



conference 2021



We Will Reap!

*"And let us not grow weary of doing good,
for in due season we will reap,
if we do not give up."*

Galations 6:9 (ESV)



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When you start planning your next homeschool year, we are here to help! Our 2021 **Curriculum Catalog** is now available and ready for you to browse, mark up and flag pages as you research curriculum. Check out our newest video workshops and curriculum videos on YouTube! If you have questions, the Rainbow consultants are available to chat online, talk on the phone, or answer questions through email.



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GENERAL CONFERENCE INFO

CONFERENCE EXHIBIT HALL LOCATION

Please note that our conference exhibit hall is located in the Grand View University Field House - Wellness Center, 1st Floor. Featured exhibit hall time blocks have been included in the conference schedule to facilitate your access to the exhibit hall.

WORKSHOP RECORDINGS

With so many workshops going on at the same time, it can be difficult to choose which one to attend! Good news! Workshops given at the 2021 Homeschool Iowa Conference will be recorded and available for sale at the Rhino Technologies Booths located in the lobby area of the Grand View University Field House. Please note: Exhibitor Workshops and Make & Take Workshops will not be recorded.

RESOURCES

Have questions? Need resources? Be sure to visit our volunteer staff at the Homeschool Iowa Booth or the Regional Reps Booth. Our veteran home educators love to answer your questions and encourage you along your homeschooling journey. We offer many resources that will assist you in understanding Iowa homeschool law, beginning homeschooling, homeschooling special needs, homeschooling through high school, and many other topics.

QUESTIONS AFTER THE CONFERENCE?

If you have questions once you get home, we are still available to help! Our team of Homeschool Iowa Regional Representatives would love to offer you assistance. These experienced homeschool parents are full of knowledge about local support groups, resources, curriculum, etc. Feel free to email them with any questions you may have! Additionally our website is a wealth of information. Visit us online at homeschooliowa.org. We also have an online community on Facebook. Go to our Facebook page @homeschooliowa, click on the "Groups" tab, then join our Homeschool Iowa Discussion Group.

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All speakers and speaker workshops are subject to change. For current listings, visit www.homeschooliowa.org. While Homeschool Iowa is a Christian organization and whereas this belief guides the structure of the annual Homeschool Iowa Conference, Homeschool Iowa does not require attendees, speakers, or exhibitors to profess (declare, assert) agreement to the Homeschool Iowa statement of faith. In the same way, while we may not admit (accept, approve) an exhibitor or hire a speaker who is specifically "anti-Christian", we do admit speakers and exhibitors that are not explicitly "Christian" but that DO provide home educators, both Christian and non-Christian, with information, knowledge, or curriculum that is relevant, useful, and beneficial. Please note that Homeschool Iowa does not necessarily endorse everything found in our exhibit hall or heard in a workshop.

By virtue of being an education forum, the Homeschool Iowa Conference does not attempt to filter all of the content you may see or hear at our conference. Homeschool Iowa believes that parent educators are competent and qualified to discern and make informed decisions regarding what material is good for their family. The Homeschool Iowa Conference is designed to serve a diverse variety of homeschoolers, as well as those who are considering home education. Our convention is not a place to define uniformity of belief and practice.

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Homeschool Iowa Conference Team



Welcome to the 2021 Homeschool Iowa Conference. We are so excited you are here! Our amazing team has been working hard over the past year to ensure you have a great experience and leave feeling refreshed.

Please take a moment to look over the schedule, review the map of the facility, and then choose whatever looks most appealing to you! If you have questions, feel free to grab one of our team members (that's us in the navy Homeschool Iowa polos!). If you have specific homeschooling questions, a prayer need, or just need a cup of coffee (or a hug), please stop by our Regional Reps booth at the entrance to CJ's Place in the Student Center.

We hope you will leave the conference feeling equipped and encouraged in your homeschool journey.

Kim Blom and Dawn Cowman. Conference Coordinators



Joe Bailey
Master of Ceremonies



Rick & Dawn Cowman
HI Welcome Booth



Erin Watkins
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Regional Representatives Coordinator



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Since its inception in 1992, Homeschool Iowa has been served by an amazing roster of homeschooling parents who were willing to offer their time and talents to promote and protect home education in Iowa. Our current board members are dedicated to continue and build upon those past high standards of service



VALOR



**KIDS
TREK**
Come for the adventure!

Our highly acclaimed conference children's program offers a new theme every year, effectively communicating principles found in the Word of God through songs, memory verses, activities, lesson times, and the much anticipated 8-part fully-scripted and costumed drama!

This year's theme, VALOR will explore the life of soldiers and nurses during a great war and how trial and tribulation are meant to draw us close to God. This theme will be presented in a child-friendly way through drama, with additional instruction, games, and activities presented throughout the entire 2021 Homeschool Iowa Children's Program.

CHILD PICK-UP INFORMATION

Please promptly pick up your children.

Remember to bring your check-out information with you!

Children's Program Pick-up Time:

Friday 4:30-5:00 PM and Saturday 3:00-3:30 PM



Box Lunch Pick Up Info:

**Pre-purchased box lunches will be
available in CJ's Place from
11:00am-1:00pm
on Friday and Saturday.**

*Tickets can be found in your attendee packet if
you purchased these with your registration.*

Snack Bars:

**Snacks and light lunch options
are available for purchase
at CJ's Place in the Student Center
and at the concession stand
in the Johnson Wellness Center.**



Mothers' Room

For the comfort and convenience of our parents and young children, there is a private room available for nursing, diaper changing, and other needs that arise with small children.

Located on the second level of the Student Center
in the Prairie Meadows Plaza View Room

Hours:

Friday 8:00 AM – 9:00 PM
Saturday 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM



START HOMESCHOOLING

Special Track

Notes:

8:15-9:00am | Scott Woodruff

Homeschooling with Confidence: Understanding Iowa's Homeschool Law

This session covers everything you need to know about Iowa's homeschool law so you can home educate with confidence. It includes a thorough presentation of the basics with plenty of time for questions.

9:15-9:45am | HI Regional Representatives

Homeschooling for Beginners

Our Homeschool Iowa Regional Representatives, seasoned homeschooling moms with lots of experience, will give the "real life" version of how to home educate. Insider tips and helpful resources will be included.

Dyslexia

Know the facts!

Dyslexia is the most common learning disability.



If your child struggles with reading, writing, and/or spelling, find information and support at www.decodingdyslexiaiowa.org.

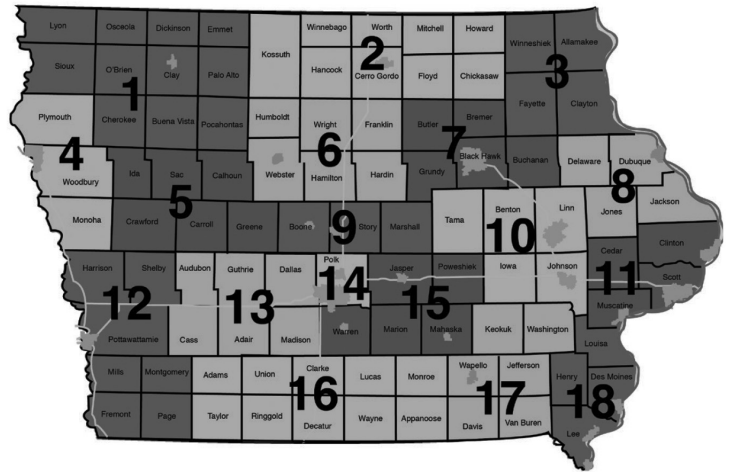


REGIONAL REPRESENTATIVES

Connect with Us for Encouragement, Wisdom, and Hugs!

Our Homeschool Iowa Regional Representatives, serving in 18 regions around the state, offer localized assistance. These veteran homeschooling moms have practical skills and wisdom that come from years of experience. Within their regions, Homeschool Iowa Regional Representatives:

- Counsel new home educators
- Answer questions about local issues and opportunities
- and more!



Stop by our booth - we are in the Student Center Lobby

The Regional Reps are most likely wearing purple Conference shirts or blue Homeschool Iowa polos. If you see us, please say "hello"!

