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SEVEN ARROWS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL CELEBRATES 20 YEARS WITH SPEAKER SERIES STARRING AUTHOR AND ORGANIZATIONAL PSYCHOLOGIST ADAM GRANT

The New York Times bestselling author and Wharton professor will appear at the Pacific Palisades school for discussion on productivity and original thinking in young students

(LOS ANGELES) April 8, 2019 — Seven Arrows Elementary School – a Kindergarten through 6th grade Los Angeles-based elementary school that focuses on education that fuses rigorous academics with world culture and the arts -- will celebrate its 20th anniversary with a thoughtful discussion led by New York Times' bestselling author **Adam Grant** on May 8th, 2019 at 6PM. Grant's research on productivity and original thinking are aligned with the Seven Arrows philosophy to teach students to be original, work hard and take risks in order to develop the inner grit that will allow them to be resilient adults.

The event, taking place at the Seven Arrows Outdoor Amphitheatre in Pacific Palisades, will feature Grant discussing the concepts featured in his *New York Times* bestselling books and how they reflect the values taught at Seven Arrows. His *Give and Take* examines why helping others drives our success and *Originals* explores how individuals champion new ideas and leaders fight groupthink. The night will also feature remarks from Head of School **Margarita Pagliai** who will discuss the growth and success of the school--which boasts a 1:10 student to teacher ratio amongst their 140 students-- has undergone in the past 20 years.

"Differentiated learning should be the gold standard in education and we're pleased Adam is able to join us to discuss this further as we mark our school's big milestone," said Pagliai, who founded the school 20 years ago. "As his research shows, we can teach empathy, compassion and flexibility in learning and the more we can integrate collaboration, a students' capacity to learn and mathematize their world is endless."

Seven Arrows uniquely stands apart from other Los Angeles area schools for their focus on differentiated learning, especially in Spanish, Math and Language Arts, providing dedicated resources

that teach to each child's strengths. It's also among the first in the area to have a state of the art Makerspace, STEAM facility and teach Singapore math.

"I am excited to join Seven Arrows to celebrate its 20th anniversary of teaching students how to find motivation and meaning, and lead generous and creative lives," said Grant, whose books have sold millions of copies and have been translated into 35 languages.

Grant joins an esteemed group of previous speakers who have partnered with the school to highlight its unique form of adolescent education, including primatologist Jane Goodall and developmental psychologist Howard Gardner.

The event is free and open to the public. Registration is encouraged by clicking [HERE](#). More information can be found at <https://www.sevenarrows.org/about-seven-arrows/20th-anniversary/>.

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ABOUT SEVEN ARROWS ELEMENTARY:

Seven Arrows Elementary was founded to educate future leaders, one at a time, by striving to nurture individual strengths in a supportive and rigorous educational environment. Its core mission is to teach and promote passion for learning, academic excellence, and a commitment to local and global communities. Seven Arrows and its staff support and encourage the development of competent, disciplined, critical, creative, respectful, and ethical human beings in an environment that celebrates each child's innate abilities and challenges her or his personal potential.

Founded 20 years ago by Margarita Pagliai, Seven Arrows has 140 students with a 1:10 teacher/student ratio. Coined the smallest big school on the Westside, all of its students matriculate to the most competitive middle schools in West LA and beyond, with 90% getting into their top middle school of choice.

ABOUT ADAM GRANT:

Adam Grant has been Wharton's [top-rated professor](#) for [seven straight years](#). He is a leading expert on how we can find motivation and meaning, and live more generous and creative lives. He has been recognized as one of the world's [10 most influential management thinkers](#) and [Fortune's 40 under 40](#).

He is the author of three *New York Times* bestselling books that have sold over a million copies and been translated into 35 languages. *Give and Take* examines why helping others drives our success, and was named one of the best books of 2013 by Amazon, Apple, the *Financial Times*, and *The Wall Street Journal*—as well as one of Oprah's riveting reads and Harvard Business Review's ideas that shaped management. *Originals* explores how individuals champion new ideas and leaders fight groupthink; it was a #1 bestseller praised by J.J. Abrams, Richard Branson, and Malcolm Gladwell. *Option B*, with Sheryl Sandberg, is a #1 bestseller on facing adversity and building resilience recommended by Bill and Melinda Gates and Malala Yousafzai.

