

## **CSTHEA Home Education Expo Workshops 2022**

### **Aaron Academy**

Are you thinking of homeschooling this year or have you already made the decision to homeschool? Let Aaron Academy help you get started!

We have been serving CSTHEA families for over 22 years and we love seeing new families begin their home school journey.

During our time together I will discuss these important topics:

1. What is an umbrella school and how to choose one.
2. How many hours to teach each day.
3. How to choose curriculum.
4. How to keep grades and days.
5. Testing requirements.
6. Questions about socialization.
7. Tutorials and enrichment classes.
8. How students can play sports.
9. How students can earn a highschool diploma and attend college.
10. Also, there will be time for questions at the end of the seminar.

My goal is to encourage and equip you as you begin this journey.

### **Cynthia L Simmons**

#### **Preparing Your Child for Life: Teaching Worldview**

We now live in a post-Christian world, and children need to understand the world they will live in. This class explains secular worldviews and compares them to the Biblical worldview. Prepare your child to recognize prevalent errors in our society.

#### **How to Prepare Your Child to Write for Publication**

Creative writing and writing for publication vary.

This class will present an overview of the publishing world. It includes fiction, nonfiction, what editors look for and types of publishing.

### **doTerra - Natural Summer Solutions for the Homeschool Family**

Come learn how easy it is to find natural solutions to make this the best and healthiest summer for your family yet! Also tips and tricks to help you get started on the right foot for the new school year!

**Frances Arthur**

### **Emotional Health and Intelligence for Teens**

Things have certainly changed since we were teenagers! Being a teenager has never been easy, but today it seems more difficult than ever. This is evidenced by the increase in self-harm, static drug use numbers, and the increase in students diagnosed with ADHD, depression, anxiety, and other behavioral disorders. Sadly, the homeschool community is not exempt from this. Neither are Christians. But we can change that! In this workshop, you will learn how to teach your teenager to be emotional healthy and to make good decisions for themselves. You will learn factors that lead to poor emotional intelligence, and how to overcome them. At the conclusion of the course, you will be armed with information that will help guide you as you strive to protect your teen from becoming another bad statistic.

### **Pearls of Wisdom for Homeschooling Moms**

New to Homeschooling - Do you have a million questions? This workshop is for you! Moms (and Dads) who have never homeschooled or have only been homeschooling for a few years don't have the years of experience under their belt to know how to manage some of the finer details of effective homeschooling. This class is **NOT** to answer questions about umbrellas, which CRS is best, how to navigate registering with the public school system, or which curriculum is best. In this class you will learn ways to navigate the "socialization question," how to manage time wisely, how to use informal teaching methods, how to use formal teaching methods, when to use formal and informal teaching, ways to make learning fun, and how to help your child develop a firm foundation in learning who they are and who's they are. If you've been homeschooling 0-3 years, this workshop is for YOU!

### **Pearls of Wisdom for Homeschooling Moms: Tweens and Teens**

Whether you knew all along, or decided on the journey, that you'd been homeschooling your 10-18 year old students, there are some difficult areas to navigate in these years. The 13-letter "S" word is still a monster to be managed. With hormonal changes come behavioral changes that cannot be ignored. Yet somewhere in that 24 hours, you still have to teach your children. Working with middle and high school students is not for the faint of heart - it takes courage and conviction. This workshop is taught by a mom who has "been there and done that" with great success, both because of her, and in spite of her. Along the way she learned a few things (college is not the best thing for everyone; the definition of "no" has not changed since their childhood; how to convince teens to do stuff they don't want to do and make it seem like it was their idea, etc.) and is willing to share them. Come to this workshop and learn from a 20+ year veteran homeschool mom and professional educator.

## **Jeannette Tulis**

### **Utilizing Wonder, Stories and Hands-on Learning in the Kindergarten Year at Home**

The Kindergarten Year should be one of coming alongside your child to wonder at nature out of doors, to enjoy the best picture books and to play games and other activities to encourage concrete learning opportunities. Jeannette has taught a two day a week kindergarten enrichment program for the past 4 years and has loved this kindergarten age in which children are introduced to the idea of lessons in a relaxed atmosphere of age appropriate but worthy ideas, food for imagination to take flight. But how to do this in your homeschool? Come to find out Jeannette's favorite kindergarten resources.

### **Encouraging Worthy Reading Through the Choice of Living Books**

Have you ever heard someone say that it does not matter what a child is reading as long as they are reading? Jeannette debunks this idea by explaining why what a child reads matters, how to steer your children toward worthy books, resources of favorite living books and where to find them. In the second half of the workshop, Jeannette will offer her "book matching" services. Participants can share interests of their children and favorite genres and Jeannette will come up with specific living book suggestions. Jeannette has a huge free lending library of mostly out of print children's classic books and is more than happy to share what she knows about children's literature, fiction and non-fiction.

**Charlotte Mason Principles in the Homeschool: Respecting the Child, Forming Relationships** Charlotte Mason's Educational philosophy changed the face of education in the United Kingdom in the early 1900's. Now it is spreading throughout the world as homeschooling parents find her principles and realize how this philosophy fits the way children learn naturally. Jeannette homeschooled her 4 children through high school mostly following Charlotte Mason methods, and for 20 years has led the local CM Homeschool support group, and is an admin for the Ambleside Online fb group. Come to hear how CM principles are applied subject by subject, where to find resources to help you explore further and how you can connect locally and online for practical support.