Cathy Sorensen, Regional Representative Coordinator



Region 1
Andrea



Region 2
Rhea



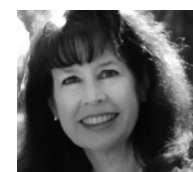
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Kristen



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Cathy



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Molly



Region 6
Tia



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Jill



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Teresa



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Shellie



Region 10
Terri



Region 10
Brenda



Region 11
Danna



Region 12
Denise



Region 13
Karen



Region 13
Donna



Region 14
Diana



Region 15
Angie



Region 16
Krista



Region 17
Kim



Region 18
Lisa



Special Needs ADVISORS

In response to a need we saw repeatedly, the Homeschool Iowa Board set up our Special Needs Advisors Program. These moms have personal experience homeschooling children with special needs and have volunteered to be available to help you. They may be contacted via the member portal of our website.



Erin



Kim

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SPECIAL NEEDS

Special Track



1:00-2:00 pm | Peggy Ployhar

The Essentials of Homeschool Special Needs

Homeschooling is the ultimate individualized education plan, so it's not a wonder why parents of special needs children consider this educational choice. In this talk, Peggy Ployhar, the CEO of SPED Homeschool covers what it takes to get started homeschooling, avoiding and conquering common pitfalls, and how to homeschool special education through high school. This talk is filled with practical advice from the trenches of homeschooling for 18 years and working for over a decade as a special needs homeschooling consultant.

2:00-2:15 pm | Special Needs Track Sponsor Session

Homeschooling and Dyslexia | Kara Wishman, Decoding Dyslexia Iowa

Kara Wishman, with Decoding Dyslexia Iowa, will give a few pointers for parents whose children are struggling to read/spell during the homeschool day, and how you can see dyslexia bring difficulties across subject areas. The talk will be short, but it is in hopes of starting a conversation within the homeschool community that all kids won't just pick up reading when they're ready, and there are active steps parents must take to help their struggling children.

2:30-3:30 pm | Peggy Ployhar

Customizing Curriculum for Students' Special Needs

As the CEO of SPED Homeschool, and the former Special Needs Team Lead for the Texas Home School Coalition (THSC) and former Special Needs Coordinator of MACHE (Minnesota Association of Christian Home Educators), Peggy Ployhar speaks to one of the most frequently asked questions she receives: "What curriculum would be best to teach the unique needs of my child?" Whether you have a child who has a specific diagnosis or one who just struggles in one area of school or another, Peggy addresses in this talk how to take the curriculum you already own, or plan to use, adjust it to meet the specific needs of your child, and consequently dissolve the struggles you are currently seeing in homeschooling your unique child.

4:00-5:00 pm | Peggy Ployhar

Post-Homeschool Transition Planning for Special Needs Students

Any parent knows a student's learning goes beyond basics academics. But, parents of special needs students are even more aware of this truth. Successful post-homeschool transition of a special needs student requires planning. In this talk, Peggy Ployhar, the CEO of SPED Homeschool, takes parents of special needs homeschooling students through a plan that helps them be intentional in setting up a transition plan that will ready their student for life beyond homeschool.

Exhibitors

Decoding Dyslexia Iowa

www.decodingdyslexiaiowa.org

A nonprofit organization dedicated to raising dyslexia awareness, empowering families to support their children with dyslexia, and influencing policymakers and educators on the best practices to identify, remediate, and support Iowa students with dyslexia.

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Joining us for our teacher re-certification course? Here are some important details for you!

Friday, June 18th | 10:00-11:30am | Speed Lyceum

**Special Session: Licensed Teacher Course Orientation,
Exhibitor/Speaker Collaboration Project Training
Teacher Panel Q&A**

This workshop is for conference attendees who have also registered with Heartland AEA for the professional development activity providing license renewal credit. It will include a brief orientation as well as important training for the new exhibitor/speaker collaboration project option that can be applied toward required hours. We'll also have interactive Q&A time with an experienced teacher panel.

Saturday, June 19th | 1:00-2:00pm | Speed Lyceum

**Solving Curriculum Dilemmas
Sara Carothers**

This workshop is for conference attendees who have also registered with Heartland AEA for the professional development activity providing license renewal credit. Rainbow Resource consultant Sara Carothers will help you find solutions to homeschool curriculum issues. She will present her favorite "problem solving" products, with both supervising teachers and the families they serve in mind.

Course Materials

All course participants will be required to complete a professional development activity assignment.

The assignment will include a section for logging the 15 contact hours completed to meet the requirement for the course.

The assignment will also include areas in which participants will share descriptions of the strategies, methods, insights, and/or resources about which they learned in each of the keynotes, workshops, or optional speaker/exhibitor collaboration project sessions they completed to meet the activity minimum requirement of 15 hours.

The professional development activity assignment can be completed using our Teacher Credit Course Online Form or the traditional print version.

Because the assignment cannot be completed before the conference commences, the form will not be made available until immediately before the conference.

A link to the online form and a PDF copy of the print form will be emailed to all participants who are registered in advance on the AEA system for this course.

Print versions of the assignment packet, which also include the link to the online version, will be available at the Friday morning orientation workshop and at the Homeschool Iowa Information booth in the foyer near registration check-in area.

Attendance and Makeup Policies

All course participants must complete the equivalent of 15 contact hours of collaborative instruction.

Only those who meet this requirement and submit a fully-completed course assignment will be eligible to receive a passing grade for the teacher renewal credit.

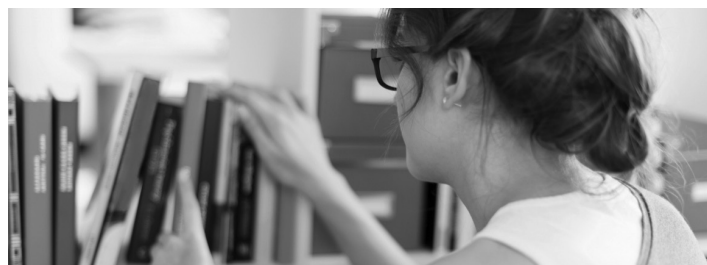
The 90-minute course orientation workshop will be held at 10:30am on Friday, June 18. The orientation will provide an overview of the credit course procedures and requirements and can be applied toward the 15-hour requirement.

The orientation workshop will also include a helpful Teacher Panel Q&A session as well as detailed instructions on how the new speaker/exhibitor collaboration opportunity can be completed for up to 2 contact hours.

Check the conference schedule to determine which workshops you will attend toward completing the required 15 contact hours.

There is no provision for makeup due to lack of attendance.

If participants do not attend the conference or are not able to complete at least 15 contact hours onsite at the conference, they will not be allowed to complete the assignment and therefore, will not receive credit for this course.



Course Transcripts

Heartland AEA does not mail transcripts.

After the course concludes, the assignment submission deadline passes, and the instructor has finished reviewing the assignments and submitting grades, participants will receive an email that their transcript is available to download from their account in the AEA Professional Learning online system.

**Please direct questions about the 2021 Homeschool Iowa
Teacher Credit Course offered through Heartland AEA to:
teachercredit@homeschooliowa.org.**



Teen Track Workshops

Sessions Designed for Teens 12 & Older

FRIDAY WORKSHOPS

10:00-11:00am | Classroom 153

Will Our Generation Speak? *A Call to Be Bold with The Gospel*

Presented by: Josiah & Grace (Mally) Moffitt

How do we get a witnessing conversation started? What if someone asks a question we can't answer? What if we feel scared? How can we articulate the truth of the gospel with boldness, confidence, clarity and accuracy? In this session, Josiah and Grace, share practical tips, ideas, and stories about how to effectively communicate the gospel to those around us. We only have one life to live, and it goes by fast! Today's Christian youth are in a position like Esther. God has raised them up "for such a time as this." The question is, "Will our generation speak?"

2:30-3:30pm | Principle Conference Room

Drama & Improvisation

Presented by: Natalie Ogbourne

In this informative and interactive workshop, we will explore why drama matters and what its potential place is in the life of the believer. With that as a base, we'll get to work on stage techniques, a few rules of improv, and - most fun of all - a few improv activities.



SATURDAY WORKSHOPS

8:15-9:15am | Principle Conference Room

Singleness, Purity & Relationships

Presented by: Andrew & Sarah (Mally) Hancock

Young people often have many questions as they think about their future and look forward to meeting their future spouse. How should they prepare for marriage? What tools will help them discern God's will? What should young people do while they are waiting? How can they wisely navigate relationships in this sinful world? In this workshop, Andrew and Sarah Hancock will share about the importance of trusting the Lord and following His ways not the world's ways. Weaving in their own story of how God brought them together after many years of singleness, they will share lessons God taught them along the way and discuss key principles in relationships. For parents and teens.

