

Professional learning events, encounters and exposures

All events, encounters and exposures offered by Dufferin County's early learning capacity-building initiative will be sent to supervisors when registration is open.

Supervisors are encouraged to share opportunities by forwarding these to the Early Childhood Educators in their Child Care Centres and/or making these visible in their Child Care Centres.

Each event, encounter or exposure will have a link that directs you to our Raising the Bar webpage. Note: in order to register for events, exposures, or encounters hosted by Dufferin County, you will first need to create a login in order to sign up.

By creating your login, you now have an account. With each chosen registration, the system will generate a dashboard for you. This formulates an individual collection of all your events, encounters, and exposures that you have attended or plan to attend. By registering for these, you will also be sent reminders, cancellations and/or updates to the events, encounters and exposures for which you have registered.

Our Raising the Bar webpage offers resources such as videos, articles, updates, projects, early learning careers and professional learning announcements beyond our borders. All of these can be accessed without a login.

All Dufferin County's directly hosted opportunities will be "hidden" and require your login. All opportunities outside of Dufferin County are available to open/view without logging in.

If you register and then would like to cancel your registration in advance, it is the registrant's responsibility to notify host (ltaylor@dufferincounty.ca), within 48 hours if possible.

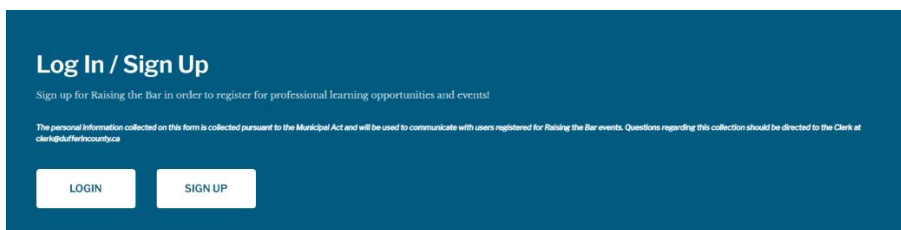
If you attempt to register for an event and receive an email saying denied, it is due to a full capacity and you will be added to our waitlist.

To Create or Access Your Account:

Anyone interested in any professional learning/event/encounter/exposure or any networking in Dufferin County will need to create a personal account on the Raising the Bar webpage.

To do so – visit <https://www.dufferincounty.ca/childrens-services/raising-bar>

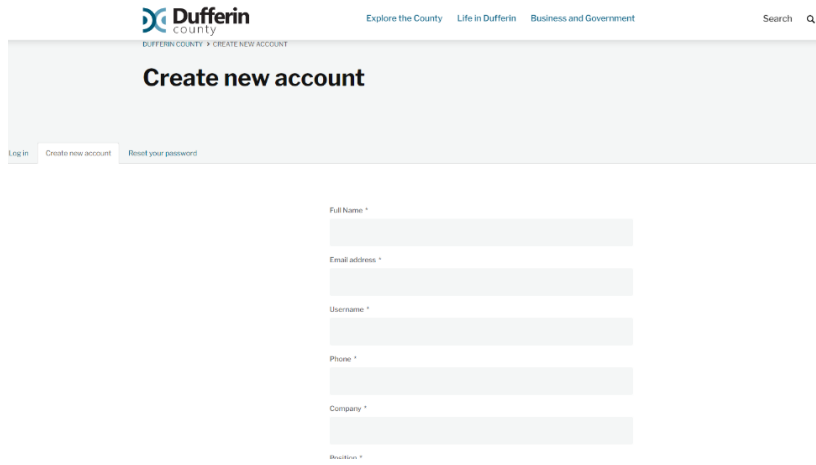
Scroll down to the bottom of the page and look for:



If you are a new user, click "Sign up" or if you are a returning user, click "Login".

To Sign Up:

1. To create a new account - complete form provided.



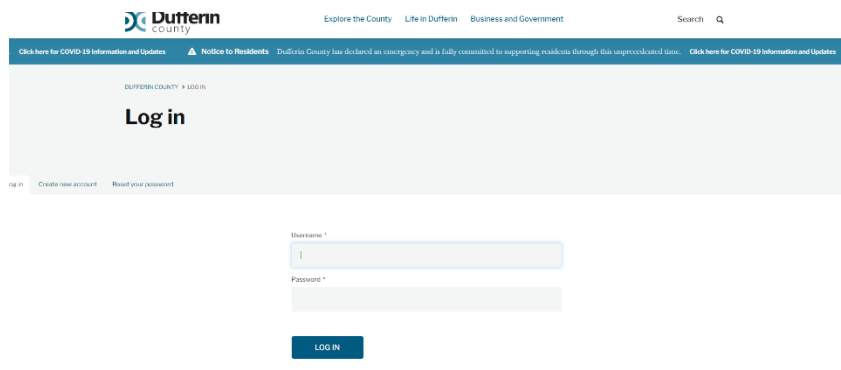
The screenshot shows the 'Create new account' page on the Dufferin County website. The page header includes the Dufferin County logo and navigation links: 'Explore the County', 'Life in Dufferin', and 'Business and Government'. A search bar is located in the top right corner. Below the header, the main heading is 'Create new account'. There are three tabs: 'Log in', 'Create new account', and 'Reset your password'. The form contains several input fields, each with an asterisk indicating it is required: 'Full Name', 'Email address', 'Username', 'Phone', 'Company', and 'Residence'.

2. Click "Create new account". An email will be sent to administration for approval and another will notify the user that their submission has been approved. The user will then have access to all registration opportunities.



To Login:

Enter your user name and password. If you do not remember your password, it can be reset by clicking "Reset my password" seen on the left.



