



**HOME EDUCATORS** *of New Brunswick Ltd.*

**PARENTS ÉDUCATEURS** *du Nouveau-Brunswick Ltée.*

November 7, 2014

## Welcome home educators!

This day has been planned just for you. We desire to inspire, ignite and encourage you on your home education journey. The workshops were chosen with you in mind to provide training specifically for home educators. We hope that you will leave feeling refreshed, energized, strengthened and that the day was beneficial to each of you.

Aralee, Loana, Melanie  
2014 PD Day Coordinators

## Schedule

9:00 - 9:45	Open registration
9:00 - 9:45	Continental Breakfast
9:45 - 10:00	Welcome
10:00 - 11:00	Workshop #1: Understanding Your Child's Personality
11:00 - 11:30	Workshop #2: Healthy Snacks
11:30 - 12:30	Workshop #3: Homeschooling Through High School
12:30 - 1:00	Lunch
1:00 - 2:00	Workshop #4: Planning to Succeed
2:00 - 2:30	Activity
2:30 - 3:00	Coffee break
3:00 - 3:45	Workshop #5: Homeschooling When It's Hard
3:45 - 4:00	Closing



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## Workshops

### **#1: Understanding Your Child's Personality (Peter Coombes)**

The personality profile is based on four basic personalities found in Ezekiel and Revelation. The DISC profile is a great course that has been developed to help people understand how God created four personalities that make up the entire picture of God's image. The DISC profile will help you understand why people are the way they are and how to properly relate to a different personality than your own. DISC is a great tool for children and adults in a school setting, work, family and marriage. The presentation will give an overview of the four personality types and how each personality approaches tasks and relationships.

### **#2: Healthy Snacks (Virginia Frazer)**

Virginia enjoys baking and cooking a good meal but with the challenges of eating whole foods and health issues like celiac and many voices always saying "I am hungry" it can be overwhelming. Virginia put together a repertoire of quick but healthy and tasty snacks that her children enjoy. We will be partaking in some taste testing while learning tips we can take home and use in our own kitchens.

### **#3: Homeschooling Through High School (Stephanie Jackson)**

They're teenagers; they drive, they work, they socialize, they sleep in, they have their own opinions. Many families choose to send their children to public school because the thought of parenting a teen along with the fear of not meeting their educational needs can be overwhelming. We will discuss some of the things you can do to help make your high school home school a success.

### **#4: Planning to Succeed (Stephanie Jackson)**

Does sleep elude you on Sunday night as you struggle to prepare for the upcoming week? Are you at a loss when you think of how to keep track of what everyone is doing? Taking the time to lay out a plan (one that works for you – not just one that looks good) can make all the difference.

### **#5: Homeschooling When It's Hard (Kara Thomson)**

We're so thankful for seasons and fall is a beautiful one in NB. There are seasons in our home school journey as well, and some of them aren't so pretty!

Kara will talk about how we can find encouragement, what we do when we find ourselves in a pit and how we can encourage others in their hard seasons.



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## Special Speakers

### **Peter Coombes**

Peter Coombes has served in full time ministry as a youth pastor, assistant pastor and senior pastor over the course of 11 years in Baton Rouge, Louisiana. His wife Alicia homeschooled their children and was a Christian School principal for 2 years. They currently serve as volunteers at City Impact Church in Moncton as the directors of the satellite campuses. Peter has a passion to teach the Church about how God created different personalities to present His full image.

### **Virginia Frazer**

Virginia Frazer is a second generation homeschooler to her five, lively young children and wife to local business man, Tim. She really enjoys embracing all life has to offer and when she is not busy caring and nurturing her family, Virginia likes to spend time with friends, being out in nature, reading a good book, travelling and sharing Christ's love. She is also involved in several local groups that support homeschooling or home birth. And in the midst of this all is the never-ending need to feed someone.

### **Stephanie Jackson**

As a wife to Jeff and mother of five, Stephanie has been involved in home school support since 1998. Living in the beautiful ocean community of the Eastern Shore in Nova Scotia, they have five children learning through elementary school to university. Stephanie has always developed an eclectic curriculum and is excited to change and adjust it to meet the family's needs each year. Stephanie is the Executive Director of HEMS (Helping, Encouraging, Mentoring and Serving), a provincial support organization in Nova Scotia. Stephanie has published two books, "Love the Journey", a collection of devotions and "Planning to Succeed", a help for home school planning. Stephanie enjoys working alongside those that are embarking on their home school journey and has had many great opportunities to meet homeschoolers throughout North America as a conference speaker and as a home school mum. For more information on what's going on in Nova Scotia or to contact Stephanie about speaking in your area, please visit the HEMS website [www.hems-ns.ca](http://www.hems-ns.ca)

### **Kara Thomson**

Kara has been married to her husband Mike for 17, the mom of 5 kids (1 girl, 4 boys) for 15 years and has been a child of God for 20 years. She is passionate about having intimacy with Jesus, learning His ways of unbelievable grace and mercy and is faithful at sharing His light and beauty as she journeys with others that He places on her path.