

The Centre for Literacy — www.centreforliteracy.qc.ca

Chocolat Lamontagne Inc. — *Marie-Claude Asselin* — www.lamontagne.ca

DM Family Services — *Deb Kellman, Mona Segal* — www.dmfamilyschool.com

Dynamix Adventures Inc. — *Corey Szwarcok* — www.getdynamix.com

e-Cause Canada Inc. — *Joyce Shanks* — www.eCause.ca

E-Fundraising — *Xavier Desautelles* — www.efundraising.com

Enfant & Compagnie — *Veronica DiCiccio* — www.enfantetcompagnie.com

Geordie Productions — *Jessica Abdallah* — www.geordie.ca

MADD Montreal - www.madd.ca

Mummy Card — www.mummieslist.com

Prestige Fundraising — *Kevin Doyle* — www.prestigefundraising.com

Pro-Active — *Mike Ohayon* — website available Jan. 2012

Rhythm Exchange — www.rhythmexchange.com

Sunsweet Fundraising Inc. — *Peter Lebrun* — www.sunsweetfundraising.com

White Tiger Group — *Paul Henry* — www.fearlesstiger.com

PROMOTIONAL & EDUCATIONAL MATERIAL PROVIDED BY:

La Sexducation — *Isabelle Andrews* - lasexducation.ca

Epicure Selections — *Lisa Marie Foye* — spicy_lisa@sympatico.ca

WITS Program (Bullying Prevention) - www.witsprogram.ca

Health Canada — www.hc-sc.gc.ca

Inspirations Newspaper: A Snapshot of Our Special Needs Community (EMSB) www.inspirationsnews.com

Tembec Paper — Brigitte.mrvosh@tembec.com

QFHSA Children's Literacy Resource Guide - www.qfhsa.org

Also would like to thank LBPSB for the use of Sherwood Forest Elementary School, Sherwood Forest's principal, Mrs. Jean Fillatre, for her cooperation, Sherwood Forest's Home and School Committee for inviting us to their school and being so welcoming, and to all the volunteers for their invaluable help in making our Fall Conference a success!

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QFHSA FALL CONFERENCE 2011



Quebec
Federation
of Home &
School
Associations

Saturday, November 12th, 2011

8:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.

Sherwood Forest Elementary School

313 Windermere, Beaconsfield, QC H9W 1W1





8:00-8:30 am Registration/Display Visits (coffee available)

8:30-8:45 am President's Welcome & Opening Remarks

8:45-10:15 am Guest Speakers & KEYNOTE SPEAKER

Suzanne Longpré, Communications & Public Relations, LEARN.
Practical Strategies for Parental Involvement and Student Success

10:15- 10:30 am Nutrition Break/ Display Visits

10:30- 12:00 pm 1st Session Workshops

- ◆ **Teamwork Begins at the Top - ROOM 215.** Facilitated by: Marlyn Brownrigg, Barbara Schnider, and Betty Skagkos
- ◆ **Resolving Conflicts Peacefully - ROOM 207.** Facilitated by: DM Family & School Services
- ◆ **Merit Pay for Teachers - ROOM 206.** Facilitated by: Serge Laurendeau
- ◆ **Making the Most of Parent Teacher Meetings - ROOM 216.** Facilitated by: Cindy Finn PhD.

12:00-1:00 pm Regional Council Meetings for All (GYM→Classrooms)

1:00-2:00 pm Lunch (Staff Room 1st Floor)/ Display Visits (GYM)

