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INVITED SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

Pushor, D. (2020, June 16). *Parent engagement post Covid-19: The role of the parent, the role of the teacher.* Online presentation, followed by live Q & A, with staff in Sun West School Division, Rosetown, SK.

Pushor, D. (2020, May 21). *Learning at home during a crisis: The role of the parent.* Online presentation, followed by live Q & A, with parents in Thames Valley District School Board, London, ON.

Pushor, D. (2019, November). *Using parent knowledge alongside teacher knowledge through SCCs.* 1st Annual Provincial School Community Council Conference, Regina, SK.

Pushor, D. (2019, August). *Parent engagement: A philosophy and a pedagogy.* District-wide professional development full day session, Prairie South School Division, Moose Jaw, SK.

Pushor, D. (2019, August). *Parent engagement: Living a philosophy and pedagogy of walking alongside.* Prekindergarten and Kindergarten teachers, Greater Saskatoon Catholic Schools, Queen's House, Saskatoon, SK.

Pushor, D. (2019, August). *Parent engagement: Leading a philosophy and pedagogy of walking alongside.* Senior Leadership Retreat, Northern Lights School Division, Prince Albert, SK.

Pushor, D. (2019, June). *Parent engagement and leadership**. Invited address, 2019 Education State School Leadership Conference: Leading Learning for Excellence, State of Victoria Department of Education and Training, Melbourne, VIC, AU.

*4 sessions delivered to different audiences over 2 days. 5000 leaders in attendance over the 5 days of the conference, averaging 1000 attendees per day.

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Pushor, D. (2019, June). *Systematic parent engagement: The work of a school landscape architect*. Regina Public Schools Principals Meeting, Regina, SK.

Pushor, D. (2019, May). *Teacher/parent engagement: Where are you?* Half day system-wide professional development session, Holy Family System Leadership Day, Radville, SK.

Pushor, D. (2019, April). *Relearning parent engagement*. Invited keynote address, Leading Student Achievement, Ontario Council of Principals, Virtual delivery, Saskatoon, SK.

Pushor, D. (2019, April). *Parent engagement: A vision for Saskatchewan*. Invited keynote address, Saskatchewan School Boards Association 2019 Spring General Assembly, Saskatoon, SK.

Pushor, D. (2019, March). *Parent engagement: Moving from random acts to a systematic approach*. Invited workshop session, Pennsylvania Department of Education Bureau of Special Education Annual Conference, Hershey, PA.

Pushor, D. (2019, March). *Parents in the education process*. Invited keynote address, Early Learning Conference, Manitoba First Nations Education Resource Centre Inc., Winnipeg, MB.

Pushor, D. (2019, March). *The voice of parents in decision-making and school engagement*. Invited address, Holy Family Community Forum. Holy Family Board Office, Weyburn, SK.

Pushor, D. (2019, March). *Parent engagement that matters*. Full day professional development session for Connaught School, Living Sky School Division, North Battleford, SK.

Pushor, D. (2019, February). *Parent engagement: It's worth the price of change*. Invited public address, Thames Valley District School Board, London, ON.

Pushor, D. (2018, November). *Parent engagement: A systematic approach*. Invited address, Health Promotion Department, Population and Public Health Saskatoon, Saskatoon, SK.

Pushor, D. (2018, November 20). *The power and potential of parent engagement*. Invited keynote address, Regina Public Schools School Community Council Forum, Regina, SK.

Pushor, D. (2018, October 20). *Using parent knowledge alongside teacher knowledge*. Invited keynote address, Growing Together Conference: School Community Councils and Parent Engagement. Martensville, SK.

Pushor, D. (2018, October 11). *The unrealized potential of parent engagement*. Invited panel presentation, Provincial Education Summit, SK Ministry Vision 2030, Saskatoon, SK.

Pushor, D. (2018, August 25). *Using parent knowledge alongside teacher knowledge to enhance teaching and learning*. Invited keynote address, Tasmanian Association of State School Organizations (TASSO) Conference 2018, Hobart, TAS, AU.

