Family Engagement: Working in Relationship with Parents

Featured Speaker: Dr. Debbie Pushor

Presentation Overview

Family involvement versus Family Engagement Beliefs & Assumptions about Parents and families Building Positive & Authentic Relationships with Families

Acknowledging & Understanding Family Expertise & Diversity

Come join us on *October 14, 2015* for supper with our featured speaker.

The Valleyview & Area Early Child Development Coalition extends an open invitation to parent councils and staff in schools, daycares as well as organizations and individuals engaging with children and their families.

Doors Open @ 4 pm for afterschool snacks

Presentation and supper begins @ 5 pm

Location: Burnside Performing Arts Centre 4910 - 50 Avenue, Valleyview

Cost covered by Valleyview & Area Early Child Development Coalition

Registration deadline: October 5th

Registration is limited Register Early!!

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Presented by:



Debbie's early career was with Edmonton Public Schools where she worked as a tracher, consultant, principal and central services administrator. Her experiences as a parent of school-aged children caused her to attend to the positioning of parents in relation to schools and prompted the focus of her doctoral work.

Presently, Debbie is a professor in the Department of Curriculum Studies at the University of Saskatchewan in Saskatoon.

Debbie completed research with a team of co-researchers at Princess Alexandra Community School in Saskatoon which explored the school's move from practices of parent involvement to practices of parent engagement and leadership.

Debbie will lead us in considering, What is the place of parents in the schooling and education of their children?

How might attending to the learning of children in the context of families and communities change the current nature of our school systems, and enhance educational outcomes for students and all other stakeholders?

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