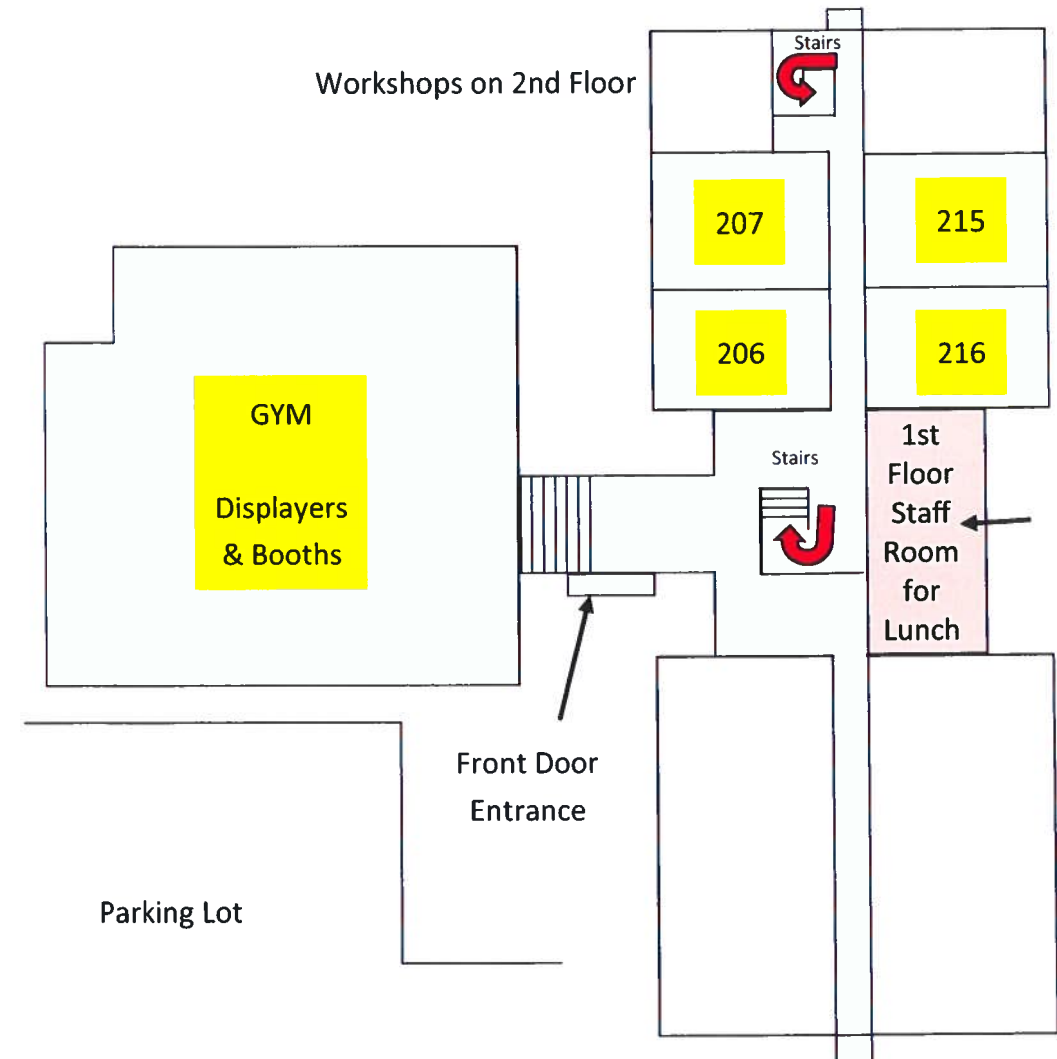
2:00- 3:30 pm 2nd Session Workshops

- ◆ **Don't Worry! Helping Your Child Deal with Anxiety & Stress - ROOM 207.** Facilitated by: DM Family & School Services
- ◆ **Transition to High School - ROOM 215.** Facilitated by: Dynamix
- ◆ **Homework Solutions: How to Adopt Effective Work Methods - ROOM 206.** Facilitated by: Justine Dansereau
- ◆ **Turning our Youth into Literary Enthusiasts - ROOM 216.** Facilitated by: Nicholas Aumais

3:30-3:45 pm Evaluation Draws (GYM)

The evaluation gift is a book for your school library
(one drawn for Elementary & one for Secondary).

Sherwood Forest School Map





Suzanne Longpré, Communications & Public Relations, LEARN. Suzanne Longpré has many years of experience in the field of education. She has been an elementary and secondary school teacher and has worked at the Ministry of Education in the field of Personal Development. She was responsible for the elaboration and implementation of the Protestant and Religious Education Program within the Reform. Suzanne has also worked as a school administrator for the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board. She has taught at McGill University and has supervised third and fourth year Faculty of Education students. She is well known as an animated speaker and workshop leader within the world of Education. She is currently handling communications and public relations at LEARN and she has made it her mission to promote LEARN and its many resources to all, including parents and other stakeholders within the English educational community.



