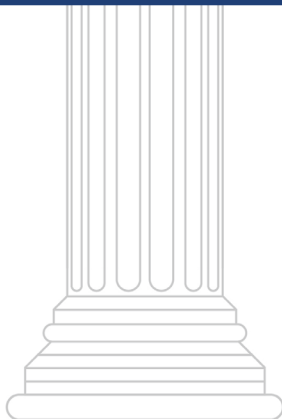




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2025 SENIOR THESIS PRESENTATIONS

Monday, May 12, 2025

Session 1 On Raising Children Well

8:15 Hope Brown

8:50 Seth Corbett

9:25 Naomi Hauser

Session 2 Men, Women, and Culture

10:15 Hope Hollister

10:50 Jono McGarvey

11:25 Rebecca Shirley

Session 3 On Navigating Technology Wisely

1:00 Ben Effinger

1:35 John Schild

Session One

ON RAISING CHILDREN WELL

“The Death of the Library: Modern Culture is Losing Literary Proficiency” *by Hope Brown*

Modern culture has lost literary proficiency. Is it important that we are able to read and understand the Iliad and the Republic? In the 2025 National Survey, almost half of all Americans had not read a single book in over a year. Do they lose anything?

“Real Achievement, Real Rewards: Why the Idea that ‘Everybody is a Winner’ is Harmful to Youth” *by Seth Corbett*

The idea that “everyone is a winner” is false and harmful to youth. Why do our youth feel so entitled? Are we truly preparing them for the challenges of the future?

“Bored Out of Their Minds: Why Kids Need More Boredom to Thrive” *by Naomi Hauser*

Children today need more boredom. How are children going to be bored if they are always stimulated? What are they missing?

Session Two

MEN, WOMEN, AND CULTURE

“High Heels, Higher Hurdles: How the Stereotypical Notions of Femininity in Sports are Negatively Impacting Female Athletes and the Progression of Women’s Sports as a Whole” *by Hope Hollister*

The stereotypical notions of femininity in sports negatively impact female athletes. Not due to a lack of interest, skill, or excitement, but rather stereotypes within sports shape how female athletes, and women’s sports as a whole, are perceived.

“Man Down: Why Society Must Reclaim True Manhood” *by Jono McGarvey*

Our society must recover the biblical notion of manhood. Manhood today has shown itself in two extremes: passivity and dominance. But examining manhood through a classical as well as biblical lens, true manhood is discovered.

“The Fellowship of the Saints: A Meal to Bring them Together” *by Rebecca Shirley*

Feasts should play an important role in Christian fellowship. Fellowship is essential for the Christian life. What is the best way to fellowship with others?

Session Three

ON NAVIGATING TECHNOLOGY WISELY

“The Fall of the Greatest Tool: How Exploitation and Commercialization is Destroying the Internet” *by Ben Effinger*

Commercialization and exploitation is destroying the Internet. From government and market control to cybercrime, how long until the Internet stops being a tool for us and starts being a tool used against us?

“The Enemy Within: How the Misuse of Big Tech is Destroying American Society” *by John Schild*

The misuse of Big Tech is destroying American society. Big Tech is omnipresent in American society. It is not a matter of when you use it, but a matter of when and how. Many people misuse this great tool, with devastating results now and in the future.



The thesis allows for the expression of winsome rhetoric, well-researched and persuasive writing, and argumentation that is clear and logical.

For the 12th grade, it is the culmination of the grammar, logic, and rhetoric stages and the capstone of their classical education.

