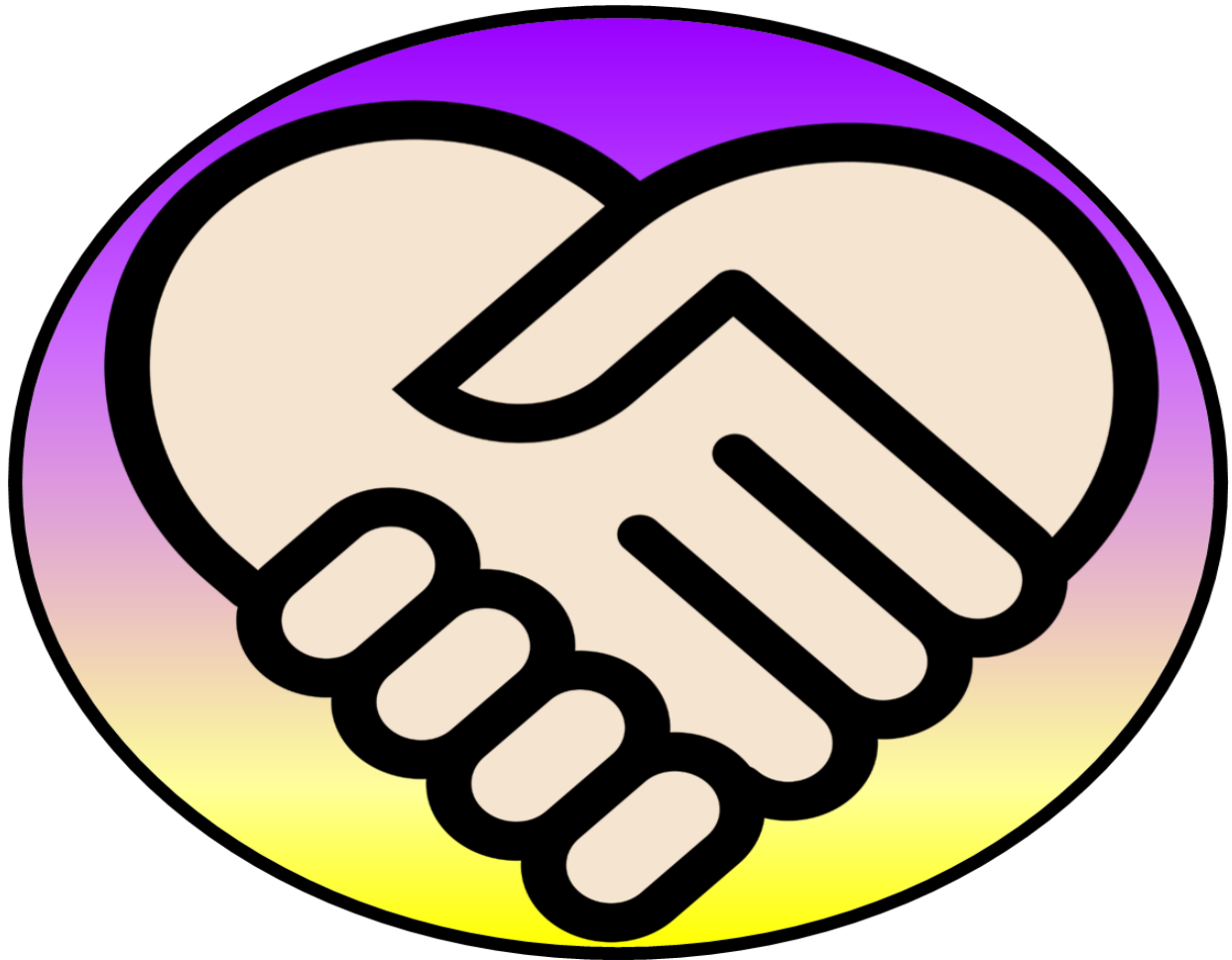


THE FAX



Ego sum hortari tantum possum ut amicitiam omnibus rebus humanis antemponatis~ Cicero, de Amicitia 17

“I urge you, as much as I am able, to place friendship above all human issues.”