Serge Laurendeau, President, QPAT. Serge Laurendeau started his teaching career in 1974 mostly working with special education classes.

He was president of the Pearson Teachers' Union for 4 years, sat on the Advisory Board of English Education for 3 years and is now in his 4th year as president of the Quebec Provincial Association of Teachers and a member of the board of Directors of the Canadian Teachers' Federation.



Cindy Finn PhD., LBPSB., is the Assistant Director of Student Services at the Lester B. Pearson School Board in Dorval, Quebec. She holds a Ph.D. in Educational Psychology from McGill University and has worked as a school psychologist in Canada and the United States. In addition to her clinical work, she is actively engaged in research and sits on the editorial board of Exceptionality Education Canada. Her research interests include home-school collaboration, children with emotional and behavioural difficulties, and treatment acceptability.



Dynamix is the leader in teambuilding and character development programs for kids and teens. For years, they have been offering unique, innovative and exciting teambuilding workshops and activities to schools, camps and many other youth organizations. All Dynamix programs are extremely hands-on and interactive, and always focus on teamwork and sportsmanship. Whether it's in-school work-shops, carnivals, overnight retreat programs or birthday parties, their mission is to always have a positive impact on every group they work with while having FUN!



Nicholas Aumais, Youth Literary Consultant for Canadian schools and libraries, Bayard Publishing. For as long as Nicholas can remember, he has always lived in a world of books. Tantamount to his line of work, his mission is to make literature accessible for all children, and in working with teachers and librarians to help them select a variety of French titles that are appropriate for their different levels of readers. His passion and enthusiasm for literature is definitely something he enjoys sharing with all. He would like to make Canada a country of readers!



Deb Kellman & Mona Segal, DM Family & School Services.

Deb Kellman has a Masters degree in Education (M. Ed) from McGill University and a degree in Psychology from Queens University in Kingston, Ontario. Deb was born in the Caribbean and lived in several countries, and raised her children in Montreal.

Mona Segal has a Masters degree in Social Work (MSW) and a Masters degree in Education (MEd) from McGill University. Over the past 20 years, **Deb and Mona** have had the privilege to work with many young people, couples, individuals and families, as well as to develop and facilitate many programs in the area of conflict resolution, peaceful schools, leadership, social skills, team building, friendships, mental health, and other topics related to youth and families for therapeutic, school, and community settings.

Justine Dansereau, Human Relations Consultant.



Justine is a fluently bilingual entrepreneur who graduated from Concordia University in Human Relations, specializing in Education. She had a vision to help students adopt effective work methods, as well as to instill key core competencies to help students strengthen the skills needed to achieve self-sufficiency within their learning experience. Through her consulting company, Group InteractiV, she offers a wide variety of in-school workshops for students as well as for parents.



Marlyn Brownrigg, Lindsay Place Home & School President. Marlyn has also served as an invaluable member of the QFHSA Board of Directors for many years, represented the association at the national level, all the while maintaining her commitment to her local H&S associations (Valois, Jubilee, Lindsay Place High School). Marlyn is extremely dedicated and has mentored many other local associations. She is a highly valued member of the QFHSA membership committee and the phone chain which maintains regular contact with the local associations.

Barbara Schnider, Lindsay Place Home & School Membership Chair. Barbara has also served as a dedicated member of the QFHSA Board of Directors. She co-chaired the Membership Committee with Marlyn, sat on the Rights Committee, and helped establish new local associations. Although no longer on the board, she continues to be a valuable resource to the membership committee, and a member of the QFHSA phone chain. She has also been instrumental in helping several local associations find their bearings and overcome obstacles.

Betty Skagkos, Gardenview Home & School Vice-President, Fundraising co-chair. Betty has been a H&S executive member for the last 10 years at Gardenview Elementary. She currently holds the position of Vice-President but has also been president and treasurer in the past. She also co-chairs the Fundraising committee and helps to oversee the fundraisers that occur throughout the year. Her enthusiasm, leadership and great ideas have helped raise many thousands of dollars for the school. Recently, she completed a certificate of Fundraising at Vanier College.