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Saturday, October 22nd

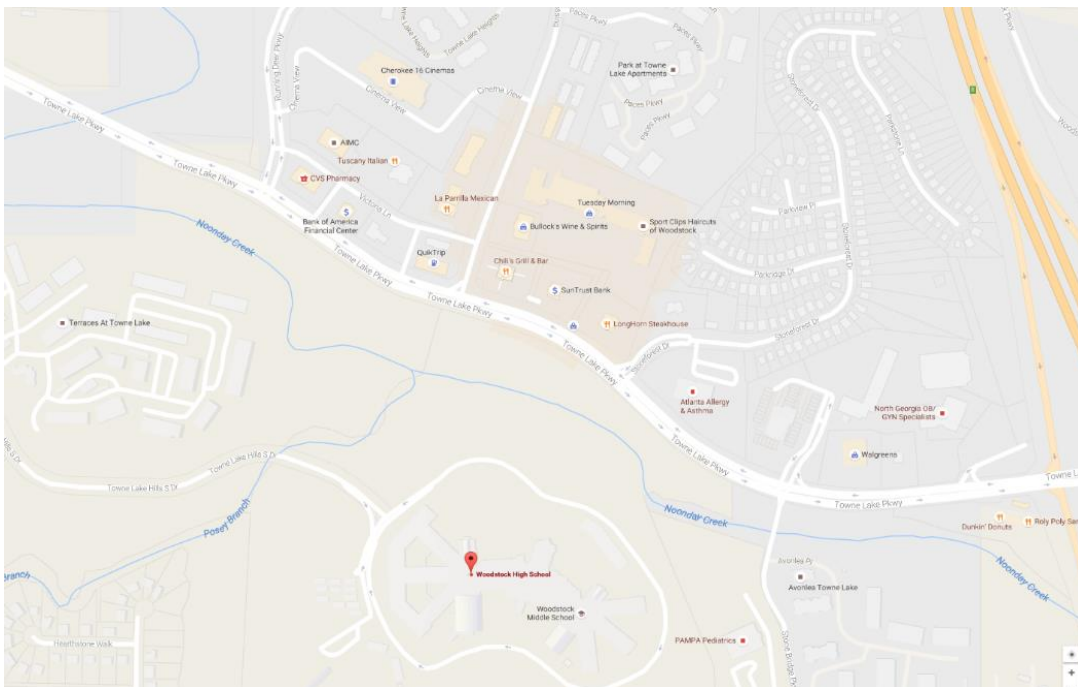
Woodstock High School

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General Information:

Fall Forum, the annual kick-off meeting of the Georgia Junior Classical League, will be held on Saturday, October 22th, 2016 at Woodstock High School in Woodstock, GA. This event is an opportunity to learn about the GJCL by participating with other students from across the state in a myriad of activities related to Latin and the Classics. In addition to introducing students to this co-curricular organization, Fall Forum raises money to fund three scholarships offered by the GJCL. Membership in the Georgia Junior Classical League is not required for Fall Forum participation.



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"Educating the Emerging Generation"

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Check In (8:25-8:55)				
General Assembly 1 (9:00-9:45)				
Pentathlon, AP Essay, CAMWS Translation, Latin Language Exam, Roman History and Culture Exam, Mythology Exam (10:00-11:30)	Tug-of-War (10:00-10:25)	Workshop Session I (10:00-10:45)	Host/Hostess Interviews & Speeches (10:00-11:30)	
	Volleyball (10:30-11:30)			
Certamen (12:00-2:15)	GCA Lunch & Meeting (11:30-1:00)	Workshop Session II (12:40-1:25)	Latin Sight Reading (12:15-2:15)	Lunch Block 1 (11:30-12:15)
	Ultimate Frisbee & Distance Relay (1:00-2:15)			Workshop Session III (1:30-2:15)
General Assembly 2 (2:20-3:15)				

Registration:

The early registration deadline is Friday, September 30th at 11:59 p.m., and the early bird cost per delegate is \$13.00. The normal registration deadline is Saturday, October 8th at 11:59 p.m., and the cost per delegate is \$15.00 during regular registration. Late registration ends Tuesday, October 18th at 11:59 p.m., and the cost during late registration is \$20.00 per delegate. No submissions will be accepted after October 18th. There is no fee for sponsors; however, chaperones will pay a flat rate of \$10 each (regardless of registration phase). No chaperone additions will be accepted after October 18th. The following link will take you to the registration form on the GJCL website. After registering, you will receive an invoice for the total cost of your school's participation in a follow-up email. All payments should be mailed to GJCL Treasurer, Rachel Ash, before October 18th. Any payments after October 18th should be brought to Fall Forum and remitted on the day of the event.

