

Ten Informational Minutes on Classical Lutheran Education

Minute #1 Introduction and Definition

The classical education movement is growing, because parents and teachers see the dire need for more effective teaching in our homes and schools.

What IS a classical education? In our 10-part mini-series, we explore this question with the acrostic CLASSICAL, one letter at a time.

For now, here is a working definition:

A classical education is a formative education designed to incline the child from his earliest days toward that which is good, true, and beautiful. This education is rooted in the liberal arts and sciences. A Lutheran classical education is bathed in Christian catechesis – the teaching of the faith at all levels – that the child will know one Lord, one faith, one baptism. To learn more visit the Consortium for Classical Lutheran Education, ccle.org.

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