October 21st 2017

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General Information

Fall Forum is the annual kick-off event and meeting of the Georgia Junior Classical League which promotes bringing together students from across the state to collaborate and emphasize the significance of the Classics in the modern day. Fall Forum will be held on Saturday, October 21st, 2017 at North Gwinnett High School in Suwanee, GA. This event is an opportunity to learn about the GJCL by participating with other students from across the state in a variety of activities related to Latin and the Classics, and thus promote membership within the organization, In addition to introducing students to this cocurricular 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, but merely to encourage collaboration amongst experienced Latin programs and provide resources to newly established ones.

North Gwinnett High School

[20 Level Creek Road Suwanee, GA 30024-1744](#)

[GCPS School Information](#)

[Official School Website](#)

Parking

Parking will take place in the North Gwinnett High School Senior Parking Lot closest to the Women's Softball field. Signs and volunteers will designate students and drivers to the parking lot and the North Gwinnett Drop-Off lane will be available directly in front of the main entrance to the North Gwinnett High School. Registration will also take place at the entrance and signs and student volunteers. Overflow parking will take place in the Junior Parking Lot closest to the Men's baseball field.

Registration

Early Registration Deadline: September 19th, \$13.00.

Normal Registration Deadline October 6th, \$15.00.

Late Registration Deadline: Tuesday, October 17th at 11:59 PM \$20.00 per delegate

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. A registration link will take you to the registration form which can be found [HERE](#) or 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.

Guidelines for Sponsors and Chaperones

1. Each delegation must be accompanied by a sponsor and an appropriate number of chaperones per number of students in attendance
2. Prior to Fall Forum, it is imperative sponsors review the important contents of this document with students paying special attention to the expectations of conduct and the activities available to students at the event.
3. The sponsor and one student delegate will check in the delegation upon arrival and receive a welcome packet (Contents Include: Schedules, specific lunch bracelets, programs, and other materials needed by the chapter for the day)
4. Sponsors and chaperones should remain in correspondence with their students in order to monitor conduct and participation.
5. Sponsors and chaperones should immediately report any suspicious/illegal activities or medical emergencies to any GJCL State Chair or directly Mr. Martin, the sponsor of the North Gwinnett 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 North Gwinnett campus.
6. North Gwinnett High School is not responsible for any lost, stolen, or damaged goods.
7. Students are advised NOT to bring valuable items, as they will not be secured by North Gwinnett High School.
8. Delegates must remain within designated Fall Forum areas. Students are not allowed to trespass into hallways and classrooms that are not in use for the purposes of Fall Forum

*All conflicting circumstances (i. e standardized tests, late arrivals, etc.) must be brought presented by a student's sponsor to be brought before the GJCL Executive Board and State Chairs for approval in allowing a delegate to arrive late/ leave early.

Tentative Schedule

Check In: Main Administration Desk (8:15-9:00)				
General Assembly 1: New/Main Gym (9:05-10:00)				
Pentathlon, AP Virgil Essay, CAMWS Translation, Latin Language Exam, Roman History and Culture Exam, Mythology Exam NGHs Theatre (10:15- 12:00)	Volleyball (10:15-10:45)	Workshop Session I (10:15-11:10)	Host/Hostess Speeches & Interviews (10:15-11:45)	
	Tug-of-War and Basketball (10:50-11:40)			
		GCA Meeting and Lunch (11:45-12:50)	Open Block! (Photo Booth, Art Viewing, Bazaar, etc.) (11:10-12:35)	
Certamen (12:30-2:25)	Ultimate Frisbee and Softball Throw (1:00-1:50)	Workshop Session II (12:40-1:30)	Latin Sight Reading (12:30-2:25)	
	50 and 100 yard Dashes (1:55-2:25)	Workshop Session III (1:35-2:25)		
General Assembly II (2:35-3:30)				

	General Assemblies
	Academic Blocks
	Ludi/Olympika Blocks
	Lunch Block
	Workshop Blocks
	Creative Arts Contests Block
	Graphic Arts Contests Block

Pre-Event Contests

Banner Contest

Each delegation that is in attendance is invited by Georgia Junior Classical League Secretary Mina Yu to showcase any and all artistry and school spirit in the GJCL Spirit Showcase by creating a banner that is a representation of its school's JCL

The banners should be created in accordance to the following rules.

