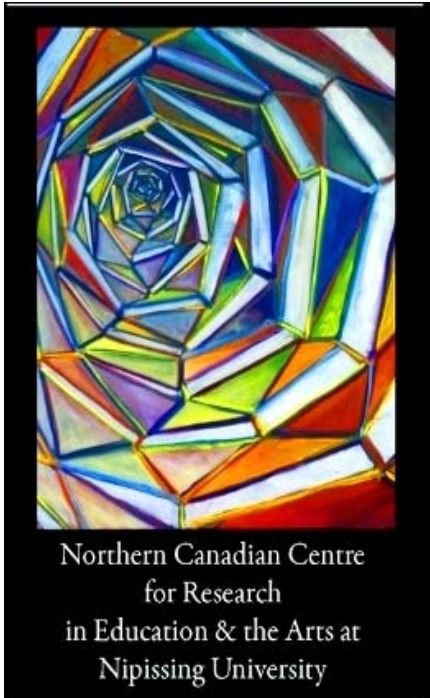


North Bay Literacy Council

Are you interested in knowing more about students at risk, and strategies to help them?



Did you know that:

- 42-48% of Canadians have literacy problems and 25% can not perform basic literacy?
- about 30% of Ontario students do not graduate high school, and boys' attrition rates and literacy problems tend to be higher than girls?
- issues associated with illiteracy are unemployment and poor health?
- the average grade level of Canadian prisoners, predominantly male, is grade 4?
- 30% of people with literacy problems are on welfare, 30% work, and 30% are on disability?
- statistics for illiteracy in North Bay are higher than in ON?
- 48% of Mattawa residents have less than grade 12?

The Northern Canadian Centre for Research in Education & the Arts (NORCCREA) is pleased to present Jane Jackson, Executive Coordinator of the North Bay Literacy Council, **Wedn., April 1st, in A144 from 1-2h30 p.m.** Meet some students who have progressed through the Literacy Council's programs and hear their unique, personal stories from childhood through adulthood:

This is a story about me. I could not read a book in my life until the Literacy Council. - John T.

With the writing and reading skills that I have acquired, I now stand on my own two feet. I am unafraid! – Jeannine V.

Space is limited, so please confirm your attendance prior to April 1st by emailing your name and position (e.g. staff, faculty, student) to: norccrea@nipissingu.ca