

LDawc Family Conference, Saturday October 24th **Program**

- 8:30 - 9:00** **Registration**
- 9:00 - 9:05** **Welcoming Remarks:** Susan Newcombe & Christine MacDonald
- 9:05 - 9:20** **Moving Beyond OK:** Susan Schenk
- 9:20 - 10:20** **Keynote: Overcoming Obstacles and Beating the Odds:** Lesley Andrew
- 10:20 - 10:35 Refreshment Break
- 10:35 - 12:15** **Concurrent Workshop Streams**

	Breakout #1	Breakout #2	Breakout #3
10:35 – 11:25	Navigating the Education System: Understanding the IPRC and IEP Process. Presenter: Dr. Sean Cameron, Vice Principal / University of Guelph	Assistive Tech Tools for Post-Secondary Students Presenter: Athol Gow, Manager of Library Services, University of Guelph	Neuroplasticity: Strengthening the Capacity to Learn Presenter: Jan Klassen & Jenny Lillie, Guelph Community Christian School Arrowsmith Program
11:30 – 12:15	School Difficulties of Youth with Moderate to Severe Emotional and Behavioural Disorders Presenter: Dr. Michele Preyde	Learning Disabilities and Anxiety Presenter: Paula Cerveny, Ph.D., Registered Psychologist and Allison Singh, M. Ed., Registered Psychological Associate, Norfolk Psychological Services	Family Support: Parental Stress Coping Strategies Presenter: Gwen Dutrizac, Ph.D., Registered Psychologist, Norfolk Psychological Services

12:15– 1:00 Lunch Break

1:00- 2:35 **Concurrent Workshop Streams**

	Breakout #1	Breakout #2	Breakout #3
1:00- 1:45	What Tech Tools Are Available to Support Students in Reading & Writing? Presenter: Janet Ragan, Metamorphosis Learning	Strategies in the Classroom for Different Types of “Learners” Presenter: Deborah Szymanski Potts, Specialized Educational Consultant, Norfolk Psychological Services	Finding Your Passion: A Personal Story Presenter: Eric Gillis, Professional Marathoner
1:50 – 2:35	Healthy Body, Healthy Mind: Simple Strategies to Immediately Improve Children’s Attention Span and Maximize their Learning Potential Presenter: Dr. Alexandre Tavares, Child Psychiatrist, Grand River Hospital	Disclosure of Diagnosis Presenter: Dianna Gamble, M.A., Registered Psychological Associate and Linda DiNardo, M.A., Registered Psychological Associate Norfolk Psychological Services	Panel Discussion: Creating Positive Communication Between Home and School Presenter: Mary Beth McCuen (WDCSB), Parent reps: Kristina Campbell, Gabriele Wright, Sue Shaw

2:35– 2:50 Refreshment Break

Plenary Session:

2:50 – 3:50 **The Evolution of Emotion: What Science is Telling Us About Separating the Brain from the Person (Child),** Susan Dafoe-Abbey, BIS, MED, RMFT, RP

3:50 – 4:00 **Closing Remarks, End of day**

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