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NAVIGATING THE DIGITAL FRONTIER: HURON-PERTH CATHOLIC DSB HOSTS GLOBAL STRATEGIST GIANCARLO BROTTO FOR SECONDARY STUDENT AI SUMMIT AND PARENT NIGHT ON AI AND ETHICS

DUBLIN, ON - Navigating the Digital Frontier: HPCDSB Artificial Intelligence Student Summit and Parent Information Night

The Huron-Perth Catholic District School Board (HPCDSB) is proud to announce a two-day Secondary School AI Summit taking place on April 9 and 10, 2026. This district-wide initiative is designed to equip students, staff, and families with the ethical reasoning and critical thinking skills necessary to navigate a landscape increasingly shaped by Artificial Intelligence.

Summit Goals: Human-Centred Innovation

In direct alignment with the Board's 2024-2027 Strategic Plan, the summit moves beyond basic AI literacy toward meaningful, human-centred integration. Key objectives include:

- **Ethical Navigation:** Centring AI strategy around human dignity and Catholic values to ensure students use technology for the common good.
- **Future-Ready Literacy:** Providing high-quality, hands-on access to global experts to prepare graduates for post-secondary and career success.
- **System-Wide Transformation:** Including corporate training sessions for Board departments to explore operational efficiency and support.
- **Relationship Building:** Ensuring AI tools are used to streamline workflows, thereby repurposing time for deeper human interactions within school communities.

Featured Keynote: Giancarlo Brotto

The event features renowned international keynote speaker and global technology strategist Giancarlo Brotto. Mr. Brotto will address students at both district secondary schools and serve as the featured speaker for the parent community. His message emphasizes that while algorithms can predict the future, they cannot replace a person's purpose.

“Beyond the Algorithm” Parent Information Night

As Artificial Intelligence (AI) reshapes the educational landscape, parents and caregivers are facing new challenges in raising tech-savvy children who remain rooted in their faith. To address these shifts, a dedicated evening session for parents and guardians will be held on April 9th to provide practical strategies for supporting children in an AI-driven world while maintaining mental well-being and digital balance. To register for the parent evening please reach out to your child’s school or email directorsoffice@huronperthcatholic.ca

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