

A Message from

**Written  
Out Loud**

CEO Josh Shelov

When I was in elementary school, I was a creative kid who felt, deep down, that I didn't have a creative place to play. The activities that were open to me were, basically, sports. Sports were where the peers and parents went, after school every day, delivering the kind of validation that only transpires when an entire community mobilizes around an activity.

After a 25-year career making films in Hollywood, I created Written Out Loud to give creative kids the exact same team- and community-oriented validation that young athletes receive. Written Out Loud delivers elite instruction, mentorship, and fellowship - combining Hollywood storytelling techniques with Ivy League-caliber instruction and Silicon Valley-engineered program delivery. Our unique group-storytelling approach is revolutionizing how kids learn to write, transforming even reluctant readers into joyful writers — and, yes, published authors. Not only does Written Out Loud develop kids' storytelling skills, but it also provides them with

a safe and inspiring space to grow their courage, empathy, and self-confidence.

Following our appearance on Good Morning America, Written Out Loud is now partnering with schools, districts, families, homeschools, and organizations nationwide. We've successfully delivered our program as an afterschool program, an in-school ELA partner, and as a summer and spring break day camp, depending on your needs.

"At Written Out Loud," said one of our students, "I'm more myself than anywhere I've ever been." We would be thrilled and honored to provide this same outcome for the children of your community: to create the kind of space that so many creative kids need deep down.



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