Pushor, D. (2018, August 23). *The critical use of parent knowledge in the engagement of parents*. Full day workshop-seminar, co-hosted event by Victorian Parents Council and Australian Parents Council, Melbourne, VIC, AU.

Pushor, D. (2018, August 22). *Teaching pre-service teachers about parent/carer engagement in schools*. Invited public lecture, Monash University, Melbourne, VIC, AU.

Pushor, D. (2018, August 22). *The role of the Department of Education in establishing a systematic approach to parent engagement*. Invited presentation and discussion, Victoria State Department of Education and Training, Melbourne, VIC, AU.

Pushor, D. (2018, August 20). *Parent engagement: Moving from “random acts” to a systematic approach*. Invited keynote address, Shedding Light on Family Engagement, Parents Victoria 2018 Conference, Melbourne, Australia.

Pushor, D. (2018, August 17). *Parent engagement: The art of knowing*. Invited keynote address, Family, Youth & Children’s Services Conference, Essendon Fields, VIC, AU.

Pushor D. and the Parent Engagement Collaborative IV. (2018, June). *Systematic parent engagement in the early years*. Invited full day session with all members of the Early Years Branch, Ministry of Education, Regina, SK.

Pushor, D. (2018, May). *The untapped potential of parent and family engagement*. Invited keynote, Provincial Attendance Symposium, Saskatchewan Ministry of Education, Saskatoon, SK.

Pushor, D. (2018, April). *Parent engagement: A bridge between home and school*. Invited professional development day with staff and parents, Dinsmore Composite School, Dinsmore, SK.

Pushor, D. (2018, March). *Parent engagement in education and schooling*. Invited address, Thames Valley Council of Home and School Associations, London, ON.

Pushor, D. (2018, March). *Using parent knowledge in teaching and learning*. Invited address for parents and educators, Dubbo Diocese, Dubbo, NSW, Australia.

Pushor, D. (2018, March). *Parent engagement in schooling and education*. Invited address for parents and educators, Wagga Wagga Diocese, Wagga Wagga, NSW, Australia.

Pushor, D. (2018, March). *Strategic initiatives to establish systematic parent engagement*. Invited full day dialogue with Catholic School Parents Victoria, Bendigo, VIC, Australia.

Pushor, D. & Ortero, G. (2018, March). *Enhancing educational outcomes*. Invited full day dialogue with Catholic Education Office senior administrators, Bendigo Diocese, Bendigo, VIC, Australia.



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Pushor, D. (2018, March). *Building the educational community: Engaging parents in teaching and learning*. Invited address for educators and parents, Marist College, Bendigo, VIC, Australia.

Pushor, D. (2018, March). *Using parent knowledge in teaching and learning*. Invited full day address for administrators and teachers, Bendigo, VIC, Australia.

Pushor, D. (2018, February). *Parent engagement: A bridge between home and school*. Invited full day address for administrators and teachers, Footscray, VIC, Australia.

Pushor, D. (2018, February). *Parent engagement in education and schooling*. Invited full day address, Ballarat Diocese, Ballarat, VIC, Australia.

Pushor, D. (2018, February). *Building the educational community: Systematic parent engagement*. Invited address, Prairie Spirit School Division's Administrators' Meeting, Warman, SK.

Pushor, D. (2018, February). Invited address, *The role of school community councils in engaging parents and community*. Sun West School Division, Rosetown, SK.

Pushor, D. (2017, August). Engaging with parents through home visits. Invited half day professional development day with staff of King George School, Saskatoon, SK.

Pushor, D. (2017, June). Parents and teachers: From foreigners to world travelers. Invited address, Archdiocese of Canberra & Goulburn, Canberra, ACT, Australia.

Pushor, D. (2017, June). Parent engagement master class: Taking up a curriculum of parents. Invited address, Broken Bay Diocese, NSW, Australia.

Pushor, D. (2017, June). Walking together towards authentic partnership. Invited address, Catholic Education Sandhurst, Shepparton, VIC, Australia.

