

# 2026 Fall Symposium Schedule

The Haworth Hotel and Conference Center  
Holland, MI

\*All times EST\*

Titles are tentative, and the schedule is subject to change

## Thursday – October, 22, 2026

4:30pm - 6:00pm      Registration Check-In

6:00 - 8:00              Buffet dinner with remarks

## Friday – October 23, 2026

8:00 - 8:15am          Welcome and remarks                      Ballroom

8:15 - 10:00          Session 1

### **Rethinking AP and Dual Enrollment in a Brave New World**

**Ballroom**

- Soren Schwab, Classical Learning Test
- Milton Matter, Classical Learning Test
- Sarah Novlan, Classical Learning Test
- Chris Anadale, Mount St. Mary's University
- Rudy Hernandez, University of Missouri

### **Education and Christian Faith: Modern and Postmodern Controversies    Rm 104**

- “John Dewey and the Modernist Turn in Education”
  - Dennis Durst, Kentucky Christian University
- “C. S. Lewis on Moral Education”
  - Charlie Starr, Great Lakes Christian College
- “Silence and Scripture: Two Disciplines for Cultivating Holy Attention in a Distracted Age”
  - Nathan Babcock, Buchanan Christian Church"

10-10:30 Break

10:30 - 11:45 Session 2 – Plenary Ballroom

**Higher Education in America: It's Worse than You Think**

\*Sponsored by the Heritage Foundation

- Jonathan Butcher, The Heritage Foundation
- Madison Marino Doan, The Heritage Foundation
- Adam Kissel, The Heritage Foundation
- Andrew Gillen, The Cato Institute

11:45-12:00pm ` Break

12:00 - 2:00 Catered buffet Lunch and break

2:00 - 3:15 Session 3

**Paideia in Place**

**Ballroom**

- "The Pedagogy of Symposia"
  - Ron Jung, Christian Halls International
- "Practicing Paideia in Place"
  - Nick Ellis, Christian Halls International
- [Respondent, TBA]

**Recovering the Vocation of Higher Education**

**Rm 104**

- Dylan Pahman, Acton Institute; St. Nicholas Cabasilas Institute
- John C. Pinheiro, Acton Institute
- Anthony Bradley, Acton Institute; Kuyper College

3:15 - 3:45 Break

3:45 - 5:00

## Session 4

### **Read, Gather, Worship: A Curative Conversation with Student Scholars**

**Ballroom**

- Sarah M Estelle, Hope College
- Shane Johnson, Hope College
- Lucinda James, Hope College
- Walter Plymale, Hope College

### ***The Idea of the University* and Liberal Education in the 21st Century**

**Rm 104**

- Joshua Herring, Logres Institute
- Sean Hadley, Logres Institute
- Bryant Owens, Logres Institute

## **Saturday – October, 24, 2026**

9:00 - 10:15am

## Session 5

### **Hillsdale K-12: Restoration of Higher Education at the Roots**

**Ballroom**

\*Sponsored by Hillsdale College

- Dr. Kathleen O'Toole
- Dr. Eric Coykendall
- Mr. Michael Berndt
- Dr. John Peterson
- Mrs. Rebecca Lincoln

### **Learning in an Artificial Age**

**Rm 104**

- Asimov's Guide to Education
  - Neva Hernandez, Kolbe Academy
- The Republic of the Unlettered: AI, Reading, and Literacy in a Brave New World
  - Winston Brady, Thales Press
- The Bare Minimum: Recovering Intellectual Asceticism in the Writing Process
  - Venanzio Petrarolo, University of St Thomas (TX)

10:15 - 10:45 Break

10:45 - 12:00pm Closing Session 6 Ballroom

**The Church and Civic Renewal: Theological Education for the Sake of the World**

- [Waiting on the final title]
  - Stephen Presley, CRC
- [Waiting on the final title]
  - Zach Hedges, Cedarville University
- After the University: The Local Church as an Institution of Intellectual and Moral Formation
  - Tim Rosenberger, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit / The Ohio State University

12:00pm – 12:15pm Concluding Remarks