

# HigherConference 2009

“Don’t act thoughtlessly, but try to find out and do whatever the Lord wants you to.” Ephesians 5:17 TLB

## “Try a New Approach to College”

High school juniors, seniors, and college students are invited to consider their college experience in a new integrated way. Students will learn how to achieve success, maintain balance, and fulfill their God-given destiny by addressing the academic, spiritual, relational, and financial facets of college. Students will worship with RFB ([www.ryanfitzband.com](http://www.ryanfitzband.com)) and participate in rotating sessions with an academic counselor, career counselor, professor, and financial advisor. Don’t miss this unique opportunity to prepare your students for college!

**Date:** Friday August 14th

**Time:** 7:00 pm - 10:00 pm

**Location:** Holiday Inn  
Ballroom, Springdale, AR

**Registration Fee:** \$10

Submit a Registration Form or contact Trevor Francis at [trevor@tryhigher.com](mailto:trevor@tryhigher.com) to register.

Great  
door prizes  
for College!

## Event Speakers

### “An Integrated Approach to College”



Trevor Francis, Ed.D., Academic Advisor

Trevor will speak to students about integrating all aspects of their college experience: spiritual, academic, relational, emotional, and physical. He will address how to shine for God in the details of life, how to get involved on campus and in the local church, and how to let God guide you through your college experience. Trevor counsels and teaches students at the University of Arkansas about preparing for college, charting an academic plan, and making wise choices. He is the Associate Director of the Fulbright College Advising Center and author of *Try Higher: The Call to Every College Student*.

### “Finding Your Unique Mission in College”



Angela Williams, Ed.D., Career Counselor

Angela will speak to students about their unique mission during college, not just after graduation. She will discuss ways to explore your options during college and discover your strengths and spiritual gifts. Angela works with students, employers, and alumni at the University of Arkansas to provide career assessment, interview and resume preparation, and job and internship opportunities. She is the Associate Director of the Career Development Center.

### “Academic Success in College”



Kristopher Copeland, M.A., Professor

Kristopher will discuss with students strategies for college academic success. He will address learning versus grades, higher levels of learning, and successful communication methods. Kristopher is the Director of Speech and Debate and Instructor of Communication Studies at Northeastern State University in Tahlequah, Oklahoma. He graduated Summa Cum Laude as an undergraduate and maintained a 4.0 grade point average in graduate school.

### “Financial Freedom during College”



Mark Foster, M.S., Financial Educator

Mark will talk with students about successful money-managing tips while in college. He will address credit, credit card debt, and student spending. Mark is a Certified Consumer Credit Educator and the Director of Education for Credit Counseling of Arkansas, Inc. (CCOA). He works with students and families to provide financial education, and was named “Outstanding Educator of the Year” in 2007 by the National Foundation of Credit counseling. He is also a graduate of John Brown University. Information concerning student loans and financial aid opportunities during college will be offered at our “Student Resource Table.”



## Worship with RFB

Worship at Higher Conference 2009 will be led by the Ryan Fitz Band. The Ryan Fitz Band is the house band leading contemporary worship at The Kirk of the Hills in Tulsa, Oklahoma. Ryan, Josh, Derek, and Andrew are all current college students or recent college graduates.

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## Welcome & Opening Prayer with Rick Schaeffer

Rick Schaeffer, former Sports Information Director for the University of Arkansas, will open the conference with prayer and a short word of encouragement to college-bound and current college students. Rick is a Razorback sports broadcaster, columnist, and author of *The Game of My Life* and *Inside the Razorback Vault*, a history of University of Arkansas Football. He and his wife, Adelaide, also founded Champions for Kids, a support and training organization for youth-oriented non-profits.



Higher Conference 2009 is hosted by Higher International, a Christian leadership team dedicated to working with students, parents, faculty, and staff to promote servant leadership, moral integrity, and practical spirituality on college campuses for the purpose of calling a generation of students higher. For more information about the initiatives and work of Higher Intl, visit [tryhigher.com](http://tryhigher.com).