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2011 Convention Session Listing

Speaker Bio: Cindy Kelly



Cindy is a veteran homeschooler of 13 years and is a lifelong learner who has a passion for helping others discover how to reach their goals through traditional and outside-the-box methods of learning.

Her passions lie in sharing how students and families can make

learning part of their lifestyle, and loves to see others explore new methods use critical thinking skills to reach their full potential and enhance their love of learning.

Over the years Cindy has lead support groups and co-ops, presented on learning styles and homeschooling methods as well as informally mentored other moms. She loves to share her passion and 'come alongside' on this journey, through homeschooling and continued learning through college and beyond!

Cindy currently is a Program Advisor for College Plus! She is married to a fellow lifelong learner, John and their two sons are completing their degrees through College Plus! She earned a BA in Economics at Texas Tech University and an MBA (Finance) through the University of Texas at Austin. Her family resides in the beautiful piney woods of southeast Texas.

What About College?

One of the biggest questions facing homeschoolers today is, "What are we going to do about college?" Whether it is the financial expense or a deeper concern for the education and formation of their student, parents face tough questions concerning this relevant topic.

Unfortunately, most are not aware of all their options. Many send their children off to college with their fingers crossed, hoping for the best, while others forgo college altogether and hope that their success in life is not hampered due to a lack of credentials. Check out these recent statistics:

- Literacy among college grads has fallen to 31% (American Library Association)
- 70% of students "lose their faith" at college (The Barna Group)
- College students spend more time in sports than study (National Center for Education Statistics)
- Only 54% of college freshmen will graduate from college (USAToday)

For the past eleven years, CollegePlus! has inspired audiences of all sizes with a revolutionary approach to education that perfectly matches the methodology and paradigm of homeschooling. In these practical how-to sessions, we show students how to save years worth of time and thousands of dollars graduating debt free. If you believe in homeschooling, you'll love the concepts presented in these sessions. Give your attendees additional perspective to the challenging decisions they face related to college.

Endorsed by leaders in the homeschool community like Doug Phillips, Voddie Baucham, Jeff Myers, and more!

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1. College The Smart Way: 4 Secrets to Save Time and Money

What does your student need to be successful today? A college degree? For many families, answering the college question is a difficult task. Often the cost, time required, inefficiencies, or negative college environment are too great an obstacle. Sadly, many families either choose against attending college or borrow thousands of dollars to do so.

In this session, we challenge what a true college education is and what it takes to compete in the 21st Century. We discuss the importance of internships, will introduce a new proven systems for earning college credit for a fraction of the time and cost, and the financial benefits of putting the money you would have spent on traditional college into helping launch your student into life.

2. Dual Credit On Steroids: How to Earn Your First Year of College for Under \$500!

Who says you need to be in a classroom for an entire semester to earn college credit? With Credit by Exam, students can earn college credit in over 300 standardized subject exams, commonly known as CLEP and DSST exams.

This practical and insightful session will introduce you to established Credit by Exam programs which allows students to accomplish dual credit, saving you money and time while never setting foot in a college classroom. Attendees learn exam-specific study tips on the five general CLEP exams, which represent the equivalent of the first year of college. Come discover the best kept secret in higher education!

3. Study Like a Genius: Unlocking Your Brain

All learning is founded on one key—the ability to take in information and then remember it. Unfortunately, most students are never taught how to effectively learn. Each school year, students spend countless hours studying, only to have the information seemingly disappear when they need it most.

Whether a parent or a student, in this interactive session, you will learn how to use study tools such as speed reading and memory techniques to exponentially increase your study potential! Discover practical ways to implement memory tools such as the “peg” system and mindmaps in academics, work, or everyday life.

Listen to this five minute audio excerpt from Voddie Baucham.

Past Event References

ColllegePlus! presenters have spoken across the country. For a full list of previous speaking visit **Past Speaking**

- CHAP | Harrisburg, PA
- CHEA | Pasadena, CA
- CHEC | Denver, CO
- CHEO | Columbus, OH
- FPEA | Orlando, FL
- IAHE | Indianapolis, IN
- MACHE | Minneapolis, MN
- MHC | Cincinnati, OH
- NCHE | Winston Salem, NC
- THSC | Houston, TX

Answers to Frequently Asked Questions

Compensation:

Cindy is aware that every organization differs in size, budget, and method of providing honorariums and reimbursements. Her normal request is that housing and travel expenses be reimbursed while the honorarium is left to the discretion and desires of the coordinators. A complimentary booth is appreciated but not required.

Equipment Needs:

Cindy will bring a PowerPoint projector. A screen and a power outlet are the only items that would be helpful.

Do people leave thinking they need to buy a product?

Although ColllegePlus! is pleased to participate as an exhibitor at events and does sell educational products, all of Cindy's presentations are self-contained, practical, and inspiring sessions that do not require the purchase of additional materials. Our sessions are packed with money saving tips and techniques parents can immediately put to use with the resources they already own.

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