

## BARBARA COLOROSO KICKS OFF NOCLD'S REGIONAL CONFERENCE



Nearly 700 parents and educators registered to hear Barbara Coloroso at the NOCLD Regional Conference Kick-Off held on April 16, 2018.

The Northern Ontario Centre for Learning Differences (NOCLD) kicked off its month long regional conference with keynote speaker Barbara Coloroso last evening. The City of Greater Sudbury and Huntington University partnered with NOCLD to bring this world-renowned parenting expert to our community. With nearly 700 parents and educators registered to attend the event at the Cambrian College Student Life Centre, Barbara Coloroso's keynote address was also livestreamed to satellite offices in North Bay, Sault Ste. Marie and Timmins. Earlier in the day, Barbara Coloroso presented two workshops to twenty community agencies who work closely with the City of Greater Sudbury's Children Services Department to better serve children and families with quality childcare and EarlyON family programs.

Barbara Coloroso is an international bestselling author and for the past 44 years an internationally recognized speaker and consultant on parenting, teaching, school discipline, positive school climate, bullying, grieving, nonviolent conflict resolution and restorative justice. Barbara Coloroso's uniquely effective parenting and teaching strategies were developed through her years of training in sociology, special education, and philosophy. Her strategies have been field-tested through her experiences as a classroom teacher, laboratory school instructor, university instructor, seminar leader, volunteer in Rwanda, and mother of three grown children. (Kids Are Worth It! Inc.)

"With community support, amazing partnerships, funding from the Ontario Trillium Foundation and a Parent Reaching Out Grant from the Ministry of Education, we are able to host our first ever regional conference," said Mary-Liz Warwick, Executive Director of the NOCLD. "Next up, we have Angie DeMarco presenting *Emotions Impact Learning* at Lo-Ellen Park Secondary School in Sudbury on April 25 at 7 p.m. We will then bring a series of workshops to Sault Ste. Marie, Timmins and North Bay over the course of the next four weeks." To find out more about the Regional Conference and for a schedule of upcoming workshops, please visit www.plantingtheseedsforsuccess.ca.