

## What It is

Cultivating wisdom and virtue through classical, Christian community, in order to know God and to make Him known.
"I probably would not consider homeschooling through high school if it were not for classical Conversations."

The Challenge program is for students twelve and older. For thirty weeks Challenge students study six challenging subjects (or content areas) at home while practicing dialectic and rhetoric skills in the context of universal themes and ideas within a community setting. An experienced homeschooling parent tutors
"As many school systems go from bad to worse in the number of responsible young adults they turn out, $C C$ is raising the standard. Praise god?"
the students in math, foreign language, and science labs. Students also receive suggestions for improving their written and oral works. Other coursework is shared through facilitated discussions and contemplations. We call each level a Challenge rather than a grade because we want students to be enrolled in the level they are prepared to study.

## What Sets Us Apart <br> Education is guiding students into a relationship through a relationship.

Two key concepts: integrated ideas and personal relationship.
We believe subjects cannot be taught in isolation. For example, in higher learning, math finds its application and climax in the sciences; similarly literature analysis cannot be separated from
philosophy, theology, and history. Our Challenge tutors lead all Challenge seminars with a two-fold purpose: first, to develop a strong personal relationship with the students; second, to lead the integration of ideas, skills, and content.

## CC's Challenge Program Paradigm

|  | Classical Education <br> Teachers <br> No more than two tutors model teaching/learning <br> for all six subjects. |
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| Whetoric <br> Celebration | On a yearly basis, tutors are trained in the classical <br> model of teaching. |
| Training | Our goal is to develop life-long skills of learning <br> through parental leadership, to discover unifying <br> principles within a variety of disciplines, and to <br> discuss issues from a biblical worldview within an <br> academic community with the purpose of culti- <br> vating wisdom and virtue. |
| Goals |  | | Subjects are integrated around universal themes |
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| and ideas while compared with a biblical world- |
| view. |

Classical Conversations exists as a complementary service to homeschooling families, and as such, parents retain the primary responsibilities of teaching and recording their student's progress.
A student's academic success and readiness for college depends not solely on participation in CC's Challenge program but also on the
motivation and priorities at home.
However, more and more families are choosing to homeschool through high school using Classical Conversations Challenge program because they find it to be excellent for cultivating wisdom and virtue in a student's life while preparing them academically for college.

UNITS REQUIRED FOR GRADUATION*

| College Prep Program |  | Classical Conversations Program |  |  |  | Credits |
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|  | Credits | LEVEL |  |  |  |  |
| Course | Required* | 1 | 11 | III | IV | TOTAL |
| English | 4 | American Lit. and Composition | British Lit. and Composition | Poetry/ Shakespeare | Ancient Literature | 6 |
| Math <br> Algebra 1, 2 (2) <br> Geometry (1) beyond Algebra 2 (1) | 4 | Algebra 1 | Algebra 2** | Adv. Math ${ }^{* *}$ | Adv. Math B | 5 |
| Science (2 with lab) | 3 | Physical Science \& lab | Biology \& lab | Chemistry \& lab | Physics | 4 |
| Social Studies | 4 | Economics/ American Government | Western Cultural History | American History | World History | 4 |
| Foreign Language (same language) | 2 | Latin I | Latin II | Caesar and Cicero | Language and Literature | 4 |
| Health \& Physical Ed | 1 |  |  |  |  | 0 |
| Electives | 6 | Drama/ Philosophy I | Logic I/American Drama | Philosophy II/ Logic II | Theology | 4 |
|  |  | Debate (1/2) | Speech/Oral Presentation (1⁄2) | Speech/Oral Presentation (1⁄2) | Forensics/Oral Presentation | 2.5 |
| Totals | 24 | 7.5 | 7.5-8 | 6.5-7 | 7-8 | 29.5 |

*This is a general guide based on state guidelines in $\mathrm{VA}, \mathrm{OH}, \mathrm{MI}$, and NC , college admissions requirements for UNC-Chapel Hill, U of Michigan, Princeton, Harvard, Clemson, UVA, and VA Tech, and guidelines from HSLDA and SAT and ACT college prep materials. Check with the university system in your state for specific requirements.
**Saxon's Algebra 2 contains one semester of geometry. Taking Saxon Advanced Math completes the year of geometry ( 1 credit) as well as a year of Advanced Algebra, Trigonometry, and Pre-Calculus (1 credit). See the FAQ section of www.saxonhomeschool.hmhco.com for more information.

In a 2009 survey of Challenge program graduates,

- $80 \%$ had received financial aid based on merit.
- $40 \%$ had received over half the cost of tuition in merit aid.
- $20 \%$ had been awarded merit aid for $75-100 \%$ of tuition.

CC graduates have gone on to study:

Applied Science
Biology
Chemistry
Communication
Dance
Elem. Education
English
Entrepreneurship

History
Engineering Journalism Music Nursing Physics Political Science and more...

Graduates of the Challenge
Program have been accepted at a wide range of four-year colleges and universities, including:
Appalachian State University
Averett University
Baptist College of Florida Belhaven College Belmont College Biola University
Bridgewater College
Bryan College
Cedarville University
Chowan College
Covenant College
Campbell University Clemson University
Converse College
Davidson College
Duke University
East Carolina University Elon University
Emory \& Henry College Florida State University Gardner-Webb University Greensboro College Grove City College Hampden-Sydney College High Point University Hillsdale College Hollins University

King's College
Lee University
Lenoir-Ryne College
Liberty University
Montreat College
North Carolina State
University
Palm Beach Atlantic University
Patrick Henry College
Queen's University of Charlotte
Randolph-Macon College
Randolph-Macon Women's College
St. John's University
Sweetbriar College
Temple University
Toccoa Falls College
UNC-Asheville
UNC-Chapel Hill
UNC-Charlotte
UNC-Greensboro
UNC-Wilmington
University of Richmond
U.S. Air Force Academy USC-Columbia
Virginia Commonwealth
University
Virginia Tech
Wake Forest University
Wingate University
Wheaton College
Wofford College