1. Banners should be made from a paper medium
2. 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)
3. 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.
4. The banner should be classical in nature.
5. The banner should relate to the NJCL theme of the year in some way.
6. Banners should be presented upon arrival.

Banners will be judged in accordance to the following rubric

Area of Critique	Maximum Number of Points	Points Earned
Adherence to ALL Guidelines	10	/10
Artistic Merit	10	/10
Classical Theme Present	10	/10
Creativity	10	/10
Overall Impression	10	/10
Total	50	/50

Illustrated Quotation Contest

The Illustrated Quotation is another component of the Georgia JCL Spirit Showcase that is designed to display the artistry of a delegate and showcase spirit towards the JCL. The quotation will be illustrating the national theme: (TBD).

1. Quotes should be illustrated on a paper medium
2. The size of each banner should be 22''x 28'' with either a portrait or landscape orientation(i.e., three feet in width and five feet in height)
3. The school name AND delegate name should appear on the back of the illustrated quotation where it can be prominently seen, but NOT on the front of the quotation
4. The illustration should be classical in nature.
5. The illustration should relate to the NJCL theme of the year in some way.
6. Quotes should be presented to the GJCL Secretary upon arrival.

Illustrated Quotation Contest Rubric

Area of Critique	Maximum Number of Points	Points Earned
Adherence to ALL Guidelines	10	/10
Artistic Merit	10	/10
Classical Theme Present	10	/10
Creativity	10	/10
Overall Impression	10	/10
Total	50	/50

Host/Hostess Contest

Speech

A common tradition of Fall Forum is the Host/Hostess Contest. Annually, The Georgia Junior Classical League chooses one delegate who serves as a representative and becomes a voting member of the Junior Classical League Board. The responsibilities of this position include but are not limited to: attending all GJCL Executive Board meetings, welcoming arriving delegations at State Convention and the Fall Forum of 2018, hosting a reception at the GJCL State Convention in April 2018, and other duties delegated by the GJCL President. The elected Host or Hostess is required to organize and run the 2018 Host/Hostess Contest at Fall Forum, and for this reason they may NOT be current seniors. Schools are now limited to ONE candidate for the

competition decided by the local chapter in any means they deem necessary. 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 2017-2018 theme:

Quote: Ego vos hortarti tantum possum ut amicitiam omnibus rebus humanis anteponatis

Translation: I urge you, as much as I am able, to put friendship before all human issues

Author and Selected Work: Cicero, *De Amicitia 17*

Copies (approx.. 3-4) of a speech will be required in order to partake in the competition and will be organized upon registration for the judges. Speeches will be divided and a list will be compiled of all candidates upon their individual registrations, this will be the order in which candidates will give their speeches.

Interview

Contestants for the position of Host/Hostess will also sit before a panel of judges for an interview regarding their motivations in seeking executive board positions. ALL interviews will take place in an adjacent room to the speeches and will be conducted IMMEDIATELY AFTER the candidate has presented their speech. A rubric for both the speech and the interview has been attached below.

Rubrics

Speech Rubric

Areas of Critique	Maximum Number of Points	Points Earned
Memorization	10	/10
Adherence to Time Guidelines	10	/10
Incorporation of Theme	10	/10
Poise	10	/10
Presentation	10	/10
Total(Speech)	60	/60

Interview Rubric

Areas of Critique	Maximum Number of Points	Points Earned
Poise	20	/20
Thoroughness of Response	80	/80
Overall Impression	20	/20
Total(Interview)	120	/120

Host Competition Rubric

Components of the Host/Hostess Competition	Maximum Number of Points	Points Earned
Speech	60	/60
Interview	120	/120
Total	180	/180

ANNOUNCEMENT: Our current GJCL Hostess, Mina Yu, has taken it upon the liberty of herself to create [this amazing presentation](#) to provide tips and further information on the Host/Hostess competition.

Check it out!