12:30-1:30pm | Principle Conference Room

Cell Phone Photography and Content Creation

Presented by: Sadie Desaulniers

Digital content has never been easier or more fun to create! Cell phone cameras, editing apps, social media... the ability to produce and share in the digital art form is plentiful! But, what do you do with those images once you create them? And how do you get better pictures within the limits of cell phone camera? In this session, Sadie will be sharing some practical tips and principles of photography, as well as some of her own philosophy of social media and how we can use the platforms at our disposal as tools to share art and creative content that is meaningful, impactful, and important.

3:30-4:30pm | Principle Conference Room

How to Make a Difference In Your World

Presented by: Josh Bingaman

The past year has been a crazy time with pandemic shutdowns, riots, and increased division. Our world needs healing and peace. How do we make that happen? How do we make a difference in our world? Join us as we discuss how to develop yourself and shape a better world.

Meet the Speakers!



Heidi St. John

heidistjohn.com

As a popular author and speaker, Heidi St. John has been speaking on marriage, family and cultural issues for over 15 years. Her passion to encourage moms and set them free to boldly become who God has created them to be will challenge and encourage you. Heidi has been married to her college sweetheart since 1989, and their family now includes seven children and three grandchildren! Jay and Heidi reside just outside of beautiful Vancouver, Washington, where they have homeschooled some of their kids all the way through high school and are still finishing up with a few at home.

Heidi is the author of seven books and you can join Heidi at MomStrong International, an online ministry where thousands of women come together for weekly Bible Studies, Scripture Writing, online and in real life fellowship.



Rob Rienow

visionaryfam.com

Rob & Amy Rienow were married in 1994, but even though they were both believers, they didn't begin their marriage and family life with a dynamic, biblical vision. Through the years God turned their hearts more and more to His word, to ministry to each other, and their most important Great Commission calling — impressing the hearts of their children with a love for God. While they both admit they have a long way to go toward being a visionary family, God continues to show His grace and mercy to them.

Today, Visionary Family Ministries encourages families and trains church leaders through live conferences, books, video bible studies, and free internet resources. Each year we offer more than 50 seminars and conferences in the United States and around the world.



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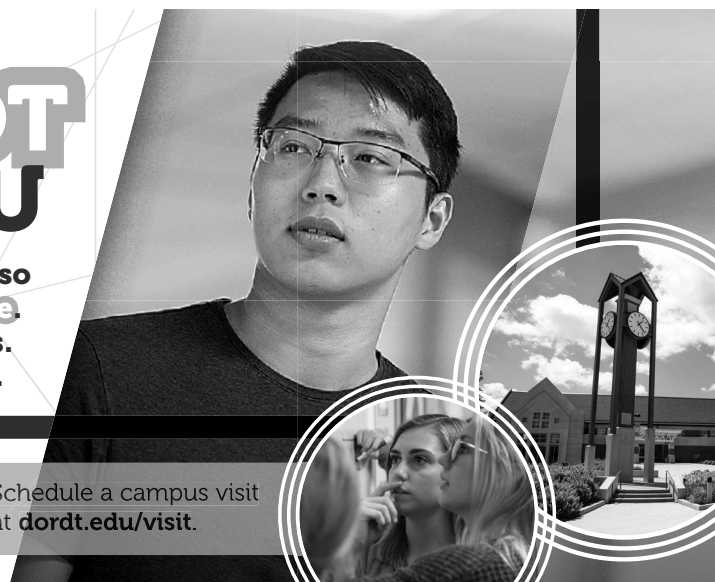
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SPEAKER Exhibits

Heidi St. John

heidistjohn.com

Heidi has a heart to encourage moms to be MomStrong! Check out her books and companion study guides and be encouraged in your journey as a strong Mom of faith.

HEIDI'S BOOTH WILL BE IN THE KEYNOTE LOBBY

Rob Rienow

visionaryfam.com

Visionary Families, provides encouragement for families and trains church leaders through live conferences, books, video Bible studies, and free internet resources.

ROB'S BOOTH WILL BE IN THE KEYNOTE LOBBY

Scott Woodruff & Carol Becker

HSLDA (Home School Legal Defense Association)

www.hslda.org

HSLDA is a nonprofit organization established to defend and advance the constitutional right of parents to direct the upbringing and education of their children and to protect family freedoms.

THE HSLDA BOOTH WILL BE IN THE EXHIBIT HALL LOBBY

Peggy Ployhar | SPED Homeschool

spedhomeschool.com

SPED Homeschool's team and board are homeschooling pioneers experienced in the trenches of special education homeschooling. They provide resources, support, and available training for parents who are homeschooling children with special needs.

PEGGY'S BOOTH WILL BE IN THE VIKING THEATRE LOBBY

Candice Dugger | Bullied, Broken, Redeemed

www.bulliedbrokenredeemed.com

Candice is a nationally recognized anti-bullying expert, author, speaker and trainer. As founder of Bullied, Broken, Redeemed, Candice and her team specialize in equipping leaders, parents, and youth on all aspects of Gen-Z bullying. In addition to being an anti-bullying warrior, Candice is passionate about helping families transition from public school to homeschool. Her "Coming Home" series of talks and workshops are an essential guide for those trying to navigate this sometimes difficult journey.

CANDICE'S BOOTH WILL BE IN THE VIKING THEATRE LOBBY

Galadriel Miller

For the past eight years, Galadriel has studied and implemented Charlotte Mason's philosophy of education in teaching their children. As this method has transformed their homeschool, she is excited to share this beautiful method with others, and to connect them with local support as they continue to learn.

GALADRIEL'S BOOTH WILL BE IN THE VIKING THEATRE LOBBY

Stacey Schuurmann | Artfull

makeitartfull.com

Stacey, mother of three, has a deep love for preschoolers and crafting. As a result, she opened Artfull, a playground for artists and DIY enthusiasts alike. Located in Valley West Mall, Artfull is a place where anyone of any age may bring art into their lives on a regular and continuous basis.

STACEY'S BOOTH WILL BE IN THE VIKING THEATRE LOBBY

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Save the Date!

We've already started planning next year's conference,
and we hope you'll join us! Save the date; then watch our website
for updates coming later this fall.

June 10-11



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Des Moines

Have a speaker you would like to see us bring to our next Conference?
Email the suggestion to: speakers@homeschooliowa.org

Friday Conference Schedule

Schedule Subject to Change

ROOM	8:15-9:45am	10:00-11:00am	11:00am-1:00pm	1:00-2:00pm	2:30-3:30pm	4:00-5:00pm
Sessions in the Johnson Wellness Center						
SISAM ARENA 1st floor	KEYNOTE Heidi St. John Becoming Mom Strong	The Power of Family Worship Rob Rienow		Hope for the Overwhelmed Mom Heidi St. John	Helping Your Children Become Best Friends in Christ Rob Rienow	The Power of Godly Influence Heidi St. John
Sessions in the Grand View Student Center						
VALHALLA ROOM 2nd floor	Special Track START HOMESCHOOLING <small>Details on Page 6</small> Iowa Homeschool Legal Requirements & Homeschooling For Beginners	Exploring Learning Styles for Effective Instruction Nancy Bjorkman	Special Track: Homeschooling Special Needs <small>Details on Page 9</small>			
			12:30-6pm Special Needs Displays in Gallery	The Essentials of Homeschool Special Needs Peggy Ployhar	Customizing Curriculum for Student's Special Needs Peggy Ployhar	Post-Homeschool Transition Planning for Special Needs Students Peggy Ployhar
VIKING THEATRE 1st floor		Getting Through the Toughest Day of Your Life Scott Woodruff		Engaging Early Learners Nancy Bjorkman	20 Principles of a Charlotte Mason Education Galadriel Miller	Teaching Math Without Losing Your Children & Your Sanity Galadriel Miller
SPEED LYCEUM 1st floor		TEACHER CREDIT COURSE 10:00am-11:30am Licensed Teacher Course Orientation, Panel Q&A, & Exhibit Hall Project Training Julie Naberhaus	Exhibitor Workshop 11:45am-12:45pm Is Homeschooling Taking Over Your Life or Is it a Lifestyle? Sharon Fisher, BJU	Essential Skills for Teens: Study & Time Management Carol Becker	Public School to Homeschool: What I Wish I Would Have Known Candice Dugger	Homeschool Recordkeeping, Evaluations & Portfolios Carol Becker
PRINCIPLE CONFERENCE ROOM 1st floor	Registration & Check-In			Exhibitor Workshop Creation Story: Preparing Homeschooled Students for University Science Dr. Ken Wolgemuth, Reasons to Believe	TEEN TRACK Drama & Improvisation Natalie Ogbourne	Exhibitor Workshop Five Areas Defeating Christian Young Men Harold Mally, Tomorrow's Forefathers
CLASSROOM 153 1st floor		TEEN TRACK Will Our Generation Speak? Josiah & Grace (Mally) Moffitt		Exhibitor Workshop Unit Studies: How to Use What Your Child Wants to Know To Teach What They Need to Learn Brandy Champeau, Exploring Expression	Exhibitor Workshop Preparing for College Dana Blomberg, Faith Baptist Bible College	Exhibitor Workshop The Self-Publishing Journey Caitlin Hodnefield
CLASSROOM 150 1st floor		Exhibitor Workshop Catching the Lure of the Bible: Hook, Line, & Sinker Winona Maxon, Water in the Word		MAKE & TAKE <small>(pre-registration & extra fee required)</small> Iowa Themed Lapbooks Sara Carothers	Exhibitor Workshop Dr. Cynthia Knight Jordahl Academy	MAKE & TAKE <small>(pre-registration & extra fee required)</small> Sensory Bins Stacey Schuurmann



