Canadian Parent Conference

For Parents of Children with Deafblindness

CONFERENCE PROGRAM

Canadian Parent Conference
White Oaks Conference Resort
Niagara-on-the-Lake, Ontario
November 5–8, 2026

Main Conference – Studio Rooms 12 & 13

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2026

12:00 – 1:00 p.m.
Lunch – Sunhill Dining Room

1:00 – 1:30 p.m.
Arrival & Welcome - Opening Ceremonies

1:30 – 2:30 p.m.
Ice Breakers – Theresa Tancock

2:30 – 2:45 p.m. - Break

2:45 – 3:45 p.m.
Introduction to Deafblind 101 – Lindsay Border

3:45 – 4:45 p.m.
Calendar Systems & Experience Books – Leanne Kerr

6:00 p.m.
Dinner – Sunhill Dining Room - **Silent Auction Opens**

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2026

7:00 – 9:00 a.m.
Breakfast– Sunhill Dining Room

9:30 – 9:45 a.m. - Welcome

9:45 – 10:45 a.m.
Lived Experience – Scott Mallinson

10:45 – 11:00 a.m. - Break

11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
The Importance of Touch – Christine Sauvé-Guindon

12:00 – 1:30 p.m.
Lunch – Sunhill Dining Room

1:30 – 2:30 p.m.
Forgotten Senses – David Brown

2:30 – 2:45 p.m. - Break

2:45 – 4:00 p.m.
Wills, Trusts, Powers of Attorney – Waterous Holden Amey Hitchon LLP

6:00 p.m.
Dinner – Sunhill Dining Room

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2026

7:00 – 9:00 a.m.
Breakfast– Sunhill Dining Room

9:15 – 10:45 a.m.
Parenting Through the Decades Parent Panel – Moderator: Cathy Proll

10:45 – 11: 00 a.m. - Break

11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
ICF Core Sets-Definition of Deafblindness – Walter Wittich

12:00 – 1:30 p.m.
Lunch – Sunhill Dining Room

1:30 – 2:30 p.m.
Cortical Visual Impairment (CVI) – Christine Sauvé-Guindon

2:30 – 2:45 p.m. - Break

2:45 – 3:45 p.m.
Intervention – Beth Kennedy

5:30 p.m.
Reception – Studio Rooms 10 & 11

6:30 p.m.
Dinner – Studio Rooms 10 & 11

7:30 p.m.
Evening Entertainment – Yan Markson

8:00 p.m.
Silent Auction Closes

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2026

7:00 – 9:00 a.m.
Breakfast– Sunhill Dining Room

9:30 – 10:30 a.m.
Concept Development – Carolyn Monaco

10:30 – 10:45 a.m. - Break

10:45 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Call to Action

12:00 p.m.
Box Lunch & Departure