2016 NATIONAL DROPOUT PREVENTION NETWORK CONFERENCE

Detroit Marriott at the Renaissance Center
October 2–5  Detroit, MI

Featuring ERIC THOMAS

TEACHER HACKATHON
This rapid-fire brainstorming session will get you energized and moving towards solutions!
Saturday–Sunday, 9–5 pm

SITE VISITS & PRE-CONFERENCE WORKSHOPS

MOTOWN RECEPTION
You won’t want to miss this dynamic reception featuring the internationally acclaimed Mosaic Youth Theatre of Detroit as they present the songs of Motown. Sunday, 6 pm.

TECH ED BREAKFAST
This interactive session will feature national leaders in technology and education discussing strategies for reaching today’s students in their world. Tuesday, 8:30 am.

YOUTH-LED SESSIONS
Hear students share their agenda for education. Tuesday, 2:30 pm.

GENERAL SESSION KEYNOTE SPEAKERS

Monday–Barrington Irving, Jr., was the youngest person to pilot a plane around the world solo, a feat he accomplished in 2007. Irving founded Experience Aviation, a nonprofit organization dedicated to empowering minority youth to pursue careers in aviation.

Tuesday–Eric Thomas dropped out of high school and lived homeless on the streets of Detroit where he met a preacher who inspired him to go back to school. Today Thomas has a PhD in Education Administration and is a motivational speaker, author, and minister.

Wednesday–Dr. Russ Quaglia has been described as America’s foremost authority on the development and achievement of student voice and aspirations. Dr. Quaglia founded and leads Quaglia Institute for Student Aspirations, and most recently has founded the Teacher Voice and Aspirations International Center.

ATTENDANCE LOUNGE
This interactive session will feature national leaders in technology and education discussing strategies for reaching today’s students in their world.