Homecoming safety
- Bullying
- Promoting campus and community concern
- Teen use of social networking sites (such as MySpace.com)
- Developing, disciplining and directing your passions
- Helping teens find clarity and authenticity in an over-messaged society

Availability: Based in Arizona. Leon is available nationwide by arrangement and via telephone. To arrange an interview or for further information, contact Lori Quan at 480-227-4556.

Defining MySpace

"Tech savvy kids, and most of them are, will not abandon this social enabler just because we don't get it. Let's teach our kids what it is not. It's not LieSpace, Buy Space or SpySpace."

Internet Safety

"The Golden Rule must be amended for the twenty first Century: Always do to others what you would have them do to you and never do on-line what you wouldn't do in real life."

Choices

"We have to live in the world we create with our choices."

Consequences

"Everyone loves the privilege of choice. But when it comes to risky behaviors, teens often forget that consequences are the direct result of our choices."

Empty Consumerism & Mass Marketing

"One of the greatest disservices we can commit is allowing teens to believe that they can *buy* their individuality."

Creating Cultures of Excellence

"It is time to take the notion of positive peer pressure to the next level and invest in cultivating teen leaders. Across the nation, administrators are preoccupied with assessment test goals and schools struggle with overwhelming counselor to student ratios. There is no greater time to mobilize *students* to become the solutions to the problems they face than now."

Empathy

"I wish every adult could remember a time in their life when they were paralyzed by fear or intimidation. Maybe then we wouldn't be so quick to dismiss bullying as 'just a part of growing up'."

Bullying

"Bullying is unseated power displayed as aggression. It is never too early to teach positive behaviors, empathy, and conflict resolution. In fact, it is critical in making our schools a comfortable environment that lends itself to development and learning."