SPECIAL EVENT:

Couple's Dinner

(pre-registration & extra fee required)

Visionary Marriage

Rob Rienow



6:30-8:30pm

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Friday, June 18, 2021



FRIDAY WORKSHOPS 2021 Conference

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8:15-9:45am Friday Morning Keynote | Sisam Arena

Heidi St. John | Becoming MomStrong

Today's mothers are living in challenging times. We're facing things that our mothers could never have imagined. From Internet predators to the rise of domestic terrorism to the discovery GMO's BPA's and STD's... our lives are vastly different than the generation before us. Many moms are struggling with fear of the future and worry about raising children in today's culture—but God says loud and clear, "Do not be afraid! Be strong and courageous!" Mom, you have a mission. Your mission (should you choose to accept it) is to raise the next generation of teachers, doctors, judges, police officers, grocery store clerks, attorneys, nurses—and parents. Yes! You are raising the next generation of parents. Look around. It doesn't take very long for one generation to hand the baton to the next, and as mothers, we've got to be ready to prepare our children for whatever they may face as followers of Jesus Christ. Heidi will challenge as she talks about what it will take to "Become MomStrong" —drawing on truths from God's Word to answer the tough questions this generation of kids is asking and prepare moms to meet the challenges head-on.



Notes:

Session 1 10:00-11:00AM

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Rob Rienow | Sisam Arena

The Power of Family Worship

At the heart of the Christian family is "family worship" (Deuteronomy 6:7). God uses these moments of prayer and Scripture to transform our hearts, renew our minds, and bless our families. But it isn't easy! The enemy actively works to keep prayer and Scripture out of our homes. This workshop will give you practical, creative, and "doable" ways to make family worship more consistent, meaningful, and enjoyable for everyone in your family.

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Nancy Bjorkman | Valhalla Room

Exploring Learning Styles for Effective Instruction

Gain a fresh perspective on how your children's actions and attitudes help you discover their natural bent, so you can plan strategies that will help them grow into the person they were created to be. We'll peel back the layers to reveal pieces of the puzzle that go beyond the usual "auditory, kinesthetic, and visual" discussions. This workshop will provide you with insight into a variety of ways you can effectively teach to various learning styles in your children.

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Scott Woodruff | Viking Theatre

Getting Through the Toughest Day of Your Life

Sooner or later, we all have it: the most absolutely horrendous day of our lives. Maybe it's a whole week! You know the story: Job goes through terrible suffering, God responds, and Job's fortunes are restored. But there's more to the story. In this session, Scott reveals the powerful, hidden tools within Job's story that can help you not just survive, but overcome, when your day of testing comes. It could turn out to be your finest hour.



Attend

EXHIBITOR WORKSHOP
Winona Maxon, Water in the Word | Classroom 150

Catching the Lure of the Bible: Hook, Line, and Sinker

Learn how to catch a young person's full attention in desiring to learn about the Bible while following Luke 2:52. Hopefully attending this workshop with the author will lure you to be excited about utilizing this text to its full potential. Because of my educator background while writing this book I purposefully wrote to hook-up your student's natural curiosity with becoming skilled in reading comprehension and writing. Many questions are baited with open-ended discussion with no limit where the interest and discourse can take you.

EXHIBITOR Workshop Session: 11:45am-12:45pm

Attend

Sharon Fisher, BJU | Speed Lyceum

Is Homeschooling Taking Over Your Life or is it Your Lifestyle?

How would you like to be able to spend more time with your family and less time planning lessons and pulling materials together? Do you want more flexibility? Would you like lesson prep streamlined while providing academically excellent materials that are child-friendly and adaptable to your child's needs and your family homeschooling dynamic?

Session 2 **1:00-2:00PM**

Attend

Heidi St. John | Sisam Arena

Hope for the Overwhelmed Mom

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Recording

Parenting. It's exhausting and exhilarating. Frustrating and fascinating. Like all things that are God-breathed, it's a Kingdom building exercise. It's a masterful strategy, this idea of using all night feedings and miscarriage and labor and teenagers (see how teens and labor go hand in hand?) and even homeschooling to teach us to trust the heart the Father. But that's exactly what God wants you to learn to do. Join Heidi St. John for an hour of encouragement and inspiration that will lift you up and remind you of the WHY of homeschooling.

Attend

Nancy Bjorkman | Viking Theatre

Engaging Early Learners

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What should "school" look like for early learners? What things are developmentally appropriate for the younger ages? This fun and informative session will provide a comprehensive overview of teaching methods specifically geared to pre- and elementary-age children. Nancy will share resources, fun games, toddler tips, and easy activities, all designed to help parents think outside the box when it comes to "doing school."

Attend

Carol Becker | Speed Lyceum

Essential Skills for Teens: Study and Time Management

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Recording

The high school years are a prime opportunity to equip your teens with skills they will need for future success. Whether your teen is headed to college, a career, or the military, they will benefit from study and time management skills. This session provides parents and teens with ideas to incorporate study and time management practices into high school coursework and lists resources to help cultivate these essential skills.

Attend

EXHIBITOR WORKSHOP

Dr. Ken Wolgemuth, Reasons to Believe | Principle Conference Room
Creation Story: Preparing Homeschooled Students for University

Science As a Christian geologist, I will discuss three topics with which all students should be familiar when headed to a college or university. (1) The processes of plate tectonics that move continents over geologic time, and how we understand the age of the earth. (2) Radio-carbon dating as a wonderful tool to determine the ages of bones, wood, and charcoal, and how that affects biblical archaeology. (3) Ice cores that display God's gift of 10,000 years of stable climate for the flourishing of mankind.



Attend

EXHIBITOR WORKSHOP

Brandy Champeau, Exploring Expression | Classroom 153

Unit Studies: How to Use What Your Child Wants to Know to Teach

What They Need to Learn Every child has a passion. Maybe its horses, dragons or Minecraft. This workshop will show you the steps I take to turn a single book, topic, or passion and craft a multi subject unit study. I will give you an actionable strategy for how to leverage your child's individual interests to make their learning adventures more fun, easy and natural.

Attend

MAKE AND TAKE WORKSHOP (Pre-Registration and Extra Fee Required)

Sara Carothers | Classroom 150

Iowa-Themed Lapbooks

"I've heard of lapbooks but have no clue how to start one." Come and make one with Sara! She will walk you through the process of making a basic lapbook about the state of Iowa, talk about the benefits, and share resources that will make the process fun and easy for everyone. You will see examples for various ages and topics, as well as a couple versions of an Iowa one too. Get inspired as you learn the steps to making an interactive resource for your visual/hands-on learner.

Session 3 2:30-3:30PM

Attend

Rob Rienow | Sisam Arena

Helping Your Children Become Best Friends in Christ

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Has God blessed you with multiple children? God places a high priority on sibling relationships and Satan wants to destroy them. This message will equip you with a compelling Christian vision and practical, daily steps to help your children become best friends in Christ, and advance His Kingdom together.

Attend

Galadriel Miller | Viking Theatre

20 Principles of a Charlotte Mason Education

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Recording

Do you have a philosophy of education? Know it or not, we all do. But what is it? And do our methods line up with our philosophy? We will take a look at Charlotte Mason's philosophy of education and how her methods and practices all jive together.

