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Summer Conference, July 31 & Aug 1

Keynote Speaker



Aaron Denlinger

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COST:

\$175.00 (LCA families, this fee is included with your re-enrollment fee)

HOW TO REGISTER:

Please register on our website www.lca-co.com or by calling 970-984-0604.

CHILDCARE:

Childcare will be available for 3 and under. (Donations are appreciated)

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Monday, July 31 - All parents and children at new hope church

1:45 PM	Doors Open. Please come and register 15 minutes before your class.				
2:00 PM	All Rhetoric Class Meeting			Meet the New Head of School - Mr. Brian Dow	
3:00 PM	All Logic Class Meeting	Preschool Class Meeting	Intro To Classical Education	Q & A with LCA Board	Meet the New Head of School - Mr. Brian Dow
4:00 PM	All Grammar Class Meeting		Intro To Classical Education	Q & A with LCA Board	Meet the New Head of School - Mr. Brian Dow
5:00 PM	Please reunite with your children and meet in the sanctuary				
5:15 PM	Family BBQ				
6:00 PM	Keynote speaker - Dr. Aaron Clay Dehlinger Ph.D -Dean of Rhetoric & Chaplain Arma Dei Academy				



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Monday Evening 6pm: Rightly understanding the world and our roles in it, part 1
 Classical Christian education aims to help students rightly understand the world and their roles in the world. In order to achieve that end, we must be clear on the nature of this world. As the product of God's creative activity, this world and its inhabitants possess a fixed character. There is, in other words, an objective (and so immutable) character to this world and its inhabitants, most notably human beings as image bearers of God. Insofar as this world and everything in it was created by a transcendent God, there is equally an enchanted character to this world and its inhabitants. This first talk will consider the objective and enchanted character of this world and its principal inhabitants (human beings) against the backdrop of present-day relativism, disenchantment, and general confusion concerning the fabric of this world and ourselves.

Tuesday Afternoon Session 1 pm: Rightly understanding the world and our roles in it, part 2
 Continuing the conversation from the first keynote address, this talk will consider the role that God prescribes to human beings in this world through his works of creation and redemption. That role is a royal role analogous to the roles prescribed for the Pevensie children in Narnia. We are (adopted) children of the true King with a responsibility to reflect the character of our Father as we collectively fulfill his mandate to fill the earth, rule over it, and feast within it. The role that God prescribes for us in the world he created is, it turns out, far more exciting and satisfying than roles we typically craft for ourselves in this world. The ultimate task of classical Christian education (in conjunction with parents) is to help children understand and embrace the roles God has prescribed for them in this world.

Tuesday, August 1st - Parents at New Hope Church, Students at LCA for Back-to-School Camp

