

## Eric Wedge, Featured Speaker

Eric Wedge, Fort Wayne native, returns to his hometown to continue making an impact here in Fort Wayne, Indiana. He is keenly interested in assisting in the development of future leaders.

Wedge has been an inspiration and a proven leader at many levels: High School State Champion with Northrop High School, College World Series Champion with Wichita State University, Professional career as a Catcher for the Boston Red Sox and Colorado Rockies, and as a Major League Manager with the Cleveland Indians and Seattle Mariners. In 2007, Eric was recognized as the American League Manager of the Year.

Wedge has also served as an analyst on the popular ESPN Baseball Tonight crew. Currently, Eric is the Field Coordinator in charge of all minor league teams, staff, and players on the field for the Toronto Blue Jays.



## Leadership Luncheon Featuring Eric Wedge

### World Baseball Academy

World Baseball Academy's mission is to use the platform of baseball to exemplify excellence and leadership beyond the game.

The vision of World Baseball Academy is to develop future leaders who positively impact our world. Our organization believes that when you align the passion of a young person with a positive mentor that it creates an equation for impact.

World Baseball Academy has been privileged to work alongside some of the world's top baseball leaders and we strive to be intentional with our influence on the lives of the students and families we serve. World Baseball Academy is a 501c3 nonprofit organization.



### Optimum Performance Sports

Optimum Performance Sports (OPS) combines outstanding expertise of The Orthopedic Hospital and Fort Wayne Orthopedics. OPS provides powerful sports performance training to keep your athlete on the court and performing at a high level. OPS athletes can experience real, measurable results in speed, strength, and quickness without increasing their risk of injury.



### OPS Speaker: Dr. Jason Russell

Founder and  
Executive Director of OPS



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# Congratulations to all of the recipients

## **Bishop Dwenger**

Lauren Haraburda  
Erin Strzelecki  
Hayden Ellinger  
Griffin Eifert

## **Bishop Luers**

Jalen Causey  
Grant Brough  
Lydia Reimbold  
Madeleine Pape

## **Blackhawk Christian**

Julia Nagy  
Hallie Vander Dussen  
Donovan Connelly  
Robert Strong

## **Canterbury**

Hailey Hobbs  
McKenna Tuggle  
Joel Groninger  
Pierce (PJ) Parker

## **Carroll**

Collin Diehm  
Lincoln Lantz  
Drezdan Ginder  
Cortney Unger

## **Churubusco**

Madison Gaff  
Maggie Burita  
Gage Kelly  
Jake Fulk

## **Columbia City**

Carly Mabie  
Gabby Fry  
Tyler Lane  
Landon Wakeman

## **Concordia**

Cleasia Craig  
Ellie Cates  
Jalen Vanderbosch  
Brayden Pearson

## **Fremont**

Madalyn Beeman  
Grace Schmucker  
Karson Meeks  
Isaac Hawkins

## **Homestead**

Donald McArdle  
Audrey Crowel  
Luke Goode  
Camden Rogers

## **Northrop**

Manuel Lopez  
Antoine Scott  
Autumn Brubaker  
Janajah Hill

## **North Side**

Dominique Wells-White  
Jamie Hickey  
Michael Scott  
Jaxzen Lehmkuhle

## **Norwell**

Breann Barger  
Anna Hoover  
Tonner Johnson  
Jack Gerber

## **Snider**

Jon Barnes  
Hayden Tippmann  
Brittany Sirivath  
Jada Kepney

## **South Side**

Evan Walda  
Alaysia Tabron  
Taija Jackson  
Merly Barrios

## **Wayne**

Molly Brehm  
Aminah Coyne  
Keshawn Fields  
Aaron Roemer

## **Leadership Luncheon Agenda**

- 11:30am Arrival of Award Recipients & School Representatives
- 11:40am Buffet Style Meal
- 12:00pm Welcome by World Baseball Academy, **Caleb Kimmel**
- 12:05pm OPS Speakers, **Dr. Jason Russell** and **Ron Howard**
- 12:25pm Featured Speaker, **Eric Wedge**
- 12:40pm Presentation of Leadership Awards
- 12:55pm Group Photo
- 1:00pm Departure



**OPS Speaker: Ron Howard**  
Community Development Director - FW Mad Ants  
Known as "Mr. Mad Ant"