Pushor, D. (2017, June). The critical use of parent knowledge in the engagement of parents. Invited keynote address, Parent Engagement Conference, Australian Research Alliance for Children and Youth, Melbourne, VIC, Australia.



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Pushor, D. (2017, June). Walking alongside: A pedagogy of working with parents and families. Half day conference workshop, Parent Engagement Conference, Australian Research Alliance for Children and Youth, Melbourne, VIC, Australia.

Pushor, D. (2017, June). An afternoon conversation with Dr. Debbie Pushor. Invited dialogue, Southern Australia Catholic School Parent Communities, Adelaide, SA, Australia.

Pushor, D. (2017, June). *Parents and teachers: From foreigners to world travelers.* Invited address to elementary teachers and parents, Parents and Friends Federation of Queensland, Brisbane, QLD, Australia.

Pushor, D. (2017, May). Parent engagement in teaching and learning. Invited address to secondary teachers and parents, Parents and Friends Federation of Queensland, Brisbane, QLD, Australia.

Pushor, D. (2017, May). Parent engagement: Adding depth. Exploring a pedagogy of walking alongside. Invited address, Parents and Friends Federation of Queensland, Cairns, QLD, Australia.

Pushor, D. (2017, May). Parent engagement: Practices of possibility. Invited address, Parents and Friends Federation of Queensland, Cairns, QLD, Australia.

Pushor, D. (2017, May). *Parents and teachers: From foreigners to world travelers.* Invited address to elementary teachers, Parents and Friends Federation of Queensland, Townsville, QLD, Australia.

Pushor, D. (2017, May). Parent engagement in schooling and education. Invited address, Parents and Friends Federation of Western Australia, Perth, WA, Australia.

Pushor, D. (2017, May). Parent engagement in PreK and K. Invited address, Horizon School Division, Humboldt, SK.



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Pushor, D. (2016, November). Parent engagement in a community education setting. Invited professional development session for elementary teachers at Stobbart Community School, Duck Lake, SK.

Pushor, D. (2016, October). *Community education: "Making space for me and my people in the curriculum. Half day professional development session for the staff of Princess Alexandra Community School, Saskatoon, SK.*

Pushor, D. (2016, September). *Effective parent engagement in high school: It's possible!* Invited keynote address for parents and educators, Harry Ainlay School Council, Edmonton, AB.

Pushor, D. (2016, August). *Authentic parent and family engagement.* Invited address, Prince Albert Catholic School Division #6, Prince Albert, SK.

Pushor, D. (2016, May). *A curriculum of parents.* Keynote address, Parents and Friends Associations, Queensland Post-Secondary Institutions and Professional Associations, Brisbane, Queensland, AU.

Pushor, D. (2016, May). *Parent engagement: Working in relationship with parents.* Evening keynote address, Parents and Friends Associations, Queensland Catholic Schools, Toowoomba, Queensland, AU.

Pushor, D. (2016, May). *Taking your place in a gentle revolution.* Invited address to board members, National Federations of Parents and Friends Associations in Catholic Education, Brisbane, Queensland, AU.

Pushor, D. (2016, May). *Parent engagement: You are richer than you think.* Keynote address, Parents and Friends Associations, Queensland Catholic Schools, Cairns, Queensland, AU.



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Pushor, D. (2016, May). *As your guardian, as your keeper for life.* Keynote address for parents, Parents and Friends Associations, Queensland Catholic Schools, Rockhampton, Queensland, AU.

Pushor, D. (2016, April). *Engaging parents and educators in a circle of shared responsibility.* Keynote address, Queensland Catholic Schools Parent Conference, Engaged Communities for the Future, Rockhampton, Queensland, AU.

Pushor, D. (2016, April). *Living in the space of transformation.* Keynote address, Saskatchewan Association for Community Education, Communities of Hope Conference, Acknowledging our Past to Build Our Future, Saskatoon, SK.

Pushor, D. (2016, April). *Engaging parents and educators in a circle of shared responsibility.* Keynote address, Upper Grand District School Board and the Parent Involvement Committee, Guelph, ON.

