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NT Council of Government School Organisations (NT COGSO) President Adam Walding stated "parents are critical partners in education of the 21st Century child" in his welcome speech to delegates on the eve of the National Australian Council of State School Organisations (ACSSO) Conference in Darwin from 1-3 November at the Holiday Inn Esplanade.

Adam conveyed to guests that "Dr Bill Rogers will speak to parents and educators on the topic of behaviour management. NT COGSO are overwhelmed by local support for this NT COGSO/Department of Education and Children's Services (DECS) event as part of the ACSSO conference with registrations exceeding 300 for this particular session."

"Andrew Fuller is a popular and familiar friend of the NT and Andrew will speak to delegates on developing resilience and student well-being"

"Other speakers include Margaret Hunter and Danielle Cronin who are the family-school partnership experts."

Adam thanked ACSSO and their affiliates as well as NT COGSO executive and staff for their work in co-ordinating the National Conference in Darwin.

A key highlight of the 3 day conference will be the panel of experts examining the future of public education in the 21st century. The panel will be led by Adam Smith, education analyst and regular guest on The Project. Members of the panel include Jewel Topsfield, education editor from The Age, the NT's Lauren Moss, member of the Ministers Youth Forum, and Australian Secondary Principals Deputy President Rob Nairn.

NT COGSO are pleased to be a part of bringing this nationally significant event to Darwin.

Mr Walding finished by wishing all attendees a wonderful conference and a great stay in the Northern Territory's capital.

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