## **Kristin Grear**

### **Making it work with Multiple Grades (including tips for the toddler in tow)**

Are you homeschooling more than grade at a time? I have some practical tips for you to have a successful school year. This Mother of 8, who has homeschooled the last fifteen years is currently homeschooling 6 with an active three year old.

### **Choosing your Homeschooling Style and Finding a Mentor with Homeschool Inspire**

Are you new to homeschooling? Have heard the words Classical, Charlotte Mason, Unschooling, Unit Study, Traditional, Eclectic to name a few, but not sure what they mean. I'm going to give you an overview to help you find your style. Do you need a mentor to help encourage you? Homeschool Inspire has a wonderful group of veteran homeschool moms that are willing to help you.

### **Learning Rx**

#### **Train the Brain to Read and Focus**

Do you have a struggling learner? Does the learning process seem harder than it should? Let's focus on the "how" instead of the "what" in learning. Cognitive Skills dictate our learning process, utilizing our brain's ability to focus, process quickly, retain information, problem solve, and easily read, spell and comprehend.

Hear from Michelle Hecker Davis, Board Certified Cognitive Specialist, about the importance of cognitive efficiency and it's role in learning. You will leave the workshop with more insight into your learner's strengths and weaknesses, as well as tools for addressing any struggles at the root. This workshop is especially helpful for those students who struggle with attention, learning, and reading-related difficulties.

### **Main Stream Autism Services**

#### **ABA Therapy Crash Course**

Have you ever wondered what to do if you suspect your child to be on the autism spectrum? Come and learn some basic steps and how ABA therapy can help.

## **Pat Wesolowski – Bryan College**

**Preparing Your Teen for College (It is easier than you might think!)** How can a parent be sure their students are prepared for life after high school? When do you begin preparing and what all do you need to do in order to be sure your students are prepared for college? With intention and well-planning, it is not difficult to homeschool your high school student with confidence. Come and find out more about dual enrolling, transcripts, scholarships and college testing. Do not rule out private colleges that come with high sticker prices because there are many ways to bring down the cost of college! You can do this!

**Gifts, Talents and Entrepreneurship** Don't wait until your students are in high school to begin teaching economics, financial planning and entrepreneurship. As homeschooling parents we have the time and the freedom to help our children discover their gifts and talents before they ever leave home. Your teens have an idea of which career, vocation, and/or ministry to pursue after high school. The sooner they formulate a plan, the sooner they can enjoy the fruits of their labor. Whether employed or self-employed, our teens can become entrepreneurs with multiple streams of passive income, preparing them financially to go and be and do whatever they are called to do!

### **RightStart™ Math: Why it Works**

Have you heard the buzz about RightStart™ Math? Hear about our philosophy and what sets

us apart from other curricula. We will teach children that a real mathematical problem is like a puzzle, that math is more than memorization, and that math is fun. Come and learn what's

special about our math program!

### **RightStart™ Fractions**

Do you remember the groans in math class when the word 'fraction' was brought up? Well,

there is a better and less painful way of teaching fractions! Fractions are, dare I say, fun when

they are taught the right way. What's the right way to teach them? Come and find out! Find

the beauty and simplicity of fractions using RightStart Math.

## **Scriptorium Hall**

### **Dead Men Tell No Tales...But They Might Say Something Else Worth Listening To**

Why should Americans even bother studying history before the founding of Jamestown in 1607? Weren't the Greeks and Romans just pagans who were barely a step above the barbarians? Weren't the Medievals just Dark Age killers dodging bouts of plague? Didn't humans become reasonable just about the time the American colonies were founded? This session will throw light on ten little-known individuals from before 1600 who still influence - or should influence - our society today.

### **A Curriculum for Knights and Other Dragon-Slayers**

How do we prepare students not only to survive but even to flourish by upholding the true, the good, and the beautiful in a culture saturated with the false, the wicked, and the ugly? to slay intellectual dragons – invisible as they are and all the more dangerous because they pretend to be good? This session does not have all the answers, but it will be a serious attempt to shed light on one of the most vital issues facing anyone graced with the task of preparing young people for heroic action after the diplomas have been awarded.

### **Speak Out Loud!**

Do your kids have the confidence to use their voice to speak up for what they believe in? Can they articulate their convictions and effectively communicate their positions? Now more than ever, our students need the opportunity to practice their public speaking skills and gain experience speaking out loud. That is why at **Speak Out Loud Academy**, we invest in the next generation through *Apologetics* and *Public Speaking* classes. Come join this fun workshop to find out more about the hands-on activities and engaging topics covered in these invaluable classes that will be offered this fall.

## **Strong Rock Academy**

### **Learn how to Juggle!!**

Coach Cochrane will take the time to answer any questions covering PE curriculum as well as available classes. He will demonstrate and teach how to juggle 3 scarves which transfers to three balls

## **TN Student Eagles**

Today, young conservatives with Judeo-Christian values must be knowledgeable, independent thinkers in order to face the social and political environment of our world. More often than not, our young people enter into colleges and universities as lambs to the slaughter, unable to handle the full-scale frontal attack on their values and their faith. Most conservative students with conservative parents know what their parents believe about these issues, so they have just followed along with them. This will not be helpful when they are away at college or in the workforce and have to defend their position for the first time. It is not only important for them to know what they believe. Student Eagles teaches them why they should believe it. Then we help them to develop their argument and learn to defend their position. Attend this workshop to learn more about this free organization for your teen.

## **Walnut Street Publishing**

### **Questions for a Publisher**

Get an overview of what a publisher does find out the details on writing books and poetry Learn how to build your social media and how to sell your book. Chat with us during a question-and-answer time.