

Vision

Our goal is to glorify God by equipping students with the tools necessary for a lifetime of learning, and encouraging them to live and think within a Christian worldview grounded in the Old and New Testament Scriptures.

Mission Statement

Our mission is to support and enhance the efforts of home schooling families by providing classical and Christian tutorial services emphasizing the methodology of the trivium, the educational foundation of our Western culture.

"We should be consciously preparing the next generation for the new battles it will face."

Dr. Francis Schaeffer

*"The supreme end of education is expert discernment in all things;
the power to tell the good from the bad,
the genuine from the counterfeit,
and to prefer the good and the genuine to the bad
and the counterfeit."*

Charles Osgood

More Information

Rivendell classes meet at the Knox Presbyterian Church, 2595 Elmwood Avenue, Kenmore, NY on Mondays and Wednesdays from 8:25 am - 12:15 pm. There is a dress code.

The following classes are offered for Grades 3/4 and 5/6:
Bible, History, Literature, Latin, Writing

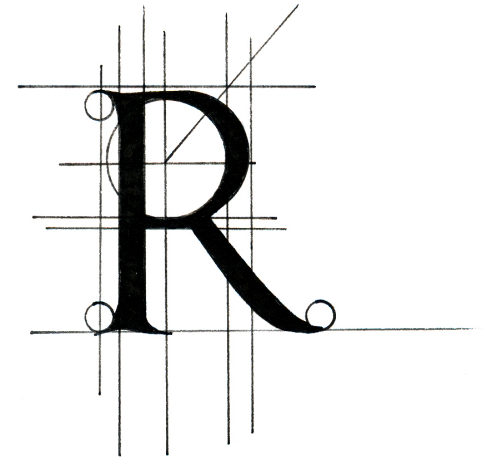
The following classes are offered for Grades 7-9:
Bible, History, Literature, Latin, Logic

The following classes are offered for Grades 10-12:
Bible, History, Literature, Rhetoric, Writing

Tuition is reasonable, and is payable in monthly installments over as many as ten months. Classes are also available on an a la carte basis once minimum enrollment is met.

Interested families may request an application form.

For more information, contact:
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or visit our web site at
www.rivendellstudycenter.com.



RIVENDELL

A CLASSICAL CHRISTIAN
STUDY CENTER

About Rivendell

Rivendell exists to provide classical and Christian tutorial services for home schooled students beginning in grade three. We stress literary excellence, sound reasoning and appreciation of the Biblical and Western tradition.

We exist to assist students in gaining a love for learning while developing critical reasoning and communication skills.

Partnership: Rivendell is a study center for home schooling families; it is not a school. Parents and tutors work together to create a climate where students are able to develop in faith, character, and knowledge.

Classical: Rivendell offers the Christian family a proven method for educating students to become confident and articulate thinkers, able to read perceptively, express themselves well, and understand the ideas and events that have shaped our culture.

Classical Education

The core of classical education is the trivium, an enduring teaching method that tailors the curriculum to a child's cognitive development. The trivium consists of three stages:

Grammar (Through grade 6)

Emphasizes concrete thinking, memorization and learning the basic facts or "grammar" of subjects.

Dialectic (Grades 7-9)

Trains students how to use the facts they have learned, develops analytical thinking and channels the natural desire of children at this age to engage in disputation.

Rhetoric (Grades 10-12)

Teaches students to think correctly and sharpens speech and writing skills. Information from the preceding stages are integrated with more advanced study.

Rivendell offers subjects that are particularly suitable for a classical and Christian education, including: Latin, logic, rhetoric, history, and literature of Western Civilization.

Benefits of a Study Center

- Children are taught by tutors who are passionate and knowledgeable about their subjects;
- Fosters a learning community, where parents are actively participating in their children's education;
- Parents direct the entire homeschool program while using the tutorial service to supplement their efforts;
- Parents are encouraged to participate in the classroom;
- Parents continue to enjoy time reading and studying subjects, but with less stress of preparing and teaching;
- Enables mothers to spend more time with younger children;
- Board and tutors work with curricula and methods to ensure a structured, integrated classical and Christian approach.