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Parent Councils Bring Renowned Speaker to Paris for Presentation on Brain Development for Children and Teens

Brantford Ont. – Dr. Jean Clinton, clinical professor in the Department of Psychiatry and Behavioural Neuroscience's Division of Child Psychiatry at McMaster University, is coming to Cobblestone Elementary School on April 30 to speak at a free event for Grand Erie parents titled *The Student Brain Under Construction*.

"Dr. Clinton is known around the world as a respected expert in this field, and is also a tireless advocate committed to ensuring young people's voices are heard and respected," said Nancy Waldschmidt, chair of the parent council at Paris District High School, which, along with the parent councils of Brant County elementary schools, is organizing the event. "We're thrilled to be able to offer this opportunity to parents in the area."

Dr. Clinton is also a senior scientist at the Infant Child Health Lab at McMaster, and a fellow of the Child Trauma Academy. She was appointed as an educational advisor to the Premier of Ontario and the Minister of Education from 2014-18. She has been a consultant to children and youth mental health programs, child welfare, and primary care for more than 30 years.

The event is free to Grand Erie parents, but seating is limited. To reserve a seat, please email Nancy Waldschmidt by April 23 at: <u>nancywaldschmidt@sympatico.ca</u>.

Event Details:

The Student Brain Under Construction with Dr. Jean Clinton

- Tuesday, April 30, 2019
- Cobblestone Elementary School (179 Grandville Circle, Paris, Ontario)
- 6-8 p.m.

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