Attend

Candice Dugger | Speed Lyceum

Public School to Homeschool: What I Wish I Would Have Known

Purchase
Recording

Leaving a traditional educational model can bring about many fears, anxiety's, and lots of self-doubt. This real-talk workshop will discuss many of the unexpected hard truths you may be facing. We will discuss the challenges you will face, while providing resources and encouragement for the beautiful journey ahead.

Attend

EXHIBITOR WORKSHOP

Dana Blomberg, Faith Baptist Bible College | Classroom 153

Preparing for College

Preparing your student for college doesn't have to keep you awake at night. An hour with our team will give you an overview of what to expect from considering your college options, enrolling in classes, paying for college, and making the most of this time without losing your mind.

Attend

EXHIBITOR WORKSHOP

Dr. Cynthia Knight, Jordahl Academy | Classroom 150

Come hear Jordahl Academy's Dr. Cynthia Knight share the exciting ways that this innovative school can meet the unique needs of your student.

Session 4

4:00-5:00PM

Notes:

Attend

Heidi St. John | Sisam Arena

The Power of Godly Influence

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Did you know that you have influence? You do! The question is, what you are doing with the influence that God has given you? You have influence with your children, your friends, family, co-workers. What are you doing with it? How is your faith influencing those around you? In this powerful presentation, Heidi will share six character traits of leaders who have successfully navigated the ups and downs of leadership and used their influence to make a difference in the lives of those around them. Your legacy is already being built. What will it be?

Attend

Galadriel Miller | Viking Theatre

Teaching Math Without Losing Your Children and Your Sanity

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Recording

Math. As educators, the very word strikes fear into many of us. Whether we hate or love math, it can be hard to know how to best teach it to our children. As we consider each young person in our charge, we want their feet to be set on a firm foundation. And even more than that, we want them to see that math declares the glory of God! In this session, we will look at several sample math lessons. These lessons will be based on Richele Baburina's extensive research into Charlotte Mason's method of teaching mathematics. In math, we see Charlotte's method, based on her principles, continuing just as consistently as in all other subjects. And praise the Lord that even in math, we are all students of His, guided by His Holy Spirit!

Attend

Carol Becker | Speed Lyceum

Homeschool Recordkeeping, Evaluations, and Portfolios

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Recording

Keeping good records doesn't need to be time consuming nor burdensome - it actually saves you time and effort in the long run. In this workshop, you'll learn how and when to track your student's progress through high school.

Attend

EXHIBITOR WORKSHOP

Harold Mally, Tomorrow's Forefathers | Principle Conference Room Five Areas Defeating Christian Young Men

Will our sons give in to defeat or will they walk in victory as the Christian leaders of tomorrow? This session will share biblical answers to five areas which are defeating many Christian young men. It will help parents be equipped with answers and tools to help their sons be valiant for Christ. Harold will share practical ways to encourage our sons to be strong for the Lord in their youth, to avoid rebellion during the teen years, and to have direction for their life and ministry.

Attend

EXHIBITOR WORKSHOP

Caitlin Hodnefield | Classroom 153

The Self-Publishing Journey

Have you ever dreamed of writing your own book and getting it published? It may seem like an impossible journey, but really anyone with the willingness to put in the time and effort can fulfill their dream of becoming a published author. Find out the basics from someone who has already been through this adventure! Join author Caitlin Hodnefield as she gives you tips on how to chase your writing dreams.

Attend

MAKE AND TAKE WORKSHOP (Pre-Registration and Extra Fee Required)

Stacy Schuurmann | Classroom 150

Sensory Bins

Feeling intimidated by all the extravagant sensory bins out there? We'll let you in on a little secret... they're not actually that hard to make! Come learn about the many benefits sensory play has to offer for early learners and how to effectively use sensory bins in your homeschool. This Make & Take will give you with the inspiration to create engaging bins and provide a plethora of ideas of what to fill them with. Stacey & Annie will guide you step by step guide in building a sensory bin to take home for your little learner.

Special Meal Event

Couple's Dinner

Advanced Registration & Extra Fee Required

6:30-8:30PM



Notes:

Rob Rienow | Visionary Marriage

Marriage is wonderful. Marriage is hard. Marriage is Kingdom ministry. The health of the family overflows from our marriage relationship. Every couple needs hope and help from God's Word. Don't miss this evening of laughter and encouragement. Dr. Rob Rienow will share the Scriptures that God used to renew and strengthen his relationship with Amy. Strengthening your marriage may be the best thing you can do for your homeschooling mission.

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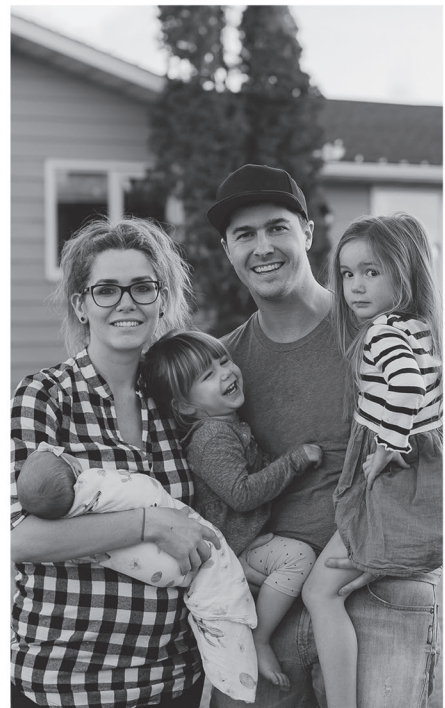
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Saturday Conference Schedule

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Sessions in the Grand View Student Center						
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VIKING THEATRE 1st floor	Homeschooling: The Big Picture Nancy Bjorkman	Christian Values in an LGBTQ World Josh Bingaman		Language Arts Charlotte Mason Style Galadriel Miller	Incorporating "Mom Care" into Your Homeschool Schedule Peggy Ployhar	The Charlotte Mason Art of Standing Aside Galadriel Miller
SPEED LYCEUM 1st floor	Raising Entrepreneurs Candice Dugger	Leadership in a Digital World: How to Prepare Your Children Candice Dugger	10:45am-11:45am <i>Exhibitor Workshop</i> Is Homeschooling Taking Over Your Life or Is it a Lifestyle? Classical Conversations	Licensed Teacher Credit Course: Curriculum Dilemmas Sara Carothers	Working & Homeschooling: How Can I Possibly Make This Work? Candice Dugger	Preserving Homeschool Freedom in Iowa Bill Gustoff
PRINCIPLE CONFERENCE ROOM 1st floor	TEEN TRACK Singleness, Purity, and Relationships Andrew & Sarah (Mally) Hancock	<i>Exhibitor Workshop</i> Creation Story: Preparing Homeschooled Students for University Science Making Reading Heavenly		TEEN TRACK Cell Phone Photography Sadie Desaulniers	<i>Exhibitor Workshop</i> Five Areas Defeating Christian Young Men US Army	TEEN TRACK How To Make A Difference In Your World Josh Bingaman
CLASSROOM 153 1st floor				<i>Exhibitor Workshop</i> Unit Studies: How to Use What Your Child Wants to Know To Teach What They Need to Learn Unbound	<i>Exhibitor Workshop</i> Preparing for College Primerica	Helping Daughters Expose Lies and Seek Truth Sarah (Mally) Hancock
CLASSROOM 150 1st floor		MAKE & TAKE <small>(pre-registration & extra fee required)</small> Nature Journaling Galadriel Miller			MAKE & TAKE <small>(pre-registration & extra fee required)</small> Meal Planning Tamara Pool	



SPECIAL EVENT:

Brunch & Learn

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Saturday, June 19, 2021 | 8:15am-5:30pm



SATURDAY WORKSHOPS 2021 Conference

Session 5

8:15-9:15AM



Notes:

Attend

Rob Rienow | Sisam Arena Your Family and God's Plan

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God wants to use your family, with all your struggles and challenges, to make a difference in the world for Christ. Throughout the Scriptures, God gives His people a "multi-generational Great Commission." This message will encourage your entire family to expand your vision for how the Lord can use your family to bless the world and build His Kingdom.

Attend

Peggy Ployhar | Valhalla Room

Overcoming Doubt (Your Greatest Homeschool Enemy)

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Doubt is the number one enemy of all homeschoolers. So, it stands to reason that overcoming doubt is the key to homeschool success. Peggy Ployhar, the CEO of SPED Homeschool, has 18 years' experience battling doubt in her own homeschooling endeavors. But, instead of letting those doubts creep in and destroy her homeschool, she learned with each battle just how much God's grace and truth provided strategies for conquering her doubts. This talk is filled with biblical fighting strategies to equip every homeschooling parent to do battle head-on with their own doubts so they can overcome them and homeschool victoriously.