The screenshot shows the 'Log in' page on the Dufferin County website. The page header includes the Dufferin County logo and navigation links: 'Explore the County', 'Life in Dufferin', and 'Business and Government'. A search bar is located in the top right corner. Below the header, the main heading is 'Log in'. There are three tabs: 'Log in', 'Create new account', and 'Reset your password'. The form contains two input fields: 'Username' and 'Password'. A blue 'LOG IN' button is located below the password field.

Raising the Bar Network – Website Information and Instructions for Use

To View Raising the Bar Content:

Once logged in, you will see a page that lists resources, upcoming events, our Twitter page, and contact information.

The screenshot shows the top navigation bar with 'Raising The Bar' in large bold text, and links for 'Resources', 'Upcoming Events', and 'Contact'. Below this is a paragraph describing the initiative's purpose: 'Raising the Bar is a community initiative to promote and support early childhood educators in their continuous commitment to excellence in early learning and child care programs. The program provides a framework for best practice to guide early learning, child care operators, and EarlyON child and family centres in delivering high quality services for children and families.' A second paragraph states: 'In addition to the best practice framework, Raising the Bar helps to ensure practices are current and responsive to family and community needs by engaging educators in ongoing Reflective Practice, Leadership, and Continuous Professional Learning.' To the left is the logo for 'Raising the Bar Early Childhood Education An NSIC Community Initiative'. Below the logo is the text 'Follow @DufferinRTB on Twitter' and a short paragraph: 'Follow Raising the Bar on Twitter to engage with early childhood educators and keep up-to-date with upcoming events.' To the right is a Twitter feed snippet showing a tweet from 'The MERIT Centre @Self-Reg' with the text: 'Mark your calendars & join us next Wed. for our monthly Twitter chat, #TMC Talks. We will be talking about excess stress. Most of us are experiencing it. Many of us are at the brink of burnout. We are taking it out of the closet, and looking at it with a #SelfReg lens.' Below the tweet is a thumbnail image for '#TMC Talks' featuring a woman's face.

To View Events:

Scroll down this page and you will see the three most current events. If you wish to view all of the events that are posted for Raising the Bar on one page, you can do so by clicking "All upcoming events".

The screenshot shows the 'Upcoming Events' section. It has a sub-header 'A preview of upcoming Raising the Bar Events' and a note: 'To view future events, please click All Upcoming Events below and refine the category search criteria to Raising The Bar.' Below this are three event cards, each with a placeholder image of a person on a couch. The first card is for 'Thursday May 12, 2022 at 6:00pm' with the title 'Dufferin Dialogues: Self-Reg and You!'. The second card is for 'Thursday March 3, 2022 at 6:00pm' with the title 'Dufferin Dialogues: Self-Reg and You!'. The third card is for 'Thursday January 6, 2022 at 6:00pm' with the title 'Dufferin Dialogues: Self-Reg and You!'. At the bottom of the section is a blue button labeled 'ALL UPCOMING EVENTS'.

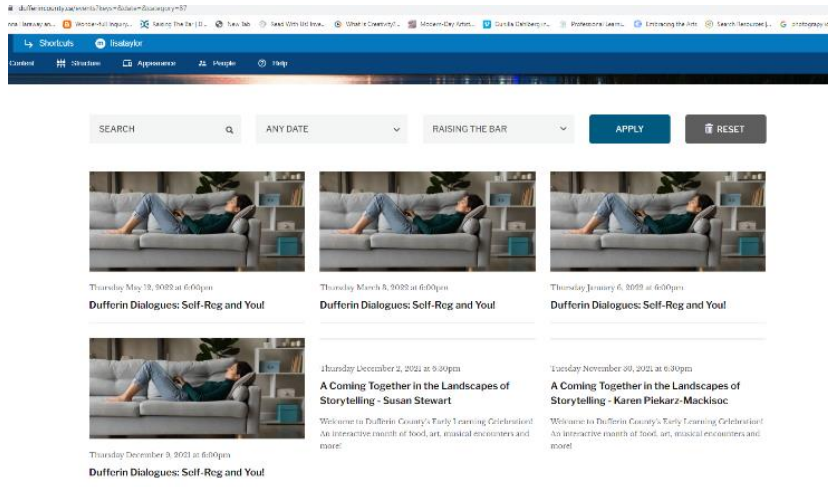
To identify only "Raising the Bar" events, use the drop down "CATEGORY" and click "Raising the Bar" and click "Apply". This will populate all of the Raising the Bar events offered.

SEARCH ANY DATE CATEGORY

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To Register:

Choose what you would like to attend by clicking on the box of your choice. Here you will find the details of the event, any flyer or video associated to the event, and registration.



Complete the registration questions on the bottom of the page and click “Register”. An email will be sent to you, notifying you of your status of registration.

A screenshot of a registration form titled 'Registration Form'. The form is set against a light blue background. At the top, it says 'If you are interested in attending this event enter your information below.' Below this are four input fields: 'Full Name *' (a text box), 'Email Address *' (a text box), 'Status *' (a dropdown menu with 'Select' visible), and 'Math question * 14 - 6 =' (a text box). Below the math question is a small note: 'Enter this simple math problem and enter the result. E.g. for 14, enter 8.' At the bottom of the form is a blue button labeled 'REGISTER'.

Your Dashboard and account information:

You can review or retrieve the events for which you have registered or update your account on your personal dashboard by clicking “View profile” or “Edit Profile”.

If you wish to log off, click “Log off”.

Difficulty creating your account?

Please contact ltaylor@dufferincounty.ca and we will be happy to support you!