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Promoting student wellbeing in learning environments.

Minister's Address • Saturday morning April 21

Education Minister, Honourable David Eggen



David Eggen was sworn in as the Minister of Education and as the Minister of Culture and Tourism on May 24, 2015.

Mr. Eggen was elected as the Member of the Legislative Assembly for Edmonton-Calder on April 23, 2012 and again on May 5, 2015. He previously represented the constituency from 2004 to 2008 and served as the ND's critic for energy, education, environment and sustainable resource development.

Mr. Eggen was educated at the University of Alberta, where he received a bachelor of education degree in 1984. He then went to Zimbabwe, where he taught for three years. Upon his return to Edmonton he taught at a number of local schools from 1990 to 2004.

In addition to his contributions to education and health care, Mr. Eggen is a trustee with the Forum for Young Albertans and a chair leader of the Canadian Paraplegic Association.

Keynote Speaker • Saturday morning April 21

Dr. Lynn Miller, Ph. D., Lic. Psych.

Faculty Emeritus, University of British Columbia

Mental Health Matters! Psychological issues and their effect on children's lives.



Lynn D. Miller, Ph.D., Lic. Psych started her career as a classroom teacher, and then worked as a school counselor K-12 in the US and Canada.

Dr. Miller is a Licensed Psychologist, Certified Cognitive Behaviour Therapist, and an Associate Professor Emeritus (retired) in the Education and Counseling Psychology and Special Education department at the University of British Columbia.

She has several research grants, including a Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR) grant, examining the effects of supported approaches to child anxiety in the public school system.

Dr. Miller has conducted research on other models of anxiety prevention programs in schools, including Taming Worry Dragons, Skills for Social and Academic Success, Cool Little Kids, as well as an enhanced program for Aboriginal children.

As the Myrne Nevison Prevention Research Professor, she is currently investigating anxiety at the entry to school in grades kindergarten and one.

A representative to Expert Round Table of BC Ministry of Child and Family Development on Mental Health, she helped plan how mental health services were offered in BC, with anxiety identification and service delivery to children and youth as the lead program.

A noted leader in mental health issues of school aged children, she recently completed her term as President of the Anxiety Disorders Assoc. of Canada, 2010-2014, and served as the President of the International Association of Marriage and Family Counselors (2004-2006).