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## 2013 NJCL CONVENTION AT UNLV

Dear fellow TSJCLers,

In late July of this this past summer TSCJL members numbering in the hundreds journeyed to the University of Nevada, Las Vegas (UNLV) to be part of the 60th annual National Junior Classical League Convention. This year the Texas delegation alone contributed well over 200 students, sponsors, and chaperones to the Convention. Whether it meant attending art viewings, playing ludi sports, going to one of the dances, attending lectures, watching That's Entertainment!, or even just browsing the Bazaar, there was certainly always something fun to do. One TSJCLer Sam Robinson is on record as stating that the 2013 Convention was "like a really rad week-long camping trip with all my bros [sic]". All of this in combination with an early chance to experience living on a college campus provided all those in attendance with a splendidly busy week in Las Vegas.



One of the most anticipated events of the whole Convention every year is the talent show, That's Entertainment!, which this year saw 5 of the 11 acts being performed by TSJCLers, proving just how much talent there is in the Texas delegation. In fact, two Texas acts placed in the top three, being Emily Jones and her partner from Indiana, Michael Keller, who received 3rd place for their percussion arrangement, and violinist Ben Chilton and vocalist Young Jang, who won first place for their sensual musical performance.

Three teams represented Texas in Certamen at the Convention, one in each level. The Novice and Advanced teams of Texas made it as far as the semi-final rounds, placing 7th and 8th in the nation, respectively. However, the Texas Intermediate team succeeded in making the finals, impressively placing 2nd in the nation.

As for the other awards bestowed on Texas students, it goes without saying that the TSJCL excelled in every area, whether it was Latin Grammar, Classical Mythology, Graphic Arts, various Ludi sports, or any other event offered at the Convention. Also, congratulations are in order for Trace Turner being elected to the 2013-2014 TXSCL Parliamentarian and NSCL Editor positions, as well as TSJCL state chair William Lee being elected to the position of National Certamen Coordinator. Also, it is worth noting that in this past year Texas grew in membership more than any other state.

Here's hoping another great year for TSJCL and NJCL!



Semper,  
Ian Knight  
2013-2014 TSJCL Editor

**TSJCL STATE CHAIR WILLIAM LEE ELECTED NATIONAL CERTAMEN COORDINATOR****Q&A With Texas State Chair and National Chair William Lee:**

1) Q: Why did you run for NJCL Certamen Coordinator?

A: Certamen is certainly important to me. In a way it allows me to get back to my roots as well as see kids doing what they love and experiencing the Classics.

2) Q: What do you plan on changing/improving?

A: I don't have any major changes planned as of now, but I would really like to use my position to encourage more participation in certamen.

3) Q: Do you think your position will be difficult to manage?

A: Hard to tell! The Certamen Coordinator chair is very specific in its job, but at the same time quite tedious. I will certainly do my best.

4) Q: Do you have any role models or sources of inspiration for your position?

A: Definitely Susan Shearer. She was the first person to bring certamen to the national scene, and it would be wonderful to be able to spread the contest as prominently as she did.



Above: 2013-2014 NJCL Certamen Coordinator William Lee pictured with Susan Shearer, VA sponsor notable for first bringing certamen to the national scene.

**A LOOK AT THE 2013 TEXAS ADVANCED CERTAMEN TEAM**

The Texas Advanced Level Certamen Team at the 2013 NJCL Convention (left to right): Alyyah Malick, Vinay Gajula, Anna Huang, Savannah Ezelle, and George Davies.

The 2013 Texas Advanced Level Certamen team consists of five students from St. John's School in Houston, Texas, having been chosen to represent their state at the 2013 NJCL Convention due to their excellent performance at the 2013 TSJCL Convention. When asked about the experience, captain of the team Savannah Ezelle stated the following: "I think Fate certainly smiled upon me, as JCL has given me some of my favorite memories and proudest moments. I still talk to my teammates often and I'm looking forward to "chaperoning" them at competition. I'm thankful for my team, my teachers, all the friends its given me since 6th grade, and the great honor of representing Texas."

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Salvete TSJCL,

Has everyone recovered from their post-convention depression? This former National Officer still hasn't. I feel I have come so far since my first year in JCL back in 2008 as a seventh grader. I was so terrified of being in such a large crowd, but soon I fell head over heels in love with JCL and everything that bore its name. Those three little letters soon came to embody most everything I did and what my main focus was. I still cannot believe that was six conventions ago.

And I still cannot believe that I served this past year on the national board! I mean I would have never dreamed to be on that GA stage much less be in charge of the whole convention. Serving this past year has been such an amazing experience in many ways. First, it showed me how to run a convention for 1,200 Latin students with ease and grace. Second, it showed me that when given the right tools and the opportunity, seven high school students can do amazing things. There is no other experience out there that parallels the JCL, and I'm so thankful for that.