Attend

Nancy Bjorkman | Viking Theatre Homeschooling: The Big Picture

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Recording

Come and discover, or discover anew, a bigger vision of what homeschooling can be for your family. Find encouragement as you reconsider your goals and put into perspective the pieces of the puzzle. We'll talk about both academic and non-academic objectives, and practical ways to fit it all together to help you and your children find out who they were created to be.

Attend

Candice Dugger | Speed Lyceum Raising Entrepreneurs

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Recording

Do you have a child who wants to start a business or is passionate about a cause? In this workshop we will discuss strategies and ways to help your child bring their dreams to reality while integrating the process as part of your homeschool journey.

Session 6

9:30-10:30AM

Attend

Rob Rienow | Sisam Arena Visionary Fatherhood

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Recording

Fatherhood is a special calling. God entrusts immortal souls into our care so that we might do all in our power to help them love and follow Jesus. In order to encourage faith in our children, we need to be encouraged with God's love for us. In this workshop, Dr. Rob Rienow will equip you with a practical plan for trusting God as a father, and helping your children do the same.



Attend

Scott Woodruff | Valhalla Room

Defending Home Education Against Allegations of Abuse

One day a terrible parent in your state may do something criminal to a child—and the media may push the narrative that because the child was homeschooled, more restrictions should be placed on homeschooling families. This session will analyze some real-life situations where this has actually happened and equip you to give a compassionate, commonsense answer when family, friends, coworkers, or the local media assert that the problem is not enough homeschool regulations. This presentation requires a projector screen and an audio connection.

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Josh Bingaman | Viking Theatre

Christian Values in an LGBT World

As a homeschool family, you know that the world has become increasingly hostile to the Christian faith. Why is the world like this and how did it get there? How do we prepare our families to engage in the secular world? How do we raise our kids to have a lifelong faith? Join us for our workshop to discuss these questions and more!

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Candice Dugger | Speed Lyceum

Leadership in a Digital World: How to Prepare Your Children

Today's generation is facing new challenges online and need tools to combat bullying, cyber-bullying, and gaming bullying. We will talk about what makes a strong leader and unpack the issues facing this generation as they work and interact online.

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EXHIBITOR WORKSHOP

Cathy Angel & Ali Roemhild, Making Reading Heavenly Principle Conference Room

Can Handwriting Instruction Really Improve My Child's Reading?

Are you teaching handwriting to enable your child to become fluent? Did you know fluent handwriting will increase both spelling and reading skills? Does your child's spelling match their reading ability? Do you have your children writing sentences each day? Are you using games to entice your child to want to learn? If you are answering "No," to any or all of these questions, you need to attend our workshop! Research proves that handwriting, spelling, and reading are interconnected. Explicit instruction in these areas is essential for maximum benefits! If there is no motivation to learn, a child just goes through the motions. Providing challenging activities and games will be the key to jump-start even the most reluctant learner.



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MAKE AND TAKE WORKSHOP (Pre-Registration and Extra Fee Required)

Galadriel Miller | Classroom 150

Nature Journaling

God has so much to teach us through studying His creation, yet sometimes it feels intimidating to incorporate nature study into our homeschool. Where do we begin? Come be encouraged and equipped with simple and practical ideas for studying nature with your children. In this make and take, we will do some nature study together and practice painting in our notebooks. No artistic skills required! (It's actually kind of therapeutic.) You will also take home a simple nature study field kit and a basic understanding of how to incorporate nature study into your homeschool. We want to breathe life into each child's school day, no matter what their "bent." Appreciate beauty. Think like a scientist. Praise God for it all!

EXHIBITOR Workshop Session: 10:45-11:45am

Attend

EXHIBITOR WORKSHOP

Melisa Weaver, Classical Conversations | Speed Lyceum

Homeschooling can be lonely and isolating, but it doesn't have to be. Join us to learn how home educating in a community of like-minded families can bless you. Explore with us the powerful impact that home educating with a community can have on your family.

Session 7 12:30-1:30PM

Attend

Heidi St. John | Sisam Arena

Raised to Release

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Jay and Heidi St John have raised four of their seven kids to adulthood—often in spite of themselves. It's tough to let your kids make their own decisions, especially when you're so used to doing it, right? What if you see them making an unwise choice? Homeschooling parents often struggle to release their teens to pursue God's plan for them but it's crucial that we do. Join Jay and Heidi as they share tools that every parent on the precipice of releasing their child needs.

Attend

Galadriel Miller | Viking Theatre

Language Arts Charlotte Mason Style

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In an age when college professors are saying that our students can't write, we are keenly aware of the importance of language arts in our child's education. But with all its different components, language arts can start to confuse us, overwhelm us, and end up exhausting our children. We buy yet one more supplemental workbook, just to make sure we aren't leaving any gaps. Charlotte Mason took a very refreshing and different look at language arts that goes along with how God wired children to learn and to write. Each lesson is short, taught in a very specific way, yet fits in with the method as a whole, giving the child a solid language arts foundation. When they graduate, we want our children to have something to say and to be able to say it well.

Attend

EXHIBITOR WORKSHOP

Matthew Rocke | Unbound | Classroom 153

Being Extraordinary at the Ordinary

Our world expects so little from students, especially college-aged students in today's day and age. In the workshop, we will address how we can change that stereotype and take back a western civilization that is crumbling. Matthew will talk about the significance of remaining engaged in a local community, creating an impact that really works, and how we can reverse the negative effects we see in our culture.

Session 8

2:00-3:00PM

Notes:

Attend

Rob Rienow | Sisam Arena

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Healing Family Relationships

Every family needs forgiveness, because every family is filled with sinful people. In this message, Dr. Rienow shares essential principles in the Bible toward equipping your family with a fresh vision for grace, mercy and forgiveness – for hurts old and new.

Attend

Peggy Ployhar | Viking Theatre

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Recording

Incorporating “Mom Care” Into Your Homeschool Schedule

You know the saying, “If mama ain’t happy, ain’t no one is happy.” But, how is a homeschooling mom to care to herself to the point of “happy” when she can barely take care of the house, teaching her kids, and sometimes even attempt juggling a full or part-time job? The answer is creative planning and a focused perspective. In this talk, Peggy Ployhar, SPED Homeschool Founder and CEO and recent cancer survivor will share her own story of near burnout and how that experience led her to many realizations about how and why it was so important to prioritize her own care to keep everything balanced in her home as well as how she creatively plans to ensuring self-care into her busy working and homeschooling schedule. You will come away with new resolve as well as creative ideas for incorporating self-care into your own busy homeschooling schedule.

Attend

Candice Dugger | Speed Lyceum

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Working and Homeschooling: How Can I Possibly Make This Work?

Do you want to homeschool, but also need to balance working? This workshop will take a look at hands-on strategies to help you balance work and homeschooling.

Attend

EXHIBITOR WORKSHOP

Dr. Susan Larson & Dwane Divine, US Army

Principle Conference Room

Strength Begins at Home

Learn about free, online achievement, enrichment, and career tools including March2Success and ASVAB-CEP. These programs support all students and families regardless of military interest or eligibility.

Attend

EXHIBITOR WORKSHOP

Vance Westerkamp & Gabrielle Lusk | Classroom 153

The Financial Concepts that Changed our Family Legacy

This Family Financial Workshop is a 1-hour workshop for your family members starting as young as teenagers. During this workshop, we will teach your entire family important money concepts, including how to get (and stay) out of debt and become financially independent. We really do believe that there is no greater gift to give your children, nieces, nephews and grandchildren than an education about money.

Attend

MAKE AND TAKE WORKSHOP (Pre-Registration and Extra Fee Required)

Tamara Pool | Classroom 150

Meal Planning

Homeschool parents aren’t just planning dinner - they are planning menus for each meal, everyday, and snacks in between. Come learn how healthy meal planning can be streamlined for one household manager and still efficient and effective with family involvement. This workshop will help you recognize and manage the tension of daily and seasonal meal planning with extra tips for holiday preparations, meals-on-the-go, and social gatherings. You’ll walk away with a planning binder and access to online resources to guide you as your plan grows with each season of parenting.

3:30-4:30PM

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HIGH SCHOOL & BEYOND

Special Track

 Notes:

12:30-1:30 pm | Carol Becker

Developing a Plan for High School

What plan would suit your high school student? What subjects do you teach and when? Do you follow a basic high school plan, a general college prep plan, or a rigorous college prep plan? This seminar will help you organize your thoughts and lay the groundwork for a viable four-year plan. You'll learn about high school credits, simplifying grading, and the fundamentals of recordkeeping—transcripts, extracurriculars, and diplomas.

