



BOY SMARTS ACTION TALK

BECAUSE IT'S BETTER TO BUILD BOYS THAN TO MEND MEN!



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Register before June 30
and bring a guest for free!

Past participants can register
for a refresher at 50% off

RATHER than suppressing a boy's high-spirited physicality and aggression, or his sensitive and shy reluctance, learn constructive ways to respond to his varied needs so he can express himself in safe and respectful ways.

LEARN how to listen beyond your son's frustration and anger to connect with him, and to understand his deeper needs.

LEARN how to advocate for your son at school to ensure that he receives optimal support and guidance.

TAKE ADVANTAGE OF EARLYBIRD SPECIALS:
REGISTER 4 PEOPLE FOR THE PRICE OF 3
BRING A GUEST FOR FREE UNTIL JUNE 30TH

BARRY MACDONALD is a skilled educator, author, and Registered Clinical Counsellor, who will expertly lead you through the corridors of boyhood. His highly practical and positive approach will inspire you to mentor your son to be successful at school, and become a man of courage and compassion.

REGISTER AT WWW.MENTORINGBOYS.COM



AGENDA

AUTHENTIC CONFIDENCE
& SELF-ESTEEM COMES
FROM THE LIVED EXPERI-
ENCE OF FEELING CAPABLE,
CONNECTED TO OTHERS,
AND KNOWING THAT YOU
HAVE SOMETHING TO OFFER.



WHEN boys get stuck in their scholastic or emotional development and compensate with a show of hyper-masculinity they need parents and significant adults to mentor them on the road to a healthy and socially constructive manhood.

Depending on the needs of the group we will explore the following topics:

- Understand how boys' varied needs require differing positive responses.
- Reframe adult attitudes to cultivate resiliency in boys.
- Learn how to respond to emotional melt-downs so boys will talk and listen.
- Learn how to communicate with a boy who is withdrawn, angry, or distant.
- Learn how to discipline constructively and say what you mean and mean what you say.
- Learn how to encourage healthy independence so confidence will flourish.
- What is the trouble with traditional learning for boys in the electronic age?
- Learn how to help boys navigate video games, facebook, and other technology.
- Learn how to foster peace with siblings to nurture empathy and compassion.
- Learn how to teach your son to manage stress and to regulate his emotions.
- Learn how to respond to poor grades, excessive homework, ADHD, bullying, anxiety, and motivation problems.
- Learn how to support a boy's internal motivation and advocate for him at school.
- Learn how to help your son develop a sense of community, respect for others, healthy skepticism, and appreciation for diversity.

- The workshop format is interactive, with a combination of short presentations followed by 'how to apply' questions and discussion. While the agenda of topics addressed is similar for each workshop, each workshop varies depending on participant interest.

- Please note that this workshop is educational in nature and is not designed to replace individual or family counselling.



Mentor your son to become a man of courage and compassion.

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Saturdays, 9am - 1pm

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- **Ottawa** May 3, 2014 Earlybird until April 18 at 6pm
Hellenic Centre, 1315 Prince of Wales Drive, Ottawa
- **Victoria** September 27, 2014 Earlybird until September 12 at 6pm
University of Victoria
- **Vancouver** October 4, 2014 Earlybird until September 19 at 6pm
Unity of Vancouver, 5840 Oak Street, Vancouver
- **Calgary** October 18, 2014 Earlybird until October 3 at 6pm
Cardel Theatre, 180 Quarry Park Blvd SE, Calgary
- **Toronto** November 15, 2014 Earlybird until October 31 at 6pm
Venue to be announced
- **Edmonton** November 22, 2014 Earlybird until November 7 at 6pm
Venue to be announced
- **Montreal** November 29, 2014 Earlybird until November 14 at 6pm
Venue to be announced