Now I guess I have reached the point in this Voice where I start thanking all those who have shaped my JCL experience. First I would like to thank my mentor, Caitlin Johnston for encouraging me to be weird, helping me develop my journalistic skills, fixing all my tiny errors in the Torch: U.S. over this past year, and for being a great friend. Next I want to thank Ms. Luongo who has been so supportive of me not just in JCL but in Latin class and school and in college applications. You have been so quintessential in my life and I thank you. I also want to thank my other Latin teachers Ms. Dill, Mr. Michaud, and Mr. Rist for being friends whom I can rely on for just about anything. I definitely want to thank Kurt Ristroph for being there whenever I needed him and also for being a good friend and colleague. Most importantly I want to thank my fellow six officers for the past year. Y'all have been wonderful to work with and I'm going to miss y'all so much. I never thought I could grow so close to six people while only having met them four times in person. And, of course, the TSJCL for nurturing me into a strong and proud JCLer. Thank you for all our wonderful memories together!

As you can probably tell, friendship is quite important to me, but it is also as important to the JCL as a whole; it's what keeps us together and it's what keeps us coming back. The bonds forged at convention are stronger than anything.

As I look back over this past year and over the other past five years I am filled with nostalgia for the "old" days of my JCL experience thus far. But it also excited me for the adventures that lie in wait in the future. I will treasure the memories we have all made together but I am just as excited for the future of NJCL and I hope I don't miss a second. Have a good year TSJCL and I will see you all at State Convention in April!

P.S. Go Team Editor!



Semper,

Trace Turner

NJCL Editor 2012-2013

TXSCL Parliamentarian 2013-2014

NSCL Editor 2013-2014

## **2014 STATE CONVENTION CONTEST RULE CHANGES**

The 2014 Texas State Convention this year will be held at Westwood High School in Austin, Texas. The following rule changes will apply to the given contests:

### **Costumes**

New Characters —

Boys: Helios

Girls: Eos

Couples: Selene and Endymion

### **English Oratory**

The following quote will be the subject matter of the speaker's speech:

“ingenium res adversae nudare solent, celare secundae.”

“Adversity has the effect of eliciting talents which in prosperous circumstances would have lain dormant.”

— Horace, *Satires*, Book II, Satire 8, Lines 73-73

### **Essay**

The essay topic will be as follows:

The year is 45 BCE. Julius Caesar has returned to Rome thinking he has successfully conquered Gaul. Little does he know that the mystical Druids of the Gallic people have reanimated the previously dead Celtic warriors, who have organized an army to march on Rome. How will this battle between the undead Gallic soldiers and the Romans play out? Will Rome fall to the zombie-warriors or will Caesar reign supreme?

### **Research Paper**

The research paper topic will be as follows:

Describe the famed warfare strategies of the Romans and/or Greeks, and discuss how they have influenced and paralleled modern tactics.

### **State T-Shirt Design**

The topic of the T-shirt design will be the same as the 2014 convention theme, which will be as follows:

“omnium rerum principia parva sunt.”

“The beginnings of all things are small.”

— Cicero, *De Finibus Bonorum et Malorum*



*Texas State Junior Classical League Torch***State Awards****Texas**

Certamen: Novice Level 7th

Certamen: Intermediate Level 2nd

Certamen: Advanced Level 8th

Graphic Arts T-Shirt: Best Use of Theme 4th

Other Roll Call - Large States 2nd

Spirit - Large State 3rd

**Texas - Amarillo High School****Individual Awards****Turner, Natalie**

Graphic Arts Chalk/Pastel 10-12 6th

**Turner, Valerie**

Graphic Arts Watercolor 7-9 1st 10 pts.

Acrylic/Oil 7-9 8th

**Texas - Antonian College Prep****Individual Awards****Jackson, Andrew**

Academics Roman History III 1st 10 pts.

Ancient Geography III 2nd 8 pts.

Latin Literature III 5th 2 pts.

Roman Life III 7th

Certamen Open Certamen: Advanced 1st

**Texas - Atascocita High School****Individual Awards****Castleman, Sean**

Graphic Arts Computer Photo 10 2nd 8 pts.

Greeting Cards 7-10 3rd 6 pts.

Traditional Photo 10 4th 4 pts.

**Hamilton, Leilani**

Creative Arts Dramatic Interp. II Girls 5th 2 pts.

Graphic Arts Black Ink 10 1st 10 pts.

Small Models 10-12 1st 10 pts.

Games 10-12 3rd 6 pts.

Mixed Media 10 3rd 6 pts.

Colored Ink 4th 4 pts.

Greeting Cards 7-10 7th

Impromptu Art 10 10th

Olympika High Jump Sr. Girls 4th 4 pts.

Long Jump Sr. Girls 4th 4 pts.

Shot Put Sr. Girls 4th 4 pts.

Discus Sr. Girls 5th 2 pts.

OVERALL Graphic Arts 10th

**Jennings, Miranda**

Creative Arts Costume Sr. Girls 2nd 8 pts.

Graphic Arts Traditional Scrapbook State 9th

**Kerr, Matthew**

Graphic Arts Traditional Photo 11 7th

**Knight, Ian**

Creative Arts Essay - 11th Grade Boys 2nd 8 pts.

Graphic Arts Posters 10-12 3rd 6 pts.

**Pilkenton, Jordan**

Graphic Arts Large Models 7-9 1st 10 pts.

**Webb, Rachel**

Graphic Arts Traditional Scrapbook Small 2nd 8 pts.