Pushor, D. (2016, April). *Together we can make a difference: Becoming a ready school.* Invited address, 2016 Yukon School Councils' Conference, Whitehorse, Yukon.

Pushor, D. (2016, April). *Parent engagement: Wisdom comes on silent wings.* Keynote address, 2016 Yukon School Councils' Conference, Whitehorse, Yukon.

Pushor, D. (2015, November). *Working as co-researchers: Ensuring equitable voice and representation in research.* Keynote address, Learning from Practice Conference, Dr. Stirling McDowell Foundation for Research into Teaching, Saskatoon, SK.

Pushor, D. (2015, October). *Family engagement: Working in relationship with parents.* Keynote address, 2nd Annual Early Childhood Educators' Workshop, Brandon Healthy Families Team, Brandon, MB.

Pushor, D. (2015, October). *Family engagement: Working in relationship with parents.* Keynote address for the Valleyview and Area Early Childhood Development Coalition, Valleyview, AB.



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Pushor, D. (2015, October). *School councils: Engaging parents in a circle of shared responsibility.* Keynote address at the General Meeting of School Council Chairs and Trustees, Calgary Catholic School District, Calgary, AB.

Pushor, D. (2015, July). *Using parent knowledge to enhance success for students.* Canadian School Boards' Association Congress, Saskatoon, SK.

Pushor, D. (2015, April). *Parent engagement: Markers that guide our way.* Invited keynote address for the Alberta School Councils' Conference, Edmonton, AB.

Pushor, D. (2015, January). *Parent engagement: Inviting parents to walk alongside.* Two invited addresses for educators, Brandon School Division, Brandon, MB.

Pushor, D. (2015, January). *Early years parent engagement.* Invited keynote address for Saskatchewan Rivers Public School Division Pre-Kindergarten Educators, Prince Albert, SK.

Pushor, D. (2015, January). *Caring for children, caring about parents.* Invited address for the Saskatchewan Early Childhood Association, Elkridge Resort, Prince Albert National Park, SK.

Pushor, D. (2014, December). *School community councils: No distance between us.* Invited keynote address for the School Community Council Assembly, Light of Christ RCSSD#16, North Battleford, SK.

Pushor, D. (2014, June). *Parent engagement: A responsibility in education and schooling.* Invited address for the Saskatchewan School Boards Association Trustee Academy, Jackfish Lake, Cochin, SK.

Pushor, D. (2014, May). *Sharing button memories.* Keynote address, Early Learning and Childcare Month, Second Annual Kick Off. SIAST, Mount Royal Campus, Saskatoon, SK.



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Pushor, D. (2014, May). Early years family and community engagement: Creating a circle of shared responsibility. Opening keynote address, Welcome to Kindergarten™ Early Years Family and Community Engagement Symposium Research to Practice – Taking Action, Winnipeg, Manitoba.

Pushor, D. (2014, March). *Building relationships: The foundation to community-engaged scholarship*. Invited half-day session for the Gwenna Moss Centre for Teaching Effectiveness, University of Saskatchewan.

Pushor, D. (2014, February). *Family Engagement in the Early Years Session 3: Acknowledging and understanding family expertise and diversity*. Full day address to Battlefords' Early Learning Partners: Living Sky School Division, Kids First, ECIP, Prairie North Health Region, and Light of Christ Catholic School Division.

Pushor, D. & Khan, M. (2014, February). *Living as a guest host with multicultural Canadian parents*. Preschool Information Registry & Service Inc. Conference Global Village in Action: Children Working and Playing, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan.

Pushor, D. (2013, December). *Family Engagement in the Early Years Session 2: Building positive and authentic relationships with families*. Full day address to Battlefords' Early Learning Partners: Living Sky School Division, Kids First, ECIP, Prairie North Health Region, and Light of Christ Catholic School Division.

Pushor, D. (2013, November). *Growing a dream: With the believe of childhood, the do of youth, and the think of experience*. Keynote address at the Northern Lights School Division School Community Councils' Conference, Prince Albert, SK.