www.gjcl.org/fallforum.html

Guidelines for Sponsors and Chaperones:

1. Each delegation must be accompanied by a sponsor and an appropriate number of chaperones (one adult for every twelve students).
2. Prior to Fall Forum, sponsors should review with students the important contents of this document, highlighting the expectations of conduct and the activities available for students at the event.
3. The sponsor and one student delegate will check in the delegation upon arrival. The welcome packet will include a copy of the schedule, lunch bracelets, programs, and all other materials needed for the day's activities.
4. During the event, sponsors and chaperones should keep in contact with members of their delegation and monitor their behavior and participation.
5. Sponsors and chaperones should immediately report any suspicious/illegal activities or medical emergencies to any GJCL State Chair or to Ms. Mason, the sponsor of the Woodstock High School chapter of the GJCL.

Guidelines for Students:

1. Delegates will adhere to the code of conduct that applies within their respective schools.
2. No delegate may leave Fall Forum campus until the end of the scheduled program.
3. Delegates must be in possession of their own lunch bracelets until their designated lunch block, where these bracelets will be exchanged for their lunch box.
4. Attendance at the first and last General Assemblies is mandatory.
5. The use or possession of alcoholic beverages, tobacco, illegal drugs, weapons, or fireworks is strictly prohibited on the Blessed Trinity campus.
6. Delegates are discouraged from bringing valuables to the event, as there is no method for securing these items.
7. Delegates must stay within designated Fall Forum areas. Any unopened hallways must remain vacant.

8. Woodstock High School asks that each delegate treat the host facilities and property with respect. Damage to Woodstock property will require financial remuneration from responsible parties.

Pre-Event Contests

Banner Contest

The GJCL Secretary, Jasmin Gao of Northview, invites each delegation in attendance to showcase its artistic talent and school spirit by creating a banner to represent its school in the GJCL Spirit Showcase. These paper banners will be displayed for the Opening Convocation and should be created in accordance with the following guidelines:

- The size of each banner should be 3' x 5' with a vertical orientation (i.e., three feet in width and five feet in height)
- The school name should appear prominently on the banner. Please avoid abbreviations so that everyone knows whether XHS represents Xavier, Xylo High, St. Paul X, or some other school that uses X in its nomenclature.
- The banner should be classical in nature.
- Banners should be presented upon arrival.

Banners will be judged according to the following categories:

Adherence to guidelines 10 point

Artistic merit 10 points

Classical theme 10 points

Creativity 10 points

Overall impression 10 points

Illustrated Quotation Contest

The quotation will be illustrating the national theme: *omnis ars naturae imitatio est.* ~Seneca the Younger

(see the Creative Arts Contests)

Host or Hostess Contest

The Georgia Junior Classical League annually chooses ONE member who serves as its representative and becomes a voting member of the GJCL Executive Board. The responsibilities of this position include attending all of the GJCL Executive Board meetings, welcoming arriving delegations, hosting a reception at the GJCL State Convention in April, and other duties assigned by the GJCL President. The elected Host or Hostess is required to organize and run the 2016 Host/Hostess Contest at Fall Forum, and for this reason they may NOT be current seniors. Schools are limited to ONE candidate for the competition. An entry fee of \$10.00 per contestant is due upon registration. In this contest, students are required to deliver, *in a classical costume*, a memorized, three-minute (+/- 30 second) speech on the National Junior Classical League 2016-2017 theme:

“Omnis ars naturae imitatio est.”

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Seneca the Younger, *Epistulae Morales ad Lucilium* VII.lxv.3

Contestants will also sit before a panel of judges for an interview concerning their motivations for seeking this executive board position.

Contestants will be judged according to the following categories:

Speech (based on the categories below)	Interview (based on the categories below)
Memorization- 10 points Adherence to time guidelines- 10 points Incorporation of theme- 10 points Mechanics- 10 points Poise/Presentation- 10 points	Poise- 20 points Thoroughness of responses- 80 points Overall impression- 20 points
Total: 60 Points	Total: 120 Points

Academic Contests:

The schedule has been arranged accordingly so that Certamen participants do not miss the chance to participate in one or more academic tests. The four tests offered this year will be the Pentathlon Exam, a History and Culture Exam, a Mythology Exam, and a Latin Language Exam. The History and Culture Exam, Mythology Exam, and Latin Language Exam will be offered to students in levels I and II of Latin. The goal of these tests is to prepare GJCL students for the national tests that many schools participate in throughout the year. Students in the levels of Latin of III and greater are invited to also demonstrate their knowledge in the AP Essay and CAMWS Translation Exam under the Creative Arts category. Scoring will be announced at the second General Assembly.