**Texas - Brandeis High School****Individual Awards****He, Ruiqi**

Academics Greek Derivatives II 3rd 6 pts.

Creative Arts Latin Oratory - Level II 1st 10 pts.

Dramatic Interp. II Girls 2nd 8 pts.

English Oratory - Grade 10 2nd 8 pts.

Essay - 10th Grade Girls 2nd 8 pts.

OVERALL Creative Arts 2nd

**Texas - Churchill High School****Individual Awards****Casieb, Nicholas**

Academics Ancient Geography I 8th

**Texas - Douglas MacArthur High School****Individual Awards**

*Texas State Junior Classical League Torch***Adams, Nelson**

Certamen Open Certamen: Novice 3rd  
 Olympika 100-yard Medley Sr. Boys 1st 10 pts.  
 200-yard Freestyle Sr. Boys 1st 10 pts.  
 100-yard Freestyle Sr. Boys 2nd 8 pts.  
 50-yard Butterfly Sr. Boys 2nd 8 pts.  
 50-yard Freestyle Sr. Boys 3rd 6 pts.  
 OVERALL Olympika 9th

**Texas - Flower Mound High School****Individual Awards****Bang, Luke**

Creative Arts Sight Latin Poetry Boys 5th 2 pts.

**Narayanan, Divya**

Academics Greek Life and Literature V+ 7th  
 Graphic Arts Impromptu Art 12 5th 2 pts.

**Texas - Grace Academy****Individual Awards****Privitt, Madeline**

Creative Arts Costume Jr. Girls 1st 10 pts.  
 Latin Oratory - Levels 1/2 & I 6th  
 Graphic Arts Colored Pencil 7-9 2nd 8 pts.  
 Traditional Photo 7-9 3rd 6 pts.  
 Olympika 200 Meter Jr. Girls Track 6th  
 OVERALL Creative Arts 10th

**Texas - Greenhill Middle School****Individual Awards****Agrawal, Priya**

Creative Arts Dramatic Interp. 1/2 & I Girls 7th

**Amer, Areeba**

Academics Latin Derivatives 1/2 2nd 8 pts.  
 Latin Grammar 1/2 and 1 1/2 3rd 6 pts.  
 Mottoes 1/2 3rd 6 pts.  
 Reading Comprehension 1/2 & 1 1/2 7th  
 Latin Vocabulary 1/2 9th  
 Creative Arts English Oratory - Lower 3rd 6 pts.  
 Essay - 7-8th Grade Girls 7th  
 Latin Oratory - Levels 1/2 & I 8th

**McGuire, Erin**

Academics Latin Grammar 1/2 and 1 1/2 4th 4 pts.  
 Reading Comprehension 1/2 & 1 1/2 5th 2 pts.  
 Latin Vocabulary 1/2 6th  
 Mythology 1/2 8th  
 Creative Arts Dramatic Interp. 1/2 & I Girls 3rd 6 pts.  
 Essay - 7-8th Grade Girls 5th 2 pts.

**Rao, Nikhil**

Academics Mottoes I 4th 4 pts.

**Texas - Greenhill Upper School****Individual Awards****Estrada, Justin**

Olympika 100 Meter Jr. Boys Track 1st 10 pts.  
 200 Meter Jr. Boys Track 1st 10 pts.  
 400 Meter Jr. Boys Track 1st 10 pts.

**Grishin, Peter**

Academics Reading Comprehension: Poetry IV 3rd 6 pts.

Academic Heptathlon IV 4th 4 pts.

Greek Derivatives IV 4th 4 pts.

Latin Derivatives IV 4th 4 pts.

Classical Greek IV 6th

Reading Comprehension: Prose IV 6th

Latin Grammar - Advanced IV 10th

Latin Vocabulary IV 10th

Creative Arts Sight Latin Prose Boys 2nd 8 pts.

**Marshall, Megan**

Creative Arts Dramatic Interp. II Girls 4th 4 pts.

**Menon, Remya**

Creative Arts Sight Latin Prose Girls 3rd 6 pts.

Latin Oratory - Level III 6th

**Neustadt, Hannah**

Creative Arts Costume Sr. Girls 1st 10 pts.

Graphic Arts Impromptu Art 12 4th 4 pts.

OVERALL Creative Arts 10th

**Prabhakar, Tamara**

Academics Mottoes III 2nd 8 pts.

**Tebbetts, Kas**

Academics Greek Life and Literature II 9th

Creative Arts English Oratory - Lower 2nd 8 pts.

Dramatic Interp. II Girls 3rd 6 pts.

Essay - 9th Grade Girls 5th 2 pts.

Graphic Arts Impromptu Art 7-9 6th

OVERALL Creative Arts 7th

**Zhou, Vicky**

Academics Mottoes IV 1st 10 pts.

Greek Derivatives IV 2nd 8 pts.

**Texas - Health Careers High School****Individual Awards****Cenoz, Isaac**

Creative Arts Latin Oratory - Level III 1st 10 pts.

Dramatic Interp. Poetry Boys 2nd 8 pts.

OVERALL Creative Arts 6th

**Enciso, Vanessa**

Academics Roman Life II 5th 2 pts.

