

Roots of Empathy, Holy Trinity Elementary, Brighter Futures Coalition,
and other community partnerships

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Free Lecture

Thursday, January 22, 2009 at 7:00 p.m.

Holy Trinity Elementary Learning Resource Center

The lecture is open to anyone interested in revitalizing their community by insuring every child has the optimum early childhood.

New biological and social science research has shown the critical importance of the early years (pre-natal to 5) of a child's life to later school success and to reducing risks for lifelong health and behaviour problems - such as depression, chronic heart disease, obesity, diabetes, addictions and crime.

This new growing awareness is an opportunity to explore the community's role in partnering to create an integrated approach to support families and children. An approach that will ensure every child gets the best start in life. This evening will allow the community to look at our services from Public Health, Family Place, Early Intervention, Speech and Language, Childcare, Dental, Mental Health, Pediatrics, nutrition, Schools, volunteers and how we can work to integrate these to insure universal access for families.

Evening Agenda

7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. - Introductions and presentation on how early human development influences later health (physical and mental), learning and behaviour and what communities can do to move forward.

8:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. - Group discussion

8:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. - Feedback from groups and closing

*The presentation is sponsored by the **Council for Early Childhood Development***

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