



Community-based psychology projects vie for Agnes Penner Prize

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London, ON - Students in the Applications of Psychological Science class at King's University College, led by Dr. Marcie Penner-Wilger, will present their community-based learning research projects to a Community Panel, Tuesday, March 29th from 8:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m., in the Vitali Student Lounge, Wemple Building, 266 Epworth Ave., London. Panel members will award the Agnes Penner Prize to the project with the greatest potential to benefit society.

This year, student teams designed a self-compassion program to foster resiliency in children, a psycho-educational program to support family caregivers of children with developmental disabilities, and a wait-list program to support children and their families until they receive mental health services.

Teams from previous years will also provide updates on their projects including the King's Academic Mentoring Program (KAMP), PEARS mental health education program and Stress Management and Parenting Skills program.

This year's panelists include:

- *Lori Higgs* - VP Corporate Services and CFO, St. Joseph's Health Care, London.
- *Michelle McIntyre* - Social Worker in private practice and instructor at King's University College, Fanshawe College
- *John Pare* - Chief of Police, London Police.
- *Dale Petruka* - Research Coordinator, Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board and Principal of St. Peter School, Brantford.
- *Lori Runciman* - Director of Grants, London Community Foundation.

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