**Kapadia, Paarth**

Academics Greek Life and Literature III High Score  
 1st 10 pts.

Hellenic History III High Score 1st 10 pts.

*Texas State Junior Classical League Torch***Killborn, Kathryn**

Creative Arts Dramatic Interp. 1/2 & I Girls 1st 10 pts.

Latin Oratory - Levels 1/2 & I 2nd 8 pts.

OVERALL Creative Arts 6th

**Mancha, Kaitlyn**

Academics Mottoes III 8th

Creative Arts Dramatic Interp. Poetry Girls 3rd 6 pts.

Sight Latin Poetry Girls 6th

Graphic Arts Impromptu Art 11 2nd 8 pts.

**Moreno, Alma**

Creative Arts Sight Latin Poetry Girls 3rd 6 pts.

**Noorily, Daniel**

Creative Arts Dramatic Interp. II Boys 1st 10 pts.

Sight Latin - Level II Boys 2nd 8 pts.

Graphic Arts Impromptu Art 10 4th 4 pts.

OVERALL Creative Arts 6th

**Ram, Bharath**

Creative Arts Latin Oratory - Level II 2nd 8 pts.

Sight Latin - Level II Boys 4th 4 pts.

**Tu, Oscar**

Academics Ancient Geography III 3rd 6 pts.

Greek Derivatives III 9th

Creative Arts English Oratory - Upper 5th 2 pts.

Wu, Priscilla - 8 point(s) in 7 contest(s)

Academics Hellenic History II 2nd 8 pts.

Greek Life and Literature II 7th

**Yu, Kevin**

Academics Latin Derivatives III 2nd 8 pts.

Greek Derivatives III 5th 2 pts.

**Zoeller, Zoe**

Creative Arts Latin Oratory - Levels 1/2 & I 1st 10 pts.

Costume Jr. Girls 2nd 8 pts.

OVERALL Creative Arts 6th

**Texas - Hebron High School****Individual Awards****Ellerd, Rachel**

Creative Arts Slogan 4th 4 pts.

Graphic Arts Greeting Cards 11-12 1st 10 pts.

Acrylic/Oil 11-12 2nd 8 pts.

Black Ink 11 2nd 8 pts.

Cartoons 11-12 2nd 8 pts.

Maps: Drawn 2nd 8 pts.

Sculpture 10-12 2nd 8 pts.

Watercolor 11-12 3rd 6 pts.

Pottery 11-12 4th 4 pts.

Colored Ink 5th 2 pts.

Small Models 10-12 5th 2 pts.

Colored Pencil 11-12 6th

Illustrated Quotes 10-12 6th

Mixed Media 11-12 6th

OVERALL Graphic Arts 3rd

**Jang, Young**

Academics Latin Vocabulary IV 7th

Creative Arts Sight Latin Prose Boys 10th

**Jones, Emily**

Creative Arts English Oratory - Upper 2nd 8 pts.

Latin Oratory - Level IV+ 6th

Dramatic Interp. Poetry Girls 7th

**Murray, Colin**

Academics Classical Greek IV 9th

**Patel, Yash**

Academics Latin Vocabulary V+ 2nd 8 pts.

Latin Derivatives V+ 6th

Academic Heptathlon V+ 9th

**Robinson, Sam**

Graphic Arts Computer Photo 11-12 1st 10 pts.

Sculpture 10-12 1st 10 pts.

Black Ink 12 7th

**Thornton, Samantha**

Graphic Arts Traditional Photo 12 5th 2 pts.

Jewelry 10-12 10th

Olympika Marathon Sr. Girls 9th



**Tran, Jennifer**

Creative Arts Sight Latin Poetry Girls 7th  
 Graphic Arts Colored Pencil 11-12 5th 2 pts.  
 Dolls 10-12 7th

**Texas - Heritage School****Individual Awards****Klepac, Harleigh**

Creative Arts Latin Oratory - Levels 1/2 & I 5th 2 pts.

**Texas - Jesuit College Preparatory School****Individual Awards****Baughman, Alexander**

Creative Arts Essay - 12th Grade Boys 6th  
 Sight Latin Poetry Boys 7th  
 Olympika 200 Meter Sr. Boys Track 4th 4 pts.  
 400 Meter Sr. Boys Track 6th

**Hubbard, Jack**

Creative Arts Essay - 10th Grade Boys 9th  
 Mason, Jack - 6 point(s) in 7 contest(s)  
 Academics Hellenic History I 6th  
 Creative Arts Essay - 9th Grade Boys 10th  
 Olympika 200 Meter Jr. Boys Track 4th 4 pts.  
 400 Meter Jr. Boys Track 5th 2 pts.  
 Marathon Jr. Boys 6th

**Motter, Alexander**

Creative Arts Dramatic Interp. 1/2 & I Boys 4th 4 pts.  
 Sight Latin - Level I Boys 7th

**Narvaez, Mauricio**

Graphic Arts Black Ink 11 3rd 6 pts.  
 Black Pencil 11-12 4th 4 pts.