Pentathlon

This is a 100-question, multiple choice Pentathlon examination, which tests Latin vocabulary, derivatives, grammar, history, mythology, and reading comprehension. The first place winner of this exam will be awarded the GJCL State Convention Scholarship, which covers the registration cost for Convention at Rock Eagle in April of this school year. This test is available to students in Latin III or above.

History & Culture Exam

This exam provides Latin I and II students the opportunity to demonstrate their skills in the areas of Roman History, Culture, and Daily Life. The exam will be composed of questions from previous National Latin Exams. Students are encouraged to use NLE questions from the last 30 years as study materials.

Mythology

This exam provides Latin I and II students the opportunity to demonstrate their skills in the area of Mythology for both the Roman and Greek civilizations. Exam questions will be drawn from previous National Latin Exams. Students are encouraged to use NLE questions from the last 30 years as study materials.

Latin Language

This exam provides Latin I and II students the opportunity to demonstrate their skills in the area of Latin language, which will include language, mottoes, and etymology. Exam questions will be drawn from previous National Latin Exams. Students are encouraged to use NLE questions from the last 30 years as study materials.

Creative Arts Contests

Sight Latin Reading

Sight Reading for Latin is a competition open to students in all levels. Students will register for this contest at Fall Forum. At the time of registration, the participant will receive a short passage from antiquity and be given ten minutes to prepare the delivery (pronunciation, phrasing, etc.).

The guidelines of the NJCL Creative Arts contest (<http://www.njcl.org/pages/CreativeArts>) will apply:

“Contestants will be given a brief selection in Latin appropriate to the year of study completed: Level 1/2 and I, Level II, Advanced Level- Prose, or Advanced Level- Poetry; students must compete on the level of Latin last completed. However, no student may compete on the same level (except for those on level 5) more than one year. Students in advanced levels may enter poetry or prose, but not both.”

When called, the student will read the speech for the judge(s), who will evaluate the speech on the following criteria:

Pronunciation of Vowels- 10 points

Pronunciation of Consonants- 10 points

Accentuation & Syllabification- 10 points

Phrasing & Continuity- 10 points

Overall impression- 10 points

Students will be ranked only with other competitors in the same level. Levels of competition are Level 1, Level 2, and Advanced (Level 3 or higher).

AP Essay Contest

This test is recommended for students who are in or have completed AP Latin: Vergil and Caesar. The prompt will be derived from the AP syllabus (Aeneid and De Bello Gallico) and students will respond in English. The passage will come from either Vergil (Book 1) or Caesar (Book 1). This choice recognizes that A.P. students may not be experiencing an integrated approach. The focus will be on writing a good essay: stating a strong thesis, marshalling evidence, and citing the Latin text. Detailed knowledge of the text from the AP syllabus will be expected.

CAMWS Translation Exam

This test will mirror the CAMWS exam which tests translation skills. It is recommended for students who are in Latin III or above. The selection will be PROSE for Intermediate (III) and POETRY for Advanced to mirror the CAMWS contest 2015. One passage, one pencil, 45 minutes max.

Graphic Arts Contests

Illustrated Quotations

Illustrated Quotations may not exceed 22 x 28 inches. They should be illustrations reflecting this year's theme:

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Remember to use only Latin words, and the student's name and school name cannot be on the front of your project. You will register your project upon arriving at Fall Forum. Look for the graphic arts registration. The winner will be featured on the Fax for State Convention this Spring!

Impromptu Art

This contest is designed to challenge a participant's artistic skills by asking the contestant to create a piece of art extemporaneously! Although materials will be available, contestants may bring the following items: pastels, charcoals, watercolors, and brushes. Upon arrival at the contest, each artist will receive six or seven items representing a classical theme.

Olympika

Distance Run

This event will take place along the cross-country track and will be open to any individual present- this is NOT a team event. Participants should meet in the rotunda promptly at the beginning of the second Olympika Block. This event is weather permitting. *Spiked shoes are not permitted.*

Volleyball

This event will take place in the gym. Schools will only be allowed one team. There will be 6 participants per team, consisting of 3 boys and 3 girls. A team may have up to two substitutes. Substitutions may only be made at halftime of timed games. Substitutions must be of the same gender. Schools wishing to participate must pre-register as a part of online Fall Forum registration. Only the first 8 schools to register teams will be accepted into the single-elimination tournament. Awards will be given for first, second, and third place teams.

