

Lunch Thursday November 17, 2022

Matt Kirchner, Host of the TechEd podcast
President of ATS/LAB Midwest



Matt Kirchner is an international speaker, author and podcast host on topics of interest to educators, public policy makers and private employers.

On a mission to secure the American Dream for the next generation of STEM and Workforce talent, Kirchner hosts the weekly TechEd Podcast™ and serves as President of ATS/LAB Midwest, the leading distributor of world-class curriculum, eLearning and training equipment.

Kirchner writes monthly leadership columns appearing in Products Finishing and Production Machining magazines and is the author of “Teaching the Industrial Internet of Things: Preparing Students and Learners for Industry 4.0.”

Previously Kirchner led three world class manufacturing companies during a 20+ career as an industrial CEO. He and his partners sold their last company, American Finishing Resources, to DuBois Chemicals in 2014.

Kirchner serves on the boards of directors of several American companies and among his many volunteer activities is currently the First-Past President of the Education Dealers Association and holds a seat on the board of the Smart Automation Certification Alliance. He is a graduate of the Marquette University School of Business.

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Maiya Lanae, MPH, Health Educator
Founder, Hey Girl Health



Maiya Evans, MPH teaches courses in the Holistic Health and Public Health departments at San Francisco State University and the Health Sciences Department at Skyline College. Her work examines the intersection between holistic health, public health, and social justice. In 2015, she earned her Master’s of Public Health from San Francisco State University, where she was also certified in holistic health which led her to a position as a health educator for breast cancer survivors at the UCSF Osher Center for Integrative Medicine from 2016-2019.

In addition to her work as a health educator, Maiya has a passion for working on projects that impact low-income communities and communities of color. As a graduate student, Maiya was part of an over 3-year initiative to get CalFresh (nationally called SNAP) benefits accepted at San Francisco State University. Currently, she works on a research team and is a mindfulness educator for *SFBUILD*, an NIH-funded organization that works to enhance diversity of the biomedical research workforce by transforming the teaching and research environments at San Francisco State University. Her short documentary film, *The Young and the Techless*, which examines the digital divide for low-income youth of color was a featured film at the Global Public Health Film Festival at the American Public Health Association (APHA) Annual Meeting in 2015. Maiya additionally works as a consultant and lead facilitator for the anti-racism organization, *The Mosaic Project*. Her podcast, *The Hey Girl Health Show*, focuses on health issues that impact women of color and the communities they live in.

Maiya gives talks, lectures and workshops on a myriad of topics, including: using virtual reality as a tool for student engagement, achieving wellness despite trauma, promoting health and celebrating culture through play, and strengthening the classroom community through embodied learning. Maiya has co-authored several papers including, *Reflections on Developing a Campus-Wide Workshop Series on Contemplative Practice and Social Justice*, which was published as a chapter in the book, *Contemplative Practices and Anti-Oppressive Pedagogies for Higher Education*. In 2020, she was awarded the 2020-2021 EPIC Fellowship at Stanford University.