1:30-1:45 pm | High School & Beyond Track Sponsor Session

Help For Your College Search | Dordt University

The college search and admission process can seem complicated and overwhelming. It doesn't have to be! Hear how Dordt University can help you navigate and succeed as you step through this important process.

2:00-3:00 pm | Carol Becker

High School Transcript Clinic

Creating a high school transcript is a vital part of your teen's high school records. In this interactive, practical seminar, you'll create a transcript that can be used as a template when designing your own. The session will guide you through the essentials of transcripts, how to evaluate credit, steps to simplify grading, and how to calculate grade point averages (GPAs).

3:00-3:15 pm | High School & Beyond Track Sponsor Session

Faith & You | Faith Baptist Bible College

Hear about this fully-accredited Baptist Bible college & seminary dedicated to preparing men and women for God's calling on their lives. Find out how Faith Baptist Bible College undergraduate, seminary, and online courses can prepare you for life and ministry and equip you to go "With the Word to the World." Celebrating 100 years in 2021!

3:30-4:30 pm | Carol Becker

Charting Your Way Through High School for College, Career, or Military

Consider a Guidance Counselor's perspective for each year of high school! For college-bound teens, this includes entrance tests, applications, and financial aid information. Students headed directly into the workforce can benefit from career aptitude testing, exploring training opportunities, and building a resume. Learn about the military's homeschool enlistment policy and advice for applying to the service academies

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A mid-sized, private university in Des Moines, Iowa, Drake University is recognized as one of the finest institutions of higher learning in the Midwest. They offer the benefits and resources of a larger institution along with the advantages of intimate class sizes and close personal relationships.

Emmaus Bible College

www.emmaus.edu

A 4-year undergraduate Bible College offering over 35 professional and ministry-oriented majors and minors. (Distance learning options are also available.)

Faith Baptist Bible College

www.faith.edu

Faith Baptist Bible College is an accredited college providing an intensive Biblical, vocational, and general education preparing students for life and ministry.

Grand View University

www.grandview.edu

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Harvest Bible College

www.harvestbible.college

A 3-year Bible college that exists to train and equip Bible-based, Gospel-centered, and Spirit-empowered servant leaders for the ministry.

Hidden Acres Christian Center

www.hacamps.org

The Ministry School at Hidden Acres is a gap year program in partnership with Trinity International University for college-age students interested in living, learning, working, and growing in a camp ministry setting. Courses are only \$150/credit!

Iowa State University

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From the moment you walk onto campus you'll feel a vibe. You'll meet people from around the world and find out they're different than you but somehow the same. And you'll find countless options and opportunities. If you haven't quite decided what you'd like to do for the rest of your life, ISU welcomes you as an adventurous explorer. You'll find 1,700 faculty members, 100 majors, 900 clubs, and 29,000 students who will play a role in your adventure. Learn more about what ISU has to offer students just like you.

U.S. Army

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Exhibitors

Grand View University Field House - Wellness Center

Apologetics Fiction

apologeticsfiction.com

Science-fiction and action-adventure novels that incorporate apologetics arguments into the plots.

BJU Press Homeschool/ HomeWorks by Precept

www.bjupresshomeschool.com

BJU Press Homeschool provides complete curriculum for preschool through 12th grade with both traditional textbooks and video courses available.

Bryan Davis

www.daviscrossing.com

Homeschooling father of seven and author of several bestselling series for youth and adults. All have a Christian world view and wholesome content.

Caitlin Hodnefield

caitlinhodnefieldauthor.squarespace.com

Author of Daughter of the Wilds, a clean, fun fantasy adventure for young adults and encourager of would-be young authors.

Classical Conversations

www.classicalconversations.com

A nationwide classical, Christian community providing academic programs, events, and services to homeschool communities, parents, and educators.

Convention of the States

conventionofstates.com

Co-founded by Michael Farris, its mission is to restore a culture of self-governance in America and to curtail federal overreach through a limited Article V Convention to propose constitutional amendments that impose limitations on the size and scope of the federal government and term limits for federal officials.

Discovery Toys

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Educational toys from birth to 99+. Each toy has many layers of learning built into it which continual educational engagement.

Educational Resources Associates

www.thekidfixer.net

We are a diagnostic testing and tutoring facility dedicated to helping each child and adult achieve their full learning potential.

Embrace Life Chiropractic

www.GoEmbraceLife.com

We are a neurologically-based chiropractic office, where we specialize in the care of families and children. We are a Christian & faith-based business. We are offering free neurological evaluations and talking with families about health!

Enrichment Therapy & Learning Center P.C.

enrichmenttherapies.com

Providing individual sessions for speech, language, reading, math, dyslexia, and writing. Also group academic programs to build reading and math skills. Additional opportunities for parents to meet twice a month with an online communities to acquire valuable resources and empowering connections.

Exploring Expression

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Curriculum, books, learning in style jewelry, parent education, and household management materials.

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The FAMiLY Leader

thefamilyleader.com

Learn about LEAD, a Christian worldview and leadership camp this summer, hosted by The FAMiLY Leader, an organization dedicated to strengthening families, by inspiring Christ-like leadership in the home, the church, and the government.

FunSchoolingFusion with Simply Fun

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Family and Educational Board Games with Special Needs Assessments for use with children with learning struggles.

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highlandslatin.org/hls-des-moines

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Imagination Investigation

www.chawnaschroeder.com

Curriculum for teaching discernment and the handling of media, as well as a selection of Christian fiction.

Informed Choice Iowa

www.informedchoiceiowa.com

We provide information about informed consent and parental rights as it pertains to vaccines.

Iowa Right to Life

www.iowartl.org

Educational information on development stages of the unborn. Legislation information on Pro-Life issues. Free giveaways of 12-week unborn baby models, temporary tattoos, pens, and pamphlets.

JAARS Inc.

www.jaars.org

A multi-disciplinary team of problem-solvers committed to the belief—and the vision—that people's lives and communities are transformed as they experience God's Word in their own language. Information about JAARS Bible translation, short-term mission trip opportunities, volunteering, and mission careers.

John Birch Society

www.jbs.org

Numerous resources relating to our Christian heritage, as well as defending our Judeo-Christian heritage, the Constitution, and our God-given rights. Printed materials, DVDs, CDs, the New American magazine, and numerous ways to educate our children (The Freedom Academy) and citizenry at large will be offered.

Jordahl Academy

jordahlacademy.org

An accredited middle school/high school that offers individualized educational experiences for students who are wanting project based blended learning.

Lamplighter Publishing

www.lamplighter.net

Most people don't want to settle for worthless entertainment, but they don't know where to turn. At Lamplighter, we provide rare books and audio dramas that entertain and build Christlike character through captivating stories with inspiring role models.

Making Reading Heavenly

www.makingreadingheavenly.com

Offering reading, spelling, and handwriting products that help reluctant and beginning readers. Products focus on explicit phonics instruction, teaching through engaging games, and building knowledge of the six types of syllables using the Orton-Gillingham method. Their Writing With Rhythm handwriting program offers a multi-sensory approach using video links that provide instruction.

National Archery in the Schools [NASP]

www.iowadnr.gov/Things-to-Do/Shooting-Sports/Archery-in-the-Schools-NASP

Offering information on how to start an archery program and partake in the after-school competitive season NASP offers in Iowa.

Nebraska Scientific

www.nebraskascientific.com

Science kits for at-home science experiments and education. Focusing on dissection specimens, they also provide an array of STEM activities for all grade levels.

Primerica Financial Services

www.primerica.com/vwesterkamp

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Reasons to Believe Des Moines Chapter

reasons.org

Science curriculum and resources presenting sound reason and scientific research that supports, rather than erodes, faith in God and the truth of the Scriptures.

Ruby Reads

www.rubyreadsbooks.com

Read-Aloud Posters and Picture Book Boxes to help make reading together a joyful part of your family culture.

Sonlight Curriculum

www.sonlight.com

A complete Bible-based curriculum to assist Christian parents in the work of raising their children in the nurture and fear of the Lord. Pre-School through high school - A complete homeschool curriculum you're guaranteed to love.

Teaching Textbooks

www.teachingtextbooks.com

Math curriculum designed specifically for homeschoolers, Math 3 through Pre-Calculus. (Available in book/CD form and also online.)

