

# LDAWC Family Conference

## Saturday, October 21, 2017



- 8:30 – 9:00**     **Registration**
- 9:00 – 9:05**     **Welcoming Remarks**, Susan Newcombe & Christine MacDonald (LDAWC Board Members)
- 9:05 – 9:35**     **Reading Rocks Program**, John McNamara and Hilary Scruton (Professor, Brock University; PhD student – University of Guelph)
- 9:35 – 10:35**    **Key Note Address – Boys & Girls Learn Differently**, Michael Reist (Educational Consultant)
- 10:35 – 10:55**   **Refreshment Break & Move to Breakout Rooms**
- 10:55 – 12:10**   **Concurrent Workshop Streams – Topics**

|               | <b>Breakout #1</b>                                     | <b>Breakout #2</b>                                   | <b>Breakout #3</b>   | <b>Breakout #4</b>                  |
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| 10:55 – 12:10 | <b>IEP 101, Hands on Navigation Session</b> – Sue Shaw | <b>Benefits of Peer Networking</b> – Gabriele Wright | <b>LD&amp; Anxiety</b> – Rose Freigang and Linda DiNardo, Norfolk Psychological Services | <b>Chromebook 101</b> – Janet Ragan |

- 12:10– 1:10**     **Lunch Break**
- 1:10- 2:25**     **Concurrent Workshop Streams – Topics**

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| 1:10- 2:25 | <b>Current Trends in Math</b> – Cathy Chaput, Wellington Catholic District School Board | <b>Multi-sensory Reading Approach – Orton Gillingham</b> – Kristina Campbell | <b>LD&amp; Anxiety</b> – Rose Freigang and Dianna Gamble, Norfolk Psychological Services | <b>Learning the Tools Available Through Special Education</b> – Wendy Donaldson, Upper Grand District School Board |

- 2:25– 2:45**     **Refreshment Break**

**Concurrent Session:**

- 2:45 – 4:15**     **Walk a Mile in My Shoes**, Hayley Stinson, Integra ( <http://www.childdevelop.ca/programs/integra-program>)
- 4:15 – 4:30**     **Closing Remarks, End of Day**

***Michael Reist – Key Note Speaker***

Michael Reist is a nationally-recognized authority on the needs of children. He is the author of the Canadian bestseller *Raising Boys In A New Kind Of World* as well as *What Every Parent Should Know About School* and *The Dysfunctional School: Uncomfortable Truths and Awkward Insights on School, Learning and Teaching*. His most recent book is entitled *Raising Emotionally Healthy Boys*.

He has published over 100 articles on topics ranging from education, spirituality and parenting to movies, books and popular culture. His newsletter “What Boys Need” reaches thousands of readers around the world each month.

Michael’s work has been featured on CBC Television and Radio, CTV, Global TV, CityTV, TV Ontario, The Huffington Post, The Globe and Mail, The National Post and the Toronto Star.

He has spoken internationally to parent groups, public health agencies and teacher organizations on gender differences in learning, the influence of technology on kids and the emotional health of children.

A classroom teacher for over thirty years, Michael now works in private practice where he is a mentor to young people and their parents. He specializes in working with children who face challenges in school and at home due to issues around attention control, high sensitivity, sensory processing and cognitive profiles that do not “fit” within the school environment.

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