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. GJCL will be offering four (4) tests this year: 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 (I. e National Latin Vocabulary Exam, Medusa Mythology Exam, Etymology Exam, etc.). 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, and both of these are good ways for delegates to prepare for what is expected of them on the College Board AP Latin Exam.

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

Under this setting, Latin I and II students have 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. This is good preparation for the exams of the same caliber that will be given at state convention.

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. This is a good exam to prepare for the types of questions that will be asked on the Medusa Mythology Exam as well as the Mythology Exam that will be given at state convention.

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. Students may also use previous state convention exams to practice, and this test is a good indicator of the caliber for which questions will be asked at the State Convention equivalents of the Phrases, Mottoes, and Derivatives exams. Students may also use this to prepare for the National Etymology Exam.

Awards

Awards will be presented to the top 5 performing delegates for each test BY LATIN LEVEL. Rewards will be presented in the closing General Assembly II at the end of the day where delegates will receive a certificate. Delegates who are unable to receive a certificate or chapters that leave early will have no means of securing said certificates UNTIL State Convention in the following April.

Creative Arts Contests

Latin Sight Reading

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

The student must remain in accordance with the guidelines of the NJCL Creative Arts contest (<http://www.njcl.org/pages/CreativeArts>) which 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“

Students, upon being called or designated by the judge(s), will read the speech for the judge(s) who will evaluate the speech with regards to the following criteria.

Area of Critique	Maximum Number of Points	Points Earned
Pronunciation of Vowels	10	/10
Pronunciation of Consonants	10	/10
Accentuation & Syllabification	10	/10
Phrasing & Continuity	10	/10
Overall Impression	10	/10
Total	50	/50

Students will be ranked only with other competitors in the same level. Levels are parallel to those of Certamen and thus are Novice (Level 1), Intermediate (Level 2), and Advanced (Level 3 or higher).

AP Essay Contest

This test is recommended for individuals completing or have completed the College Board course AP Latin: Vergil and Caesar. The essay prompt is derived from the course's required reading (Vergil's *The Aeneid* and Caesar's *De Bello Gallico*), and students will respond in English. The passages will come from either text from an earlier section, and this choice recognizes that students may not have the same approach in an integrated manner in comparison to one another. Because of this, it is expected that students have a detailed knowledge of the text from the syllabus. The focus will be on the following in writing a good essay

1. Developing a strong, coherent thesis.
2. Marshalling/Supporting your claims based off evidence in the given excerpt
3. Citing the Latin text

The CAMWS Translation Exam

The test will mirror the CAMWS translation exam taken by many students later in the year. It is recommended for Latin students in levels III(3) and above. It will mirror the CAMWS contest of 2016 and is designed to test one's advanced translation skills. All registered students who are currently in Latin III will take PROSE and all students in AP or above (equivalent to 4 or above) will take POETRY. There will be one passage students will be tested on in a 45 minute time period,

Graphic Arts Contests

Illustrated Quotes

Please refer to the guidelines aforementioned earlier in the packet on pages 6-7. They should reflect this year's theme and remember, **ONLY LATIN WORDS** (no English). Projects will be registered upon arriving at Fall Forum with the GJCL Secretary. The winning illustration will be featured as the cover of the Fax for the illustration in that 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 provided by the North Gwinnett High School Art Department, contestants may bring the following items: pastels, charcoals, watercolors, and brushes. Upon arrival at the contest, each artist will receive six/seven items representing a classical theme. This contest will take place during the first workshop session in the NGHS Art Room and will be open for spectating purposes during the open block in the Commons main entrance. Impromptu Art will follow the same rubric as Illustrated Quotations and is listed below.

Impromptu Art Rubric

Area of Critique	Maximum Number of Points	Points Earned
Adherence to ALL Guidelines	10	/10
Artistic Merit	10	/10
Classical Theme Present	10	/10
Creativity	10	/10
Overall Impression	10	/10
Total	50	/50

Ludi/Olympika

Olympika will take place across multiple NGHS sporting venues which raise the concern of being spread out. Therefore, it is imperative NGHS utilize the sign system to direct individuals from the events taking place in the main gym as well as guiding people to the track and field. ALL sporting events will be refereed and judged by governing members of the Georgia SENIOR Classical League, and any/all contested plays should be brought before their attention. There are two types of events that one can participate as a part of Olympika: weather permitting (Distance Run and Ultimate Frisbee) and NOT weather permitting (Volleyball and Tug-of-War). In the scenario the weather is not permitting, the second Olympika block will be filled as an Open Block and will be determined by the GJCL Executive Board prior to convention.

