



## Pete Smith

Pete Smith has been called “One of America’s leading personal and professional development coaches.”

He is a sought-after international speaker and trainer in the fields of leadership, management, personal growth and development. His energetic, edgy, and interactive style is complimented by his ability to provide practical takeaways that actually work, while having a little fun in the process.

He is the author of Dare to Matter, which elevated to the #2 Best Seller in the Business Motivation and Self-Improvement category.

He is a former board member of the HR Alliance DC and a director in the Association for Talent Development’s DC Chapter. He is the creator of multiple leadership and management development programs, including the Rockstar Manager and the Expect to Win leadership program.

Formerly, Pete was the Operations Executive at one of the largest non-profit, alternative schools in Northern Virginia. During his tenure, he helped increase the total income, employee base and client base by over 102%. Additionally, by focusing his efforts on developing an engaged and productive workforce, he helped increase the average employee tenure by 74%, while saving the organization \$420,000 in turnover costs during that time.

Having a stroke at the age of 35, Pete has since used that experience to inspire, educate, and entertain audiences throughout the world on the importance of pursuing significance in their personal and professional lives. As he says, “If you relentlessly pursue success and happiness in your life, you are settling for less than what you were created for.”

Married to an incredible wife, proud dad of two amazing boys, and part-time chew toy for an Irish Setter, Pete resides in Arlington, VA.