**Sauer, John**

Creative Arts Sight Latin - Level I Boys 10th  
 Graphic Arts Large Models 7-9 3rd 6 pts.  
 Olympika 400 Meter Jr. Boys Track 2nd 8 pts.  
 Marathon Jr. Boys 9th

**Schutze, Zachary**

Academics Ancient Geography II 3rd 6 pts.  
 Certamen Open Certamen: Intermediate 1st  
 Creative Arts Essay - 10th Grade Boys 1st 10 pts.  
 Dramatic Interp. II Boys 2nd 8 pts.  
 Graphic Arts Maps: Constructed 6th  
 Olympika Marathon Sr. Boys 2nd 8 pts.  
 OVERALL Creative Arts 6th

**Texas - Johnson High School****Individual Awards****Parker, Gabrielle**

Academics Latin Vocabulary IV 10th

**Texas - Lewisville High School****Individual Awards****King, Alexis**

Graphic Arts Posters 10-12 5th 2 pts.

**Texas - Marcus High School****Individual Awards****DeDecker, Paige**

Creative Arts Costume Sr. Couples 2nd 8 pts.

**Sparks, Emily**

Creative Arts Dramatic Interp. Poetry Girls 4th 4 pts.

**Sparks, Jack**

Creative Arts Costume Sr. Couples 2nd 8 pts.

**Texas - Paragon Preparatory****Individual Awards****Plowman, Cass**

Academics Mythology II 2nd 8 pts.  
 Roman History II 5th 2 pts.  
 Roman Life II 7th  
 Mottoes II 8th

**Ancient Geography II 9th**

Certamen: Intermediate Level 2nd 8 pts.

Creative Arts Essay - 7-8th Grade Boys 2nd 8 pts.

Graphic Arts Black Ink 7-9 4th 4 pts.

Computer Photo 7-9 6th

OVERALL Certamen 2nd

**Texas - Plano Senior High School****Individual Awards****Chang, Jeffrey**

Academics Reading Comprehension: Prose III 7th  
 Classical Art III 10th

**Zhang, Daniel**

Academics Classical Art IV 5th 2 pts.

Ancient Geography IV 8th

Creative Arts Essay - 12th Grade Boys 8th



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Creative Arts Dramatic Interp. II Girls 1st 10 pts.

**Harun, Shaneal**

Academics Reading Comprehension: Level 2 II 4th 4 pts.

Latin Vocabulary II 8th

Latin Grammar - Level 2 II 10th

**Kara, Shaya**

Creative Arts Latin Oratory - Level IV+ 5th 2 pts.

**Lin, Ching-Shiuan**

Academics Latin Literature II 3rd 6 pts.

**Mann, David**

Academics Latin Derivatives I 10th

**Tran, Ashley**

Academics Mythology II 4th 4 pts.

Mottoes II 6th

**Wadhwanja, Jamil**

Academics Greek Derivatives II 5th 2 pts.

Texas - Roosevelt High School

Individual Awards

**Khan, Jeff-Jaret**

Creative Arts Sight Latin - Level II Boys 3rd 6 pts.

Dramatic Interp. II Boys 4th 4 pts.

OVERALL Creative Arts 10th

**Texas - St. Andrew's Episcopal Middle School****Individual Awards****McKinnerney, William**

Graphic Arts Multimedia 7-9 6th

**McNearney, Nolan**

Creative Arts Sight Latin - Level I Boys 8th

**Nezzer, Rachel**

Academics Latin Literature I 9th

Creative Arts Sight Latin - Level I Girls 10th

**Salinas, Katherine**

Academics Classical Greek I 10th

Graphic Arts Traditional Photo 7-9 7th

**Schmidt, Walton**

Creative Arts Sight Latin - Level I Boys 1st 10 pts.

Graphic Arts Mosaics 7-9 4th 4 pts.

OVERALL Creative Arts 10th

**Texas - St. Andrew's Episcopal School****Individual Awards****Blake, Connor**

Creative Arts Sight Latin Poetry Boys 8th

Olympika 400 Meter Sr. Boys Track 7th

**Brimble, Noelle**

Creative Arts Costume Sr. Girls 3rd 6 pts.

English Oratory - Grade 10 3rd 6 pts.

Dramatic Interp. Poetry Girls 8th

OVERALL Creative Arts 9th

**Dennis, Charles**

Academics Classical Art V+ 6th

Creative Arts Dramatic Interp. Poetry Boys 3rd 6 pts.

**Deskins, Andrew**

Academics Classical Art II 1st 10 pts.

Mottoes II 10th

Certamen Open Certamen: Intermediate 2nd

Creative Arts Essay - 10th Grade Boys 10th

Graphic Arts Traditional Photo 10 8th

**Eakman, Nathaniel**

Academics Classical Art III 6th

Greek Derivatives III 7th

Creative Arts Modern Myth - Upper Division 3rd 6 pts.

Graphic Arts Cartoons 11-12 4th 4 pts.

**Gaudin, Henry**

Olympika 50-yd Breaststroke Jr. Boys 1st 10 pts.

**Hindera, Olivia**

Academics Mottoes IV 6th

**Hogan, Tom**

Creative Arts Essay - 9th Grade Boys 6th

Graphic Arts Black Ink 7-9 9th

**Sager, Mariah**

Academics Latin Derivatives V+ 4th 4 pts.