Volleyball

This event will take place in the NGHS Main gym immediately after General Assembly I was held. 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. All substitutions may only be made at halftime of the timed games, and substitutions must be of the same gender in order to maintain the 1 to 1 guy/girl ratio. 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. This event is NOT weather permitting.

Tug of War

This event will take place in the OLD Gym BEFORE Basketball. 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, and MUST maintain equal gender ratio. Any school to deviate from this will be disqualified and unable to participate. 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 NOT weather permitting.

Basketball- New to Fall Forum!

This event will take place in the Old Gym immediately AFTER the Tug-of-War. Each team will consist of three guys and three girls. Each team may make up to two substitutions. All substitutions may only be made at halftime of the timed games, and substitutions must be of the same gender in order to maintain the 1 to 1 guy/girl ratio. 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. This event is NOT weather permitting.

Ultimate Frisbee

This event will take place in the Football Stadium/ Track field. 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. The first 8 schools to register will participate in a single-elimination tournament, and awards will be given for first, second, and third place teams at the final General Assembly at the end of the day. This event is weather permitting.

50 and 100 Meter Dashes

This event will take place along the NGHS Football Stadium/Cross-country track and is open to any individual present at the start of the event. It should be noted that both dashes qualify as an individual event and do not qualify as a team event. Participants will meet by the NGHS running track nearest to the Commons. The event is weather permitting. NO SPIKED SHOES.

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 certamen 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. Further questions regarding Certamen can be addressed by Jeremy Martin at Jeremy_Martin@gwinnett.k12.ga.us.

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 will offer a variety of different topics that are designed to appeal to the various interests of JCLers, including:

- Running for Office/Officer Meet and Greet
- Roman feast
- Greek Dancing
- Gladiatorial Combat
- Alae Mercurii Article Writing
- Oral Latin

- Impromptu Art
- Classical Photo Booth
- And more!

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.

President's Workshop

CALLING ALL LOCAL CHAPTER PRESIDENTS! The GJCL is proud to announce the development of its first ever President's Workshop!

GJCL President Michael Banks would like to formally invite all local chapter presidents to this workshop which will be held during one of the workshop sessions at Fall Forum. Come discuss issues and share ideas that will contribute to the growth of your local chapter with other presidents from schools throughout the state! This workshop is designed to provide presidents with resources to contribute to the running of their local chapters and act as a platform where they can collaborate, interact, and propose inter-school service and social activities with one another.

Service Project!

The 2nd Vice President Michelle Cho will be offering a service project! This year, delegates will be making friendship bracelets for the children of St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital to keep their spirits high and remind them that they will always have a friend in the JCL. Come join officers and delegates alike 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 and provided by the Chick-fil-A Moore Road. All Certamen participants will take priority in eating first. In order to receive lunch, students must be wearing their lunch bracelets. The color of the bracelets will delineate which lunch block a student is assigned too. Lunch will be served in the Commons (cafeteria). In this scenario, it is **HIGHLY RECOMMENDED** that Certamen players eat earlier in the lunch block. They will still have bracelets delineating them as Certamen players and will thus be given priority.

Georgia Classical Association Meeting

Sponsors who are members of the Georgia Classical Association (GCA) are invited to a lunch and meeting from 11:45am-1:15pm. This will be held in the Collaborative Learning Center (CLC, the NGHS Library) and will cover topics similar to those of the previous year. Thank you for reading through The FAX, and helping Fall Forum run smoothly by adhering to the aforementioned guidelines

If you have any questions or concerns, Please contact

Michael Banks at president@gjcl.org

OR

North Gwinnett High School Sponsor and State Certamen Chair Jeremy Martin at

Jeremy_Martin@gwinnett.k12.ga.us

Remember to dress appropriately for Olympika (No spikes)!

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