

## Parent Workshop Descriptions

## **Laying Down the Rails**

Wednesday, September 13, 2023 8:10-10:30

Note: The location for this workshop is the South Campus sanctuary and childcare will be provided.

"Train up a child in the way he should go; even when he is old he will not depart from it."

Proverbs 22:6

"We are what we repeatedly do. Excellence then is not an act, but a habit."

Aristotle

All parents of Enrichment I-Class 2 students and those who have younger children at home are strongly encouraged to attend this workshop. This year we are combining a number of individual workshops from previous years into one morning geared towards parents of young children. The goal of education is to teach children to think and act rightly. At Heritage, we want to partner with parents to instill godly habits in our children knowing that what someone does over and over ultimately develops into their character. Habit training at home is an expectation for all Heritage families and habits are more easily established when they are consistently enforced.

Heritage's view of the way children learn is influenced by the ideas of Charlotte Mason. Mason, an educator from mid-nineteenth-century England, pioneered teaching methods that took advantage of a child's natural curiosity and delight in discovery. Her ideas engaged a child's heart and imagination in the learning process. Our emphasis on narration, recitation, and picture studies in addition to our emphasis on habit training, nature studies, and living ideas reflects the Charlotte Mason influence at Heritage. We hope to nurture young people who have a genuine love of learning. Our veteran teachers who all do a beautiful job instilling joy in children will share their time-tested teaching methods in this workshop so that you, too, will find delight in supporting your children in these early years of learning!

All workshops will take place on Wednesdays at 8:10 a.m.-9:10 a.m. in the Chapel/Library on North Campus unless otherwise noted. Please feel free to arrive early for coffee. Parking is available in the North Campus parking lot and on South Campus if the North Campus lot is full.