Pushor, D. (2013, September). *Family Engagement in the Early Years Session 1: Family involvement versus family engagement: Beliefs and assumptions about parents and families*. Full day address to Battlefords' Early Learning Partners: Living Sky School Division, Kids First, ECIP, Prairie North Health Region, and Light of Christ Catholic School Division.



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Pushor, D. (2013, July). *Dis/Positioning ourselves with parents*. Live Skype address to undergraduate students/practicing early childhood educators in a course entitled, Parent and Community Involvement, University of Prince Edward Island.

Pushor, D. (2013, April). *A journey toward parent engagement: Diverging from the well-worn path*. An invited Kindergarten Professional Learning Session in the series of workshops, Making Learning Visible: Parent Engagement and the Documentation Process. Greater Saskatoon Catholic Schools, Saskatoon, SK.

Pushor, D. (2013, April). *Making relationships count: Enhancing student achievement through parent engagement*. Invited presentation at the Saskatchewan Community Schools Association Conference, Achieving in Education: We're All in it Together, Saskatoon, SK.

Pushor, D. (2013, February). *Parent engagement in challenging times. Making it happen: Exemplary parent engagement*. Invited workshop presentation for the Thames Valley Parent Involvement Committee Conference, London, ON.

Pushor, D. (2013, January). *The parent-child relationship: "No one but you."* An invited Kindergarten Professional Learning Session in the series of workshops, Making Learning Visible: Parent Engagement and the Documentation Process. Greater Saskatoon Catholic Schools, Saskatoon, SK.

Ciuffetelli Parker, D. & **Pushor, D.** (2012, November). *Teacher inquiry into storied assumptions of poverty and parents*. Invited address for the Ontario College of Teachers, Toronto, ON.

Pushor, D. (2012, November). *Parent engagement: "You are richer than you think."* Invited keynote address at the Joy of Childhood Conference, Richmond Hill, ON.

Pushor, D. (2012, November). *Parent engagement: Making the most of your riches*. Invited workshop presentation at the Joy of Childhood Conference, Richmond Hill, ON.



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Pushor, D. & Banks, D. (2012, March). *School community councils: No distance between us*. Invited pre-congress workshop, Seventeenth National Congress on Rural Education in Canada: Celebrating Rural Schools, Saskatoon, SK.

Pushor, D. (2012, March). *School climate: How do we make it safe and welcoming for parents, families, and community members?* Invited keynote address at the Canadian Safe School Network Safe Schools Conference, Edmonton, AB.

Pushor, D. (2011, November). *Parent engagement*. Presentation at Horizon School Division's Principals Meeting, Lanigan, SK.

Pushor, D. (2011, October). *Pleasant Hill School: Whose house is it? Living as guest hosts on a school landscape*, Saskatoon, SK. Full day professional development session.

Pushor, D. (2011, October). *Parent engagement*. Invited address, League of Educational Administrators, Directors and Superintendents in Saskatchewan (LEADS), Early Learning Module, Saskatoon, SK.

Pushor, D. (2011, October). *Taking up a new disposition: Being a "guest host" as an early childhood educator*. Invited workshop presented at the Saskatchewan Early Childhood Education Council Fall Conference, Saskatoon, SK.

Pushor, D. (2011, October). *School climate: How do we make it safe and welcoming?* Invited keynote address at the Canadian Safe School Network Safe Schools Conference, Toronto, ON.

Pushor, D. (2011, May). *Parent engagement*. York Region Best Start Network, Newmarket, ON.

Pushor, D. (2011, March). *Engaging parents: A bridge to continuous improvement*. Saskatoon Tribal Council Conference. Muskoday First Nation, SK. Full day invited session.



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Pushor, D. (2011, February). *Beliefs and assumptions about parents and families: What you give is what you get returned.* Professional development day for the teachers and staff of Churchill Community High School, Gordon Denny Community School, and Pre-Cam Community School, LaRonge, SK.

Pushor, D. (2011, February). *Parents: Integral and essential.* Invited keynote address at West Meadow Elementary School's Parent Conference 2011: Linking Parents to Student Success, Claresholm, AB.