SESSION	SESSION A	SESSION B	SESSION C	SESSION D	SESSION E	SESSION F
8:15-8:30 AM	Preschool- 12th Grade: Drop off all LCA students at LCA for Back to School Camp. Nursery (0-3 available at New Hope)					
8.45 AM	Welcome & Opening Prayer					
9:00 AM SESSION 1	Teens & Social Media Impact, on Sexuality and Sex -Michalea Fulk	Taking Math to the Next Level: 6th - 8th Grade -Dawn Lamping	Teaching Latin at Home -Jeanette Thompson and Eva Bower	Tools for Parents: Learning about Self-Care While Connecting with Your Children -Stephanie Smith	The Lost Tools of Writing -Amanda Norton	"Play is a Child's Work" -Brittani Chilson
10:00 AM SESSION 2	Do you Just Have Questions About LCA?	Arrowsmith Program Cohorts 3rd-5th Grade -Dorothy Bleakley	How to Teach Reading/ Spelling/ Grammar, and Writing at Home - Tracey Walter and Kelly Whittington	New Families Navigating LCA -Heather Paulson	How to Read Hard Books -Amanda Norton	How to Prepare for College and Trade/Job Opportunities after High School -Jeanette Thompson
11:00 AM SESSION 3	What are Great Classical Books? -Renee Miller	Making Math Fun at Home: Pre K - 2nd Grade -Dawn Lamping	Why is Grammar Important, and How Do You Diagram Sentences? -Kelly Whittington	Dads, How Do You Help and Support Homeschooling? -Landon Norton	Logic and Rhetoric Homeschool Days - Amanda Norton	Practical Tips on Helping Students Grasp the Objective/Magical Nature of This World and Themselves -Dr. Aaron Dehlinger
12:00 PM	Lunch Break- Provided					
12:45 PM	Keynote speaker - Aaron Dehlinger PhD -Dean of Rhetoric & Chaplain Arma Dei Academy					
1:30 PM SESSION 4	Truth, Beauty and Goodness in Art -Trea Traver	Enjoy Math With Your Kids: 3rd - 5th Grade -Dawn Lamping	How to Set Up Your Homeschool Day in the Grammar Years -Tracey Walter	Parenting Tips for Logic and Rhetoric Students -Pete and Patty Schaftner	Art of Narration -Amanda Norton	How to do Service Learning as a Family (Family Missions Work) -Fil and Terrasa Meraz
2:30 PM SESSION 5	Laying a Spiritual Foundation for your family? -Matt Chilson	Arrowsmith Program Cohorts 3rd-5th Grade -Dorothy Bleakley	Moving from Fragmented Education to Integrated Learning -Tracey Walter	Parenting Tips For Pre-K and Grammar Students -Pete and Patty Schaftner	Love and Fantasy: How to Think About Young Adult Fiction -Amanda Norton	Practical Tips on Helping Students Lay Hold of their Roles in This World; Q&A -Dr. Aaron Dehlinger

BREAKOUT SESSIONS - These sessions are offered concurrently in separate rooms & selected freely

Breakout Session 1 - 9:00 AM

Session A - Teens & Social Media Impact, on Sexuality and Sex

Presenter - Michalea Fulk

Keep Kids Safe in an Over-Sexualized Culture: Online predators, sexploitation, and sexting have risen exponentially in the last five years. Furthermore, our youth are bombarded with various sexual concerns on the internet, in the media, with their peers, in school, and beyond. This workshop is designed to give practical tools to prepare parents on how to help kids stay safe from online sexual predators and unsafe situations, in addition to discussing conversations with your kids about sexual relationships.

Session B - Taking Math to the Next Level: 6th - 8th Grade

Presenter - Dawn Lamping

Level up your math at home! Learn fun and interactive ways to help your child (and yourself!) really understand number relationships in fractions, ratios, and percents. Many students "get by" in these areas by memorizing steps to solve textbook problems, but we will focus on how to use rods and circles to dig into what the concepts really mean and how to problem-solve.

Session C - Teaching Latin at Home

Presenter - Jeanette Thompson and Eva Bower

Teaching a language you don't understand seems impossible. Learn about Lingua Latina, the curriculum used in the upper school at LCA and how you can guide your Latin learner at home.

Session D - Tools for Parents: Learning about Self-Care While Connecting with Your Children

Presenter - Stephanie Smith

You can't pour from an empty cup. Come learn some skills for balancing self-care with the needs of your family in mind. Stephanie will be drawing from years of experience as a teacher, a homeschool mom, and now an art therapist.

Session E - The Lost Tools of Writing

Presenter - Amanda Norton

Learn about the composition curriculum used throughout the logic and rhetoric years at LCA. Understand how to use the tools of the art of rhetoric to help students cultivate careful thinking about people, ideas, and their own decisions.

Session F - "Play is a Child's Work"

Presenter - Brittani Chilson

Enrich your child's learning experience while enriching your own as a homeschool parent. Learn how to reclaim play in early childhood and nurture wonder in your children.

Breakout Session 2 - 10:00 AM

Session A - Do you Just Have Questions About LCA?

Now is the time to come ask them. If you have general questions about LCA, join this session.