Register online

• Pay by credit card with  at www.MentoringBoys.com

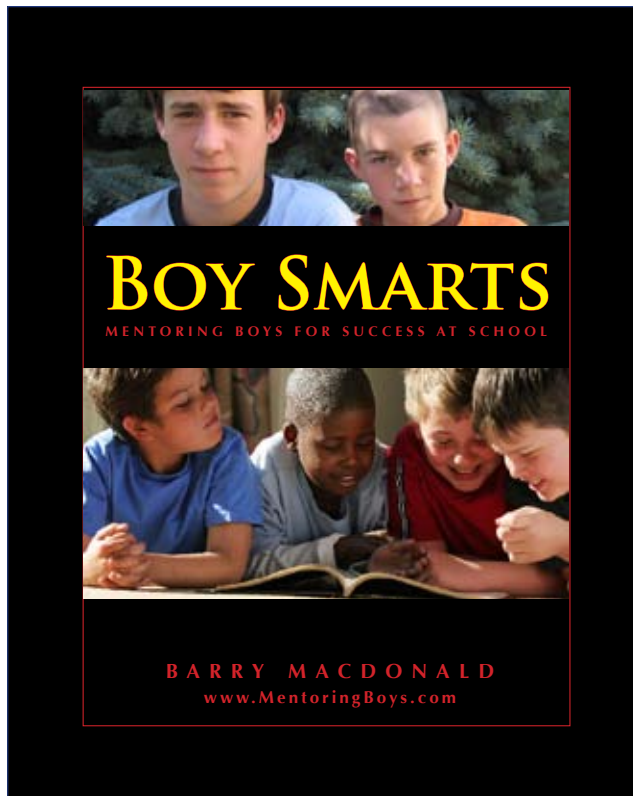
- **Earlybird fee \$99 + tax** Amazing Value! Fee includes 2 complimentary books.
If ordered separately these books retail at \$67 online
- **Regular fee \$135 + tax**
 - **Boy Smarts - Mentoring Boys for Success at School**
 - **Boys On Target - Raising Boys into Men of Courage & Compassion**

• **Past participant fee \$49 + tax** (does not include books)

- See the website registration page to register 4 for the price of 3 OR to bring a guest for free
- Paypal will provide you with a receipt, which becomes your ticket and proof of purchase
- A reminder email will be sent to the email address you used to make PayPal payment (please let us know if you prefer we use an alternative email address).
- No refunds. Transfer to another event is not granted after earlybird date OR after event is sold out
Please note that we retain the right to change venue. Questions? Email... info@mentoringboys.com
- Register today! Workshops have consistently **SOLD OUT** before the earlybird date



2 Great complementary books are included!



Boys on Target contents...

Foreword by Dr. Sue Ann Cairns

The Plight of Boys

Gender Identities & Cultural Expectations

1 *The Uniqueness of Boys*

2 *Why is My Boy So Rambunctious?*

3 *How Can I stop My Young Son from Hitting?*

Boys in the Family Matrix

4 *Initiating Conversation with Boys*

5 *Sibling Rivalry Beyond Cain & Abel*

6 *Sibling Rivalry—Finding a Point of Balance*

7 *Fostering Peace on the Home Front*

8 *Father Hunger*

Parents, Boys, & the Culture of Schools

9 *Should We Delay Kindergarten Entry for Boys?*

10 *How Can I Get My Boy to Read?*

11 *What if Your Boy Is Being Bullied?*

12 *Freeing Boys from Anxiety*

13 *Should I Reward My Son With Cash for Grades?*

14 *Hooked on Video Games!*

15 *Are Boys Spending Enough Time Outdoors?*



Questions About Boys & Schools

16 *Concerns About ADHD*

17 *Auditory Processing Challenges*

18 *Parent-Teacher Conferences*

19 *Recess Matters*

20 *Should Recess be Withdrawn for Incomplete Schoolwork?*

21 *Questioning Zero Tolerance & School Suspension*

22 *When Sitting Still Is Not Enough*

23 *Reframing Attitudes Toward Active Learners*

24 *Appreciating Visual-Spatial Learners*

25 *Questioning Single-Gender Education*

Boys & School Success

26 *Flexible & Creative Educators Help Turn Failure Into Success*

27 *The Curveball of Learning*

28 *Responding Creatively to Masked Anxiety*

29 *Cultivating Capability*

30 *Developing Independence*

31 *Fostering Resiliency*

*Collaborating to Generate Positive Solutions
So What Can We Do?*