



# **Celebrity Speaker Bios**



## Michael Zimmerman Event Emcee, Owner of RipRoar Events

Michael is a nationally recognized sports announcer and owner of Des Moines-based RipRoar Events. As the Director of the RipRoar Youth Triathlon Series, Michael brings his passion for endurance athletics to kids across Iowa.



## Daira Driftmier Hy-Vee KidsFit Director

Daira is a certified personal trainer and leads Hy-Vee KidsFit, a free program that promotes health, exercise and nutrition for children and families. She also oversees the online version of the program at www.hy-veekidsfit.com.



#### Hannah Brandt Forward, U.S. Olympic Hockey Team

Hannah is a member of the 2018 Winter Olympics U.S. women's hockey team, which won its first gold medal since 1998. Hannah and her adopted sister Marissa were one of the most intriguing stories of the 2018 Winter Olympics, as she played for Team USA and Marissa was part of the unified Korean women's hockey team. Hannah was selected second overall in the 2015 National Women's Hockey League draft. She played four seasons at the University of Minnesota, and helped lead the Golden Gophers to the NCAA National Collegiate Women's Ice Hockey championship in 2013, 2015 and 2016.



## Rebekkah Brunson WNBA Forward, Minnesota Lynx

Rebekkah, a member of the Minnesota Lynx, is currently the only player to win five WNBA championships. She was selected by the Sacramento Monarchs in the first round of the 2004 WNBA draft and helped lead the Monarchs to their WNBA Championship in 2005. She holds the WNBA lead in offensive rebounds and is the all-time leading rebounder in Georgetown University's women's basketball program. She's a native of Washington, D.C., and founded and manages the 32 Foundation to help provide academic and athletic opportunities for youth in the Washington, D.C., area.



## Nyeeam Hudson (King Nahh) Motivational Speaker, Author

Nyeeam, a 12-year-old from New Jersey, gained national attention in 2016 when his video response to a neighborhood bully resonated with thousands for its focus on self-confidence and self-improvement. He's since spoken to thousands of young people around the world, encouraging them to explore their own potential through the power of positive thinking. He's the Youth Advocate Director for the FP YouthOutcry Foundation in New Jersey, and his first book, We Are All Kings: A Motivational Guide for Young Men, was published in April 2017. He was named one of "12 Kids Who Rocked the World in 2016" by the Huffington Post, and Forbes dubbed him "the most motivational kid in America." He posts regularly to his thousands of social media followers under the handle "King Nahh."



#### Stefon Diggs Wide Receiver, Minnesota Vikings

Stefon is a wide receiver for the 2017 NFC North Division Champion Minnesota Vikings. His last-minute touchdown in the divisional playoff against the New Orleans Saints helped lead the Vikings to their "Minneapolis Miracle" win in January 2018. Stefon was drafted to the NFL after playing three seasons with the University of Maryland.