Greek Derivatives V+ 7th

Classical Art V+ 8th

Latin Vocabulary V+ 8th

Graphic Arts Digital Scrapbooks 3rd 6 pts.

**Smith, William**

Academics Mottoes V+ 3rd 6 pts.



Classical Art V+ 9th

Creative Arts Essay - 12th Grade Boys 10th

**Turner, Trace**

Academics Classical Art V+ 4th 4 pts.

Graphic Arts Traditional Photo 12 1st 10 pts.

Computer Photo 11-12 3rd 6 pts.

Graphic Arts Illustrated Quotes 10-12 10th

**Weiss, Ariana**

Academics Classical Art II 3rd 6 pts.

**Wiedenmeier, Wesley**

Academics Reading Comprehension: Level 2 II 10th

Creative Arts Essay - 10th Grade Boys 8th

**Wilson, Marshall**

Academics Latin Derivatives I 8th

Creative Arts Essay - 12th Grade Boys 9th

Graphic Arts Impromptu Art 12 6th

**Texas - St. John's School**

**Individual Awards**

**Davies, George**

Academics Ancient Geography IV 5th 2 pts.

Hellenic History IV 5th 2 pts.

Roman History IV 10th

Certamen Certamen: Advanced Level 8th

Graphic Arts Maps: Constructed 3rd 6 pts.

**Ezelle, Savannah**

Academics Classical Greek IV 3rd

Latin Literature IV 7th

Hellenic History IV 8th

Greek Life and Literature IV 9th

Certamen: Advanced Level 8th

**Gajula, Vinay**

Academics Latin Derivatives III 3rd 6 pts.

Latin Grammar - Advanced III 3rd 6 pts.

Reading Comprehension: Prose III 5th 2 pts.

Reading Comprehension: Poetry III 6th

Academic Heptathlon III 8th

Certamen: Advanced Level 8th

**Huang, Anna**

Academics Mythology IV 3rd 6 pts.

Greek Derivatives IV 10th

Certamen Certamen: Advanced Level 8th

Graphic Arts Computer Photo 11-12 10th

**Malick, Alyyah**

Academics Latin Grammar - Advanced IV 6th

Reading Comprehension: Prose IV 6th

Academic Heptathlon IV 8th

Reading Comprehension: Poetry IV 8th

**Texas - St. Luke's Episcopal School**



**Individual Awards**

**Atherton, Hunter**

Creative Arts Sight Latin - Level I Girls 5th 2 pts.

**Texas - St. Mary's Hall**

**Individual Awards**

**Cusenbary, Rex**

Creative Arts Latin Oratory - Level II 10th

**Eddy, Elizabeth**

Academics Hellenic History II 5th 2 pts.

Creative Arts Essay - 9th Grade Girls 6th

**Leflore III, Byron**

Academics Ancient Geography 1/2 1st 10 pts.

Classical Art 1/2 1st 10 pts.

Hellenic History 1/2 1st 10 pts.

Mythology 1/2 1st 10 pts.

Roman History 1/2 2nd 8 pts.

Certamen: Novice Level 7th

**Patterson, Michael**

Creative Arts Dramatic Interp. II Boys 1st 10 pts.

Essay - 9th Grade Boys 4th 4 pts.

Sight Latin - Level II Boys 10th

OVERALL Creative Arts 8th

**Seeligson, Lillian**

Academics Reading Comprehension 1/2 & 1 I 3rd 6 pts.

Classical Art I 4th 4 pts.

Roman Life I 4th 4 pts.

Latin Grammar 1/2 and 1 I 6th

Latin Vocabulary I 7th

Greek Life and Literature I 9th

Creative Arts Essay - 7-8th Grade Girls 2nd 8 pts.

Dramatic Interp. 1/2 & I Girls 9th

**Vaughan, Rachel**

Academics Greek Life and Literature II 6th

Mythology II 8th

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Hellenic History II 10th

Creative Arts Essay - 9th Grade Girls 9th

Graphic Arts Impromptu Art 7-9 1st 10 pts.

**Texas - Tom C. Clark High School**

**Individual Awards**

**Alvarado, Satchel**

Creative Arts Latin Oratory - Level IV+ 8th

**Bowman, Sydney**

Creative Arts Dramatic Interp. Poetry Girls 9th

**Butcher, Isaiah**

Academics Mottoes II 2nd 8 pts.

Certamen Open Certamen: Intermediate 3rd

Creative Arts Sight Latin - Level II Boys 8th

**Cardenas, Jeanne**

Academics Reading Comprehension 1/2 & 1 I 10th

**Choy, Kevin**

Academics Roman History II High Score 1st 10 pts.

Ancient Geography II 2nd 8 pts.

Roman Life II 3rd 6 pts.

Certamen: Intermediate Level 2nd 8 pts.

OVERALL Certamen 2nd

**Davidson, Dylan**

Academics Latin Derivatives IV 2nd 8 pts.

Classical Art IV 7th

Mottoes IV 8th

Reading Comprehension: Poetry IV 8th

Academic Heptathlon IV 9th

Reading Comprehension: Prose IV 9th

Roman Life IV 9th

Greek Life and Literature IV 10th

**Davidson, Jack**

Academics Latin Literature I 8th

Classical Art I 9th

Latin Derivatives I 9th

Certamen: Novice Level 7th

**Falcon, Mallorie**

Academics Hellenic History IV 3rd 6 pts.