Session B - Arrowsmith Program Cohorts 3rd-5th Grade

Presenter - Dorothy Bleakley

This meeting will provide details regarding each cognitive program and its benefits. I will also go over required expectations for the days students will work virtually. Answer any questions or concerns you may have.

Session C - How to Teach Reading/ Spelling/ Grammar, and Writing at Home

Presenter - Tracey Walter and Kelly Whittington

It's agreed upon that teaching classically treats the learning activity with an appropriate degree and mixture of richness, dignity, wonder, and love of the subject, so that those same qualities are cultivated in the student, enabling him to mature into knowledge and self-government so that, in the words of Jefferson, he may work out his own greatest happiness. Join Tracey Walter and Kelly Whittington as they give guidance with educational materials, as well as share suggestions for teaching reading, spelling, grammar, and writing at home.

Session D - New Families Navigating LCA

Presenter - Heather Paulson

Are you new to LCA? Do you have questions about the curriculum? Homeschooling? What is Classical Education? As a fairly new parent I did not have a clue about any of the above. This is an opportunity to meet new families, ask questions and start your journey at LCA.

Session E - How to Read Hard Books

Presenter - Amanda Norton

A little scared of Plato and Dante? Not sure how to discuss books you were never taught? Learn tools and techniques for approaching difficult books and seeing their value and beauty.

Session F - How to Prepare for College and Trade/Job Opportunities after High School

Presenter - Jeanette Thompson

What is the CLT/ACT/SAT Accuplacer? When should we take them? If college is not for your student what are their other options?

Breakout Session 3 - 11:00 AM

Session A - What are Great Classical Books?

Presenter - Renee Miller

Make reading great books the heart of your homeschooling. If you are looking for ideas or have ideas to share, join us to talk about how to read and narrate back stories you will love for life-time.

Session B - Making Math Fun at Home: Pre K - 2nd Grade

Presenter - Dawn Lamping

The early grammar years are characterized by an intense love and desire to absorb and understand through what feels like play, but which is truly essential brain development. A playful approach speaks to the heart and mind of the youngest, and this workshop will focus on ways to align your home education with joy and excitement.

Session C - Why is Grammar Important, and How Do You Diagram Sentences?

Presenter - Kelly Whittington

This is what Susan Wise Bauer shares in regards to grammar: the (upper grammar) logic-stage student must use a formal grammar program to build the language skills necessary for good writing. These students know what element makes up a sentence (nouns, pronouns, verbs, adverbs, adjectives) and how to string them together (proper punctuation, capitalization, word use). Now he/she is ready to study relationships between words. These relationships are governed by rules. And as the student encounters these rules, he/she should memorize them. The student should also learn to draw a picture of the rule through diagramming. Join Kelly Whittington as she demonstrates how diagramming is a hands-on activity.

Session D – Dads, How Do You Help and Support Homeschooling?

Presenter – Landon Norton

Learn how as a father you can help, support, encourage, and be involved in your family's homeschooling journey.

Session E – Logic and Rhetoric Homeschool Days

Presenter – Amanda Norton

Homeschooling upper school students looks different from grammar school. Learn and share ideas for continuing to homeschool older students and helping them move toward independence.

Session F – Practical Tips on Helping Students Grasp the Objective/Magical Nature of This World and Themselves

Presenter – Dr. Aaron Clay Denlinge, Ph.D.

C.S. Lewis, building on St. Augustine's doctrine of rightly ordered affections, argues in his Abolition of Man that the proper task of education is to produce "men with chests" -- that is, students with affections (loves) properly aligned to the reality of this world. Students should, in other words, love those things that are loveable (true, good, and beautiful) in proper proportion. But rightly ordering a students' affections is easier said than done. This workshop will consider practical ways of ordering students' affections in order to achieve Lewis's vision for education (and Augustine's vision for true piety).

