



Point Loma Cluster Series

Innovation in Education and Learning 2.0

Matt Spathas, Keynote Speaker

May 6, 2009 ■ 6:00pm to 7:30pm ■ Sunset View Auditorium

Keynote Speaker



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WHO SHOULD ATTEND

Parents, teachers of students in
Pt. Loma Elementary Cluster Schools.

WHEN

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WHERE

[Sunset View Elementary](#)
[4365 Hill Street](#)

RSVP

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Ice Cream Social To Follow

Engaging, Empowering Educating All Students

Schools of the Future and Transformation

- The 150 year old educational system is in dire need of repair—what you can do to help support your schools and students.

Preparing Students For the 21st Century

- Jobs in the new economy - ones that won't get outsourced or automated - put an enormous premium on creative and innovative skills. Will your child be ready for the 21st Century?

Learning 2.0 and New Kind of Literacy

- "The illiterate of the 21st Century will not be those that can not read or write, but those that can learn and unlearn". - A. Toffler

About Matt Spathas

Passionate about transforming the 150-year-old educational delivery system, Matt has been active in public education and has led or participated in many transformation initiatives and educational thought leadership forums. Matt is the founder of the educational web site library.com.

In 2004, Matt journeyed to Asia to seek out next generation best practices, touring 38 buildings in 5 countries and 12 cities. This tour included 2 international schools, the [Western Academy of Beijing](#) and [Concordia International School of Shanghai](#).

Matt has worked with teachers, staff and community to launch Project Light Speed, a series of digital initiatives in the District and community schools. See [21st Century School House](#) and [Trashing The Chalkboards](#).

Matt helped to launch Live Homework Help, free online tutoring for students, ihigh Virtual Academy, the 21c Math Pilot, a one-to-one web-based curriculum and assessment classroom for grades 5 to 8. Some of the groups Matt has been invited to key note at San Diego State University, University of San Diego, and the San Diego County Office of Education. To see full bio, [click here](#).

Transforming Education—Learning 2.0

Please come and learn about education in the 21st century. Review a vision of where your child's education could be headed and how you can help get them there!

WHO SHOULD ATTEND: All parents and teachers of students in Pt. Loma Elementary Cluster Schools and anyone interested in 21st Century Learning.

RSVP BY MONDAY, MAY 4TH TO:
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DROP INS WILL BE WELCOMED, HOWEVER, PLEASE RSVP THE NUMBER ATTENDING SO WE CAN ACCOMMODATE EVERYONE.

Refreshments will be provided with an Ice Cream Social to follow. There will be adults supervising school age children on the lower field.

The Point Loma Cluster Schools Information, Communication and Technology ([ICT](#)) Literacy Committee's role is to promote, facilitate and support a Cluster-wide vision of 21st Century skills for teachers, staff, students, parents and community members. This includes helping to create a sense of urgency for expanding the vision of preparing all students for work and life in a global, knowledge-based society. This combines the wisdom of research, best practices, and insights from educators, employers, and policy makers and points to a vision of education that honors core subjects yet integrates learning skills and 21st Century tools, context, content and assessments.

A recent study, commissioned by the [Partnership for 21st Century Skills](#) found that a majority of Americans don't believe today's children are adequately prepared to compete in a global economy. Eighty-eight percent of those surveyed say schools need to incorporate more critical thinking and problem solving, communication and self-direction, and computer and technology skills into the curriculum. To learn more see [Summary of Key Findings](#).

Preparing today's youth to succeed in the digital world requires a new kind of teaching and learning. Project-based learning allows students to acquire 21st-century skills in the context of real-world scenarios, and the integration of video and other media to support instruction links students with outside resources and enables teachers to support many learning styles.

Embracing such a vision requires digital thinking and leadership while changing human behavior. The ICT Literacy Committee is working to develop a strategy to promote the use of digital technology, communication tools, and the internet to solve information problems in order to function in an information society and global economy.

Reference Links:

www.pointlomacluster.com

www.sunsetviewelementary.com

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