Latin Literature IV 9th

Creative Arts Essay - 12th Grade Girls 8th

**Fuentes, David**

Academics Mythology IV 4th 4 pts.

**Green, Sophia**

Creative Arts Dramatic Interp. 1/2 & I Girls 2nd 8 pts.

Sight Latin - Level I Girls 3rd 6 pts.

OVERALL Creative Arts 8th

**Haines, Corey**

Academics Latin Derivatives II High Score 1st 10 pts.

Latin Vocabulary II 7th

Reading Comprehension: Level 2 II 7th

Mottoes II 10th

Certamen: Intermediate Level 2nd 8 pts.

OVERALL Certamen 2nd

**Heintzelman, Pierce**

Academics Classical Art I 9th

Certamen: Novice Level 7th

**Hildebrand, Pamela**

Academics Greek Derivatives III 6th

Creative Arts Sight Latin Prose Girls 4th 4 pts.

**Lorenz, Colby**

Academics Classical Art I 3rd 6 pts.

Roman Life I 4th 4 pts.

Academic Heptathlon I 5th 2 pts.

Classical Greek I 5th

Reading Comprehension 1/2 & 1 I 5th 2 pts.

Latin Derivatives I 6th

Mythology I 8th

Latin Grammar 1/2 and 1 I 9th

Latin Vocabulary I 9th

Certamen: Novice Level 7th

**Lozano, Rodrigo**

Academics Latin Vocabulary III 10th

**Mader, Luisa**

Academics Mythology III 4th 4 pts.

**Matecko, Hannah**

Academics Mottoes I 2nd 8 pts.

**Matecko, Holly**

Academics Ancient Geography IV 4th 4 pts.

**McCall, Evan**

Academics Roman History III 5th 2 pts.

**McKelvey, Brock**

Creative Arts Dramatic Interp. Poetry Boys 4th 4 pts.



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Olympika Marathon Sr. Boys 7th

**Ramanathan, Ashwin**

Academics Latin Literature IV 2nd 8 pts.

Academic Heptathlon IV 3rd 6 pts.

Latin Grammar - Advanced IV 3rd 6 pts.

Reading Comprehension: Prose IV 3rd 6 pts.

Roman History IV 3rd 6 pts.

Academic Decathlon 4th 4 pts.

Latin Derivatives IV 5th 2 pts.

Latin Vocabulary IV 5th 2 pts.

Mottoes IV 7th

**Riojas, Leonardo**

Academics Latin Literature I 10th

**Saldana, Joseph**

Academics Hellenic History I 3rd 6 pts.

**Scheffler, Samuel**

Academics Hellenic History II 1st 10 pts.

**Sensiba, Margaret**

Academics Greek Derivatives III 8th

**Soto, Alejandro**

Academics Latin Derivatives I 2nd 8 pts.

Latin Vocabulary I 3rd 6 pts.

Classical Art I 7th

Certamen Certamen: Novice Level 7th

**Todd, Christopher**

Academics Latin Literature II 1st 10 pts.

**Vacek, Valerie**

Academics Latin Literature III 3rd 6 pts.

**Valenciano, Caren**

Graphic Arts Posters 7-9 2nd 8 pts.

**Verma, Scia**

Academics Latin Literature I 6th

Mythology I 7th

Classical Art I 9th

**Zawatski, Hannah**

Academics Classical Art I 10th

Creative Arts Latin Oratory - Levels 1/2 & I 2nd 8 pts.

**Zhu, Zihao**

Academics Greek Derivatives II High Score 1st 10 pts.

Mottoes II High Score 1st 10 pts.

Roman Life II High Score 1st 10 pts.

Academic Heptathlon II 1st 10 pts.

Greek Life and Literature II 1st 10 pts.

Latin Vocabulary II 1st 10 pts.

Latin Derivatives II 2nd 8 pts.

Latin Grammar - Level 2 II 2nd 8 pts.

Reading Comprehension: Level 2 II 8th

Certamen: Intermediate Level 2nd 8 pts.

OVERALL Certamen 2nd

Academics 5th

**Texas - Van Alstyne High School****Individual Awards****Maloney, Moira**

Graphic Arts Small Models 10-12 6th

**Texas - Westlake High School****Individual Awards****Apfel, Isaiah**

Certamen Open Certamen: Advanced 2nd

Creative Arts Sight Latin Prose Boys 3rd 6 pts.

**Batthey, Christopher**

Academics Hellenic History II 7th

**Batthey, Elizabeth**

Academics Roman Life IV 1st 10 pts.

Mottoes IV 7th

**Berding, Alyssa**

Academics Latin Literature III 9th

Greek Derivatives III 10th

**Bryant, Laura**

Academics Academic Heptathlon III 10th

Mythology III 10th

Creative Arts Essay - 10th Grade Girls 8th

**Duncan, Winifred**

Academics Greek Life and Literature II 2nd 8 pts.

