

Parent Workshop: EDUCATIONAL EXCELLENCE

Connect with other parents of deaf and hard of hearing children from 0-18 years of age. It's never too early and never too late to learn more about how to encourage educational excellence for our children!

Saturday October 25, 2014
9:30 am - 3:00 pm

Join us for our fall parent workshop featuring two captivating speakers from the U.S. - Janet DesGeorges (founding member and executive director of Hands & Voices) and Mark Drolsbaugh (author of "Madness in the Mainstream"). We will explore the unique aspects of supporting children who are deaf/hard of hearing while examining the core components that lead to success for ALL children. The educational needs of our children vary greatly - but they also have so much in common. As parents, what information do we need to ensure success for our children?

FOR YOUR KIDS

Childcare and DYT Fun Day have limited space & will be provided on a first come, first served basis. CHILDREN **MUST** BE PRE-REGISTERED online - when full, kids registration will be closed.

Baby to preschool age:

Childcare will be provided onsite for deaf/hard of hearing children and their hearing siblings up to age 5 (numbers limited due to capacity restraints).

Kingergarten to grade 7 age:

DYT FUN DAY!

Due to our limited funding and staffing:

- We are limiting registration only to deaf & hard of hearing children who have a parent attending the Parent Workshop
- We don't have additional resources for one-to-one workers, but will work with families to try our best

For more information: contact: fndc@fndc.ca

COMMUNICATION

ASL Interpreters & captioning will be provided.

Learn from the speakers and network with other parents and role models.

REGISTRATION

Cost: \$10 per person. Lunch included for adults and children in childcare. DYT FUN DAY doesn't include lunch, fees go to program costs. RSVP by October 10 online at www.chhaparents.com

LOCATION

Douglas College,
New Westminster campus

hosts



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SCHEDULE

- 9:30am Arrive and get your child settled in childcare
- 10-12 "Educational Excellence" with Janet DesGeorges
- 12-1 Catered lunch with Deaf/HoH mentors
- 1-2 "Madness in the Mainstream" with Mark Drolsbaugh
- 2-3 Breakout sessions:
Choose from:
"Educational Advocacy" with Janet DesGeorges
or
"Mythbusters 101" with Mark Drolsbaugh

PARENT FOCUSED

This event is specifically for parents who have deaf/hard of hearing children or teens. There will be lots of opportunity for discussion, to ask questions and share experiences. Deaf and hard of hearing role models (teens and young adults) will be participating in our "Cafe Style" lunch.

GETTING THERE

Douglas College, 700 Royal Ave., New Westminster
Room 1630/1640 - Level 1 South
One block north of the New Westminster SkyTrain station. The closest access to the room venue is the 8th Street entrance. Underground pay parking is \$8.00 for the day, cash only. ATM onsite.

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Janet DesGeorges is a mother to three daughters, including Sara who is hard of hearing. She is co-founder and Executive Director of Hands & Voices. Janet has presented internationally about the experiences of families as they journey through life with a child with deafness or hearing loss. As an educational advocate, Janet believes in a parent-driven, professionally-collaborative approach when supporting families in the educational process. Also an author, Ms DesGeorges lives in Boulder, Colorado with her husband Joe and family.



Mark Drolsbaugh is an avid writer. His first book, Deaf Again, was first published in 1997. He has gone on to publish three more books, including Anything But Silent, On the Fence: The Hidden World of the Hard of Hearing, and Madness in the Mainstream. On the horizon is a children's book, The One Hundred Dollar Hearing Aid Battery. Mark currently lives in North Wales, Pennsylvania, with his wife Melanie and their three children. Mark's son Darren is early-deafened.

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