Ultimate Frisbee

This event will take place in the Football Stadium. Each team will consist of six players, made up of 3 boys and 3 girls. This event is weather permitting. Schools wishing to participate must pre-register as a part of online Fall Forum registration. Only the first 8 schools to register teams will be accepted into the single-elimination tournament. Awards will be given for first, second, and third place teams.

Tug of War

This event will take place in the 100-200 Hall Breezeway (please see the school map). Each team will consist of five boys and five girls. Schools wishing to participate must pre-register as a part of online Fall Forum registration. The tournament is single elimination. Students must wear tennis shoes, may not wear gloves or cleats, and may not wrap the rope around any part of their bodies during the event. This event is weather permitting.

Certamen

Certamen is a game of fast recall of facts about classical civilizations and its people, languages, and cultures. At Fall Forum this year, competitive certamen is structured differently from certamina at previous annual tournaments and at State Convention. Please read the following description closely.

- There are three divisions of certamen: Novice for students in their first year of Latin, Lower for students in their second year, and Upper for students in Latin III or above. No student may register for more than one level. Although students may compete in a level of competition higher than their present year of Latin, no downward movement will be allowed: e.g., first-year students may play Lower, but a second-year student may not play Novice.
- Each delegation can only enter one team per level.
- A team may be composed of up to eight members, although only four students compete at a time. Teams may make substitutions at the beginning of each round or at the round's midpoint.
- Each registered team will take a preliminary test. The test will consist of questions on grammar, mythology, history, and literature. The nine highest scoring teams at each level will move onto the semifinals, and the winners of those rounds will play for glory in the final round.
- Each round of certamen will consist of twenty tossup questions (worth ten points each) with two five-point bonus questions going to the team that "wins" the tossup.

A description of play is as follows:

A tossup question worth ten points will be read by the moderator. The player who is first to press the handheld buzzer shall have the opportunity to answer the question and must begin her answer immediately after being called upon without conferring with her teammates. If this player "buzzes in" before the question is read *in toto*, she may not request additional information (e.g. spelling) concerning the question. The first answer given by a player will be the accepted answer. An answer containing any incorrect information will be counted as incorrect. If the signaling team member answers incorrectly, then any one player on another team may signal, and when called upon, attempt the answer. If no team answers the tossup correctly, then the moderator will proceed to the next tossup. If the tossup is answered correctly, then the team shall have the opportunity to answer two bonus questions, worth five points each. Team members may confer on bonuses. A team shall have no more than 15 seconds to begin to respond to any bonus question.

Awards will be given based on the results in the final rounds of each level at the Closing Assembly.

Nota Bene:

All Certamen players will eat lunch after they take the Preliminary Exam (during Lunch Block II) and before the matches begin.

Workshops

Art-based workshops, JCL-themed workshops, and academically related workshops are offered in an even distribution across three sessions.

Furthermore, some workshops are offered multiple times, allowing Fall Forum participants to attend a wide variety of events. Workshops may include:

How to Run for Office/Officer Meet and Greet

Impromptu Art

Classical Photo booth

Gladiatorial Combat

Roman Coins

The Eternal Buzz- Beekeeping

Oral Latin

Alae Mercurii Article Writing & Photo Sharing

Because workshops have limited capacities and fill up quickly, students should arrive promptly at the start of the workshop block to ensure participation. The schedule of which workshop is in which session will be on the program guides given out on the day of Fall Forum.

Service Project!

This year at Fall Forum, your 2nd Vice-President, Charlotte Densmore, will be offering a service project! Students will write letters to soldiers to keep their spirits high as they are away from home and family. This event is listed as a workshop and will be offered all day. Come join your officers and other students for some music, snacks, and service!

Lunch

A lunch will be provided to all delegates as part of the registration fee. Vegetarian and gluten-free options will be available. All Certamen participants will go to the second lunch after the preliminary exam. In order to receive lunch, students *must* be wearing their lunch bracelets.

Georgia Classical Association Meeting

Sponsors who are members of the Georgia Classical Association (GCA) are invited to a lunch and meeting from 11:30am-1:00pm.

Thank you for helping Fall Forum run smoothly by following these guidelines!

For more information, contact:

GJCL President Nicolas Franco- Roldan at president@gjcl.org

Woodstock High School Sponsor Kellie Jo Mason at Kellie.Mason@cherokee.k12.ga.us

Dress appropriately for Olympika, but remember NO SPIKES!

WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU AT WOODSTOCK HIGH SCHOOL ON OCTOBER 22nd!