Classical Greek II 10th

Creative Arts Sight Latin - Level II Girls 3rd 6 pts.

**Kenkare, Saamiha**

Academics Classical Art III 6th

Creative Arts Essay - 10th Grade Girls 7th

**Kenkare, Saarila**

Academics Classical Art II 3rd 6 pts.

Certamen Open Certamen: Intermediate 3rd

Creative Arts Sight Latin - Level II Girls 4th 4 pts.



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Academics Ancient Geography V+ 4th 4 pts.  
 Creative Arts Essay - 12th Grade Boys 4th 4 pts.  
 Graphic Arts Maps: Drawn 7th  
 Olympika 200 Meter Sr. Boys Track 2nd 8 pts.

**Lam, Shravika**

Academics Mythology II 6th  
 Mottoes II 10th

**Larranaga, Bethany**

Creative Arts Sight Latin - Level I Girls 7th

**Lightsey, Suzanne**

Olympika 100 Meter Jr. Girls Track 1st 10 pts.  
 200 Meter Jr. Girls Track 1st 10 pts.  
 400 Meter Jr. Girls Track 1st 10 pts.  
 800 Meter Jr. Girls Track 1st 10 pts.  
 OVERALL Olympika 10th

**Nguyen, Tiffany**

Creative Arts Essay - 12th Grade Girls 10th

**Pflueger, Jeffrey**

Academics Ancient Geography IV 10th

**Praxis, Elekos**

Creative Arts Essay - 9th Grade Boys 3rd 6 pts.

**Smitherman, Owen**

Academics Latin Literature V+ 4th 4 pts.  
 Mythology V+ 5th 2 pts.  
 Roman History V+ 9th  
 Hellenic History V+ 10th  
 Latin Vocabulary V+ 10th

**Solankee, Jasmina**

Creative Arts Essay - 12th Grade Girls 4th 4 pts.  
 Graphic Arts Impromptu Art 12 2nd 8 pts.

**Taylor, Ashley**

Creative Arts Essay - 10th Grade Girls 10th

**Thomas, John**

Academics Reading Comprehension: Prose III 3rd 6 pts.

Latin Grammar - Advanced III 5th 2 pts.

Latin Vocabulary III 6th

Mottoes III 8th

Academic Heptathlon III 10th

Latin Derivatives III 10th

**Yeung, Tatiana**

Academics Hellenic History III 7th



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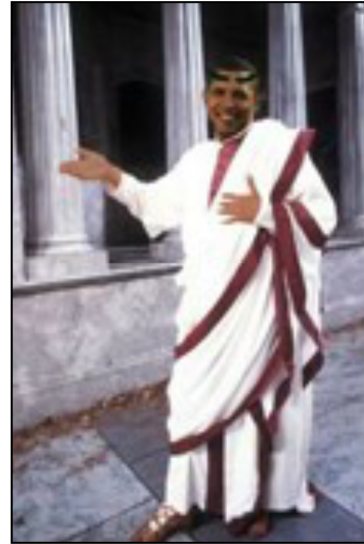
President Obama shocked the nation this past Wednesday when he announced an immediate change of the official language of the United States from American English to Classical Latin, the tongue of the ancient Roman civilization. This most recent executive decision by the President reflects his ongoing Romanization of the country with no end in sight. Obama has stated that he hopes his efforts will help to “preserve the U.S. as a permanent world superpower, a status longest maintained by the Roman Empire.” The President has even gone as far as changing his own wardrobe to reflect the traditional garb of the Classical Roman Patrician, so as to properly foster a stronger connection with “mighty Jupiter, King of the sky and all its holdings”.

However, Vice-President Joe Biden has urged the President to instead seek the favor of Minerva, Goddess of Wisdom and Tactic, so as to



improve the U.S. education system as well as promote among American citizens a better understanding of the implications of going to war with another country.

In response to the President's impetus, Congress has decided to vote soon on legislation proposing the installation of the Twelve Tables of the Roman Republic to serve as a replacement for the U.S. Constitution, which was unanimously declared by the benevolent elected representatives to be "too empowering to the lowly Plebs". Per usual, Congress then proceeded to maintain a complete stalemate in all other areas of legislation.



## TEXAS TEXTBOOKS CHANGED

In keeping with the Texas legislature's munificent educational improvements, a new state law has been passed that would replace all mentions of Classical Roman slaves with the label "really chill people who just helped out with chores and stuff sometimes". This reflects the dazzling historical knowledge and social awareness of Texas lawmakers, whose legislation in these past years has destroyed thousands of teachers' careers as well as students' trust in the education system.

Further proposals are being considered that would mandate textbooks to refer to the Gallic Wars as the "War of Celtic Aggression".

# In The News — Facts and Information



- ◆ Recent study proves that speaking Latin aloud provides magical powers to the speaker.
- ◆ Julius Caesar: hero to a nation or supervillain? A recent French poll indicates the latter.
- ◆ Romulus and Remus fight to the death over who gets the Player 1 controller.

- ◆ Oedipus announces a family reunion in Thebes; lives destroyed, city in ruins, deposit lost.

- ◆ Ancient Cynic Diogenes: was he on to something? A new study shows that a majority of modern high school students say yes.



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