Thistledown Farms

www.DrNinjaAuthor.com

Dr. Ninja, author of *Riding with My Dad*, will be available at his booth to chat and sign purchased copies. Children's fiction and t-shirts printed with book covers will be available as well.

Tomorrow's Forefathers

tomorrowsforefathers.com

Discipleship materials to equip families to be strong in the Lord.

True Potential Education

www.truepotential.ed.com

True Potential Education is a dyslexia-focused educational center in West Des Moines, IA. We provide diagnostic assessments, as well as Orton Gillingham remediation (tutoring in-person or virtually) and continuing education for educators.

Truth & Life Ministry

A complete Bible based curriculum to assist Christian parents in the work of raising their children in the nurture and fear of the Lord. They also have many preschool books and character building story books for the whole family.

Unbound

beunbound.us

A Christian project-based college facilitation company that helps students design a degree plan that best fits their needs to complete a bachelor's degree through their Ascend program. Students can earn up to 90 credits through Unbound before transferring to an accredited university. Unbound also offers the Navigate program, a 12-week decision-making course designed to help young adults work through life's decisions by asking the right questions, testing answers, and making wise, God-honoring choices along the way.

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Usborne Books & More

s10735.myubam.com

Engaging and educational books for children of all ages. Many are suggested for use as supplements to popular homeschool curricula and recommended as additional resources to nurture children's love of learning.

Water in the Word

www.christianfaithpublishing.com

Water in the Word: A Daily Bible Reading and Activity Workbook provides the means for young readers, teenagers, and beyond to learn more about the Bible. The 52 lessons from Genesis to Revelation are jam-packed with numerous activities which include math, art, history, music, and more.

YWAM

www.waldorf.edu

Publishers of the best-selling Christian Heroes: Then & Now and Heroes of History biographies & unit studies and other homeschool, missions, and Christian growth materials, including titles by nationally-known authors and speakers, like Heidi St John and Carol Barnier.

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Friday 10am-7pm

Saturday 9am-5:30pm

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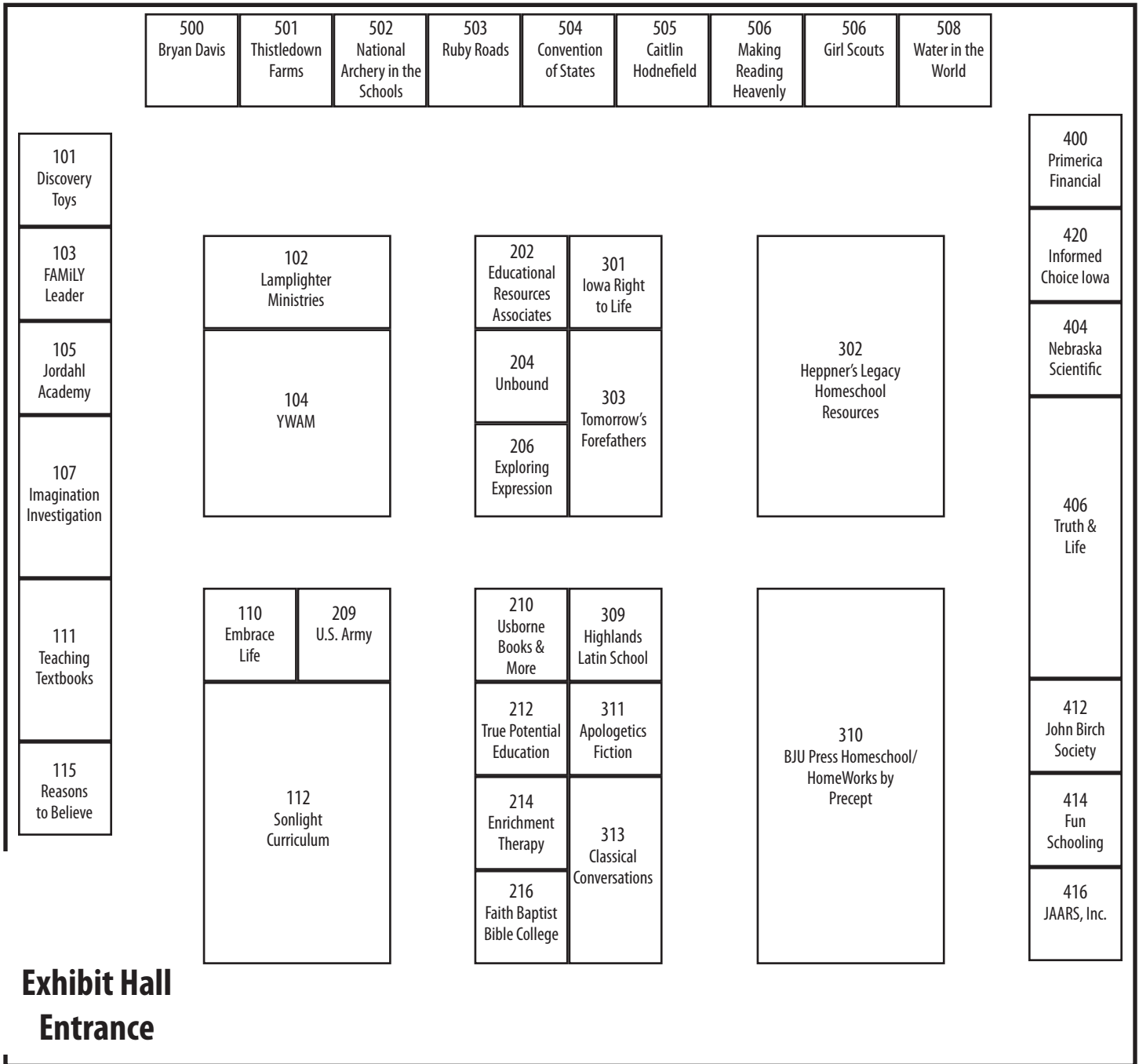
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and 5:00pm-7:00pm**

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Bill Gustoff
Homeschool Iowa Lobbyist

One of our goals as an organization is to protect our homeschooling freedom in Iowa. In order to reach that goal, we carefully monitor legislation that would affect homeschooling. Additionally, we provide recommendations to our legislators as they consider laws that would affect homeschooling.

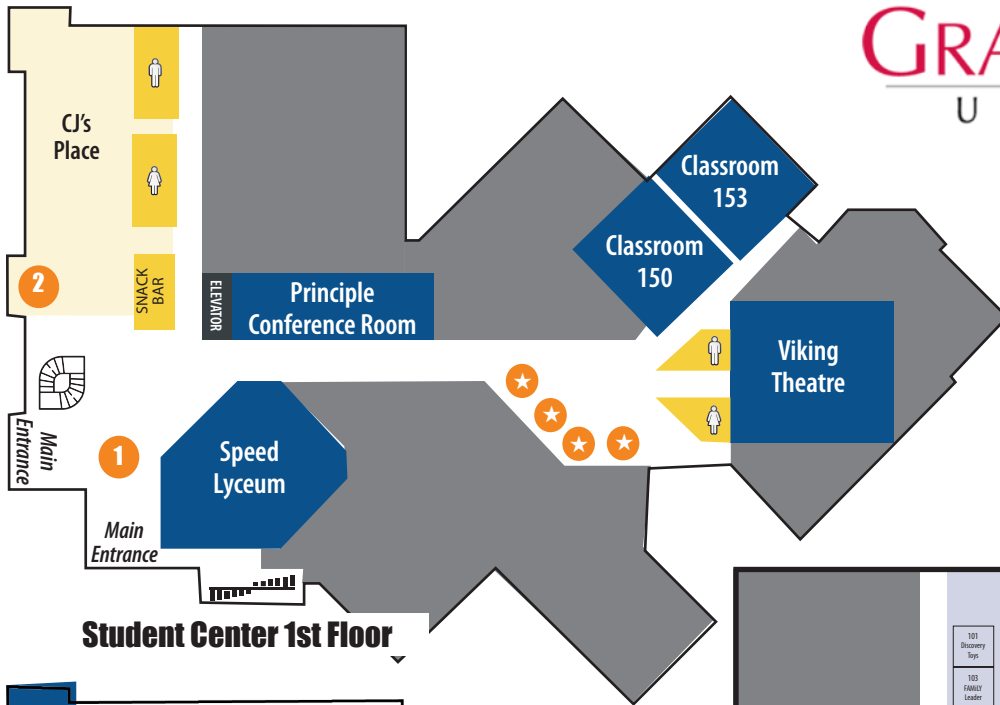
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