Breakout Session 4 – 1:30 PM

Session A – Truth, Beauty and Goodness in Art

Presenter – Trea Traver

What does truth, beauty, and goodness look like in art? Learn practical ways to incorporate art into your homeschool life.

Session B – Enjoy Math With Your Kids: 3rd – 5th Grade

Presenter – Dawn Lamping

The upper grammar student is primed by design to love playing with and understanding number sense and the operations of addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division. They are still oriented toward active, hands-on learning, and games. Learn ways to maximize on this natural drive with games and activities that make repetition and laying down the rails fun and fruitful.

Session C – How to Set Up Your Homeschool Day in the Grammar Years

Presenter – Tracey Walter

Learn about different styles of teaching at home and how to establish a homeschool routine.. Every family and every child is different. An LCA education can help accommodate them all. Whether you prefer structure and routine or more untraditional, we'll help give you insight into what the day can look like for your family.

Session D – Parenting Tips for Logic and Rhetoric Students

Presenter – Pete and Patty Shaffner

Would you like more peace in your home? Come learn a few tips that promote peaceful, positive and productive parenting in your home in the grammar stage. We look forward to sharing with you!

Session E – The Art of Narration

Presenter – Amanda Norton

How you can use the practice of narration (re-telling) to improve attention, memory, and understanding both in your student and yourself. Simple, effective techniques to synthesize learning and connect with your child.

Session F – How to do Service Learning as a Family (Family Missions Work)

Presenter – Fil and Terrasa Meraz

Serving together in our community is an amazing way to concretely show the love of Christ to our families and our community. Come hear about all the different ways LCA families are serving together.

Breakout Session 5 – 2:30 PM

Session A – Laying a Spiritual Foundation for your family?

Presenter – Matt Chilson

Cultivating a family based on God's design.

Session B – Arrowsmith Program Cohorts 3rd–5th Grade

Presenter –Dorothy Bleakley

3rd–5th grade Arrowsmith Program cohorts. This meeting will provide details regarding each cognitive program and its benefits. I will also go over required expectations for the days students will work virtually. Answer any questions or concerns you may have

Session C – Moving from Fragmented Education to Integrated Learning

Presenter – Tracey Walter

Learn how to look at education differently by moving from fragmented education that many of us grew up in; with unintegrated classes in science, art, geography etc. to how Classical Education is integrated and connected and what that looks like for our studies of" America's" this school year.

Session D – Parenting Tips For Pre-K and Grammar Students

Presenter – Pete and Patty Shaffner

Would you like more peace in your home? Come learn a few tips that promote peaceful, positive and productive parenting in your home. Better relationships with your children/teens and less misbehavior on their part can effectively co-occur! We look forward to sharing with you!