Pushor, D. (2010, November). *Standing together: Forming strong links in a care chain.* Invited keynote address presented at Exemplary Parent Engagement: Let's Talk, a conference sponsored by the Family Supports Institute of Ontario, Scarborough, ON.

Pushor, D. (2010, August). *Family and community engagement: Broadening our focus.* Invited opening address, Saskatoon Tribal Council Teachers Conference, Saskatoon, SK.

Pushor, D. (2010, May). *Family and Community Engagement: Broadening our Focus.* Half day professional development session, Father Gorman Community School, Lloydminster, Saskatchewan.

Pushor, D. (2010, March). *Family and Community Engagement in Out-of-School Places.* Invited presentation, Saskatchewan Community Schools Association Conference, Saskatoon, SK.

Pushor, D. (2010, January). *Joining our Voices: Parent Engagement in the Early Years.* Invited address to parents, educators, and childcare providers, Early Childhood Community Development Centre, Niagra Catholic District School Board and the District School Board of Niagra, St. Catharine's, ON.



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Pushor, D. (2009, November). Invited address to parents, school council members, educators, and trustees, *Partners in Catholic Education: A Spirit of Collaboration*, 9th Annual Catholic School Council Conference, York Catholic District School Board and the York Catholic Parent Involvement Committee, Aurora, ON.

Pushor, D. (2009, October). *Parent Engagement in Schools: Rethinking Beliefs and Practices*. Invited module presentation, League of Educational Administrators, Directors and Superintendents in Saskatchewan (LEADS), Early Learning Module, Saskatoon, SK.

Pushor, D. (2009, October.) *Parent Engagement: Taking the 'Secret' out of "The Secret Garden"*, Invited address to parents, school council members, educators, and trustees, Thames Valley Parent Learning Forum, London, ON.

Pushor, D. (2009, September). *Parent Engagement: Connecting Schools and Families*. Invited address to administrators, teachers, and staff. Ottawa Carleton District School Board, Ottawa, ON.

Pushor, D. (2009, September). *Parent Engagement: Connecting Schools and Families*. Invited address to parents, school council members, and the public. Ottawa Carleton District School Board, Ottawa, ON.

Pushor, D. (2009, April). *Parents and families: Integral links in a care chain*. Invited keynote address. Ontario Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development Parents as Partners Conference, Guelph, ON.

Pushor, D. (2009, March). Engaging parents: What does it take? Invited conference presentation. Saskatchewan First Nations Early Childhood Circle, Early Learning Child Development Training, Saskatoon, SK.

Pushor, D. (2009, March). *Student engagement*. Invited address for the Saskatoon Multilingual Schools Association Spring Workshops for Heritage Language Teachers, Saskatoon, SK.



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Pushor, D. (2008, November). *Engaging parents: Your work as candlemakers*. Invited address, Greater Saskatoon Catholic Schools Central Services Administrators and School Principals Program Meeting, Saskatoon, SK.

Pushor, D. (2008, October). *Seeing all parents as knowers and knowledgeable*. Invited address, Northern Area Teachers Association (NATA) Conference, Prince Albert, SK.

Pushor, D. (2008, April). *Parent knowledge, knowledge of parents: Enhancing our school landscapes*. Invited keynote address, Scarborough Parent Conference, Toronto, ON.

Pushor, D. (2008, February). *Parent engagement: Impacting educational outcomes*. Invited address, Manitoba Education, School Program Division, Instruction, Curriculum and Assessment Branch, Winnipeg, MB.

Pushor, D. (2008, February). *Lighting the path: Leadership development for principals*. Invited full day address, Manitoba Education, Winnipeg, MB.

Pushor, D. (2008, February). *Community engagement: We are all family*. Invited address, Wanipigow School, Hollow Waters Reserve, MB.

Pushor, D. (2007, November). *Parent engagement: What really matters?* Invited address, Making Connections: A People for Education Conference on Education Issues, Toronto,

Pushor, D. (2004, August). *Working alongside parents: Schooling practices of possibility*. Invited keynote address, Halifax Principals' Retreat, Halifax, NS.