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2011 Convention Session Listing

Speaker Bio: Ryan Yamane



In 2004, Ryan graduated cum laude with his Bachelor's Degree in Business Management after just 14 months of study for under \$10k. That same year, he co-founded and currently serves as COO of CollegePlus!, an innovative alternative to campus based college

that has spread like wildfire and has quickly achieved a national presence.

As a first generation homeschool graduate, Ryan understands the unique challenges that homeschoolers face. He recognizes that due to the training they've received and maturity they exhibit, many homeschool graduates are poised to move into positions of influence as the next generation of world leaders. Each year, Ryan has the opportunity to share his expertise and first-hand experiences with thousands of parents and students at conventions and seminars across the country. These sessions are known for being both inspiring and insightful. When not working or studying, Ryan enjoys dating his wife, playing on the living room floor with his kids, or riding his dirt bike with the guys. He and his wife Julianne, both homeschool graduates reside in Moses Lake, WA with their four children.

What About College?

One of the biggest questions facing homeschoolers today is, "What are we going to do about college?" Whether it be 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 parents send their children off to college with their fingers crossed, hoping for the best. 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 students 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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Session Listing

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, 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. Bachelor's Degree by 18: What Colleges Don't Tell You

How did our Founding Fathers graduate from college at 15, 16, and 17 years old? This practical session focuses on how students can maximize their study by incorporating a souped-up version of the dual credit method into their homeschool schedule using the curriculum they already own. Topics covered include: the foundations of effective learning, helping your children better understand their purpose and the college major that best matches, and earning college credit while still in high school.

A shortcut to life or graduate studies, this concept saves thousands of dollars and years of time, launching your student years ahead of the pack. Learn how your child can earn a college degree before your high school graduation! Hear for yourself how this is possible.

4. 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 people 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 student, in this interactive and practical 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, and everyday life.

5. Mentoring: Rediscovering a Lost Art*

Throughout history, learning has taken place through the relational process of mentoring. However, in today's model of education, there has been a shift toward exclusively learning through books, computers, classrooms, and videos. While these modern methods certainly have their place, they can leave the learner relationally deficient and narrow-minded. In this session, Ryan presents a vision for relational learning and outline practical methods for establishing mentoring relationships in your life and in the lives of your teens.

6. Parenting into Adulthood: A former Student's Message to Parents*

As a teenager and young adult, Ryan fell prey to the same spirit of rebellion that plagues many youth today. Blessed by God's grace, a strong mentor, and his parents loving, yet firm, direction, Ryan was spared and put on the right path. Come hear the heart of this former student as he discusses the importance of purpose, vision, and prayerful, steadfast parents in the life of a young person. Parents and students alike will find this session challenging and encouraging.

7. Entrepreneurship: From the Garage to the Globe!

It has been said that the most significant years of a young person's development are between the ages of 8 and 18! While the rest of the world is waiting for life to begin, homeschoolers are taking advantage of these years for purposeful endeavors and entrepreneurial pursuits.

This session is for those who are not afraid to put their creative juices to work, learn some business lingo, and discover practical steps to start and grow your business. Hear stories of entrepreneurs who started small. From a lemonade stand to the next Google, walk away from this session with practical information to get started in your entrepreneurial venture.

Listen to sample audio
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We suggest:
Asterisks (*) suggested keynote sessions.
Sessions 1-3 are best presented in order.

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Speaking Details

Suggested Session Packages

Depending on your individual event, we recommend the following session combinations which complement each other. These are optional suggestions for your scheduling help.

Three Session Weekend:

- College The Smart Way: 4 Secrets to Save Time and Money
- Dual Credit On Steroids: How to Earn Your First Year of College for Under \$500!
- Study Like a Genius: Unlocking Your Brain

Four Session Weekend:

- College The Smart Way: 4 Secrets to Save Time and Money
- Dual Credit On Steroids: How to Earn Your First Year of College for Under \$500!
- Study Like a Genius: Unlocking Your Brain
- Mentoring: Rediscovering a Lost Art

Five or More Session Weekend:

- College The Smart Way: 4 Secrets to Save Time and Money
- Dual Credit On Steroids: How to Earn Your First Year of College for Under \$500!
- Study Like a Genius: Unlocking Your Brain
- Mentoring: Rediscovering a Lost Art
- Session(s) of your choosing

Past Event References

Ryan has spoken across the country. For a full list of previous speaking visit **Past Speaking**

- FL | FPEA
- CA | CHEA
- GA | GHEA
- TX | THSC
- CO | CHEC
- WA | Washington Christian Heritage

Answers to Frequently Asked Questions

Compensation:

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

Equipment Needs:

He 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 CollegePlus! is pleased to participate as an exhibitor at events and does sell educational products, all Ryan'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 that parents can immediately put to use with the resources they already own.

Listen to this five minute audio excerpt from Voddie Baucham.

Comments on Ryan's Sessions

"Ryan was great—humorous, pleasant, likeable; yet informative and serious."

"Very enlightening and thought-provoking. Thanks for providing a unique and creative approach to college."

"Very informative and helpful information. Finally! We've been needing this information for many years!"

"Inspirational for the 'not-so-perfect.'"

"Excellent delivery, energetic speaker..."

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