Session E – Love and Fantasy: How to Think About Young Adult Fiction

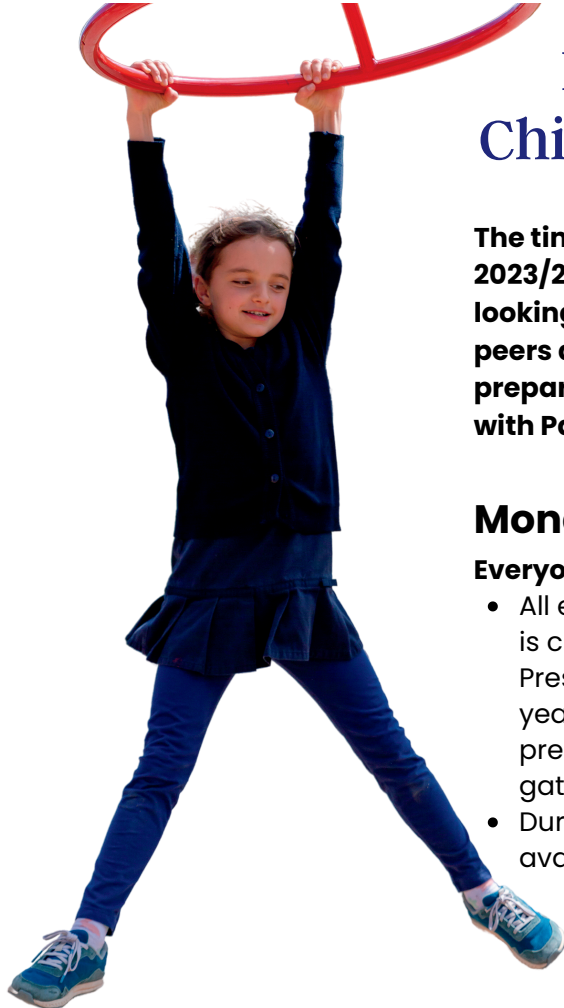
Presenter – Amanda Norton

Are you discouraged by the book choices for teens? Learn questions to ask as you filter through the YA section and how we can guard our children's hearts and minds appropriately as they grow.

Session F – Practical Tips on Helping Students Lay Hold of their Roles in This World; Q&A

Presenter – Dr. Aaron Clay Denlinger Ph. D.

Defining our students' true roles in this world on the basis of God's works of creation and redemption is one thing. Convincing students of those roles and helping them embrace and perform those roles is another! This workshop will consider practical ways to help students embrace their fundamental identity as men or women made in God's image with the privilege of reflecting him in everything they do in life, regardless of particular careers or circumstances that further define them in this world.



LCA Conference 2023 Childcare and Kid Camp Info

The time has arrived for our first event of the 2023/2024 school year! I hope your children are looking forward to spending some fun time with their peers at our back-to-school camp while you get prepared for the new school year at our Partnering with Parents Conference.

Monday July 31st

Everyone at New Hope Church

- All events are happening at New Hope Church. There is childcare available for all Class Meeting sessions- Preschool through Rhetoric 2pm-5pm. Nursery (0-3 years) and Preschoolers will be in the nursery and preschool rooms, all other students will meet in the gathering room (the large room on the right.)
- During the Keynote Speaker at 6pm childcare will be available for nursery-4th Grade only.

Tuesday August 1st

Nursery (0-3 years old) at New Hope Church,

Kid Kamp at LCA - This is for all registered LCA students Pre K - 12th Grade

- LCA has prepared the day for our guest teachers, so our staff can join us at the conference.
- Please drop your students off at LCA on Tuesday between 8.15am- 8:30 am. (See below for room assignments.)
- You must sign in your children and leave your phone number in case the guest teachers need to contact you. Please write down on the sign in sheet allergy information and inform the guest teacher of any allergies.
- Please sunscreen your child before or when you drop them off.
- Please send your students with (2) snacks, lunch, water bottle, hat,(extra sunscreen) and appropriate footwear (no flipflops/sandals) for playing outside.
- Please pick up your children no later than 3.45 pm and sign them out.

LCA Kid Camp Room Assignments:

Monday/Thursday Preschool Class- Red Building

(Meet in Preschool Room Upstairs)

Tuesday/Friday Preschool Class- Red Building

(Meet in Kitchen Area next to Preschool -go through the preschool room to get there)

Monday/Thursday Kindergarten Class -Red Building

(Meet in Kinder room downstairs)

Tuesday/Friday Kindergarten Class -Red Building

(Meet in middle room downstairs)

Monday/Thursday 1st Grade & Tuesday/Friday 1st/2nd Grade -Red Building

(meet in 1st grade room downstairs)

Tuesday/Friday 3rd/4th/5th Grade - Red Building

(upstairs room next to the preschool room)

Monday/Thursday 2nd & 3rd Grade- White Building

(community room)

Monday/Thursday 4th Grade- White Building

(Mrs. Paulson's Room)

Monday/Thursday 5th/6th Grade - White Building

(Mrs. Whittington's room)

Tuesday/Friday 6th/7th/8th Grade Class & Monday/Thursday 7th / 8th - White Building

(Mrs. Norton's Room)

9th - 12th Grade -White Building

(Meet in the Rhetoric Room)