

VIRGINIA JCL CONVENTION
November 18-19, 2018
Richmond Convention Centre

Nota Bene: CCS does NOT allow its Latin 1/3 students to participate.

READ THIS VERY SLOWLY/CAREFULLY!

Check out virginiajcl.org and click on CONVENTION among the choices at the top. You should then see “2018 VJCL Convention Packet” below. Click on that and read ALL of this carefully!

- Each student attending must enter at least ONE project of **high** quality, preferably ONE in academic or creative areas which will involve his/her time at the convention. (Graphic Arts require NO time AT the convention.) See below.
- Any CCS student in grade 6 or lower MUST be accompanied by his/her parent. Any CCS student in grade 7 or above whose parent cannot go MUST find another parent to accept the responsibility for him/her BEFORE signing up for this convention.
- Each CCS parent attending as a paying (meals included) chaperon will be required to help Sunday morning registration of graphic arts: checking for accurate information on project labels and placing projects in the correct area. Several CCS parents will also run Impromptu Art on Sunday evening and Monday morning. This WILL mean leaving your child(ren) for a while. All persons sharing a room must be paying and participating convention delegates: NO younger siblings not in JCL, NO spouses who prefer not to help run the convention.

WHY GO? The bottom line: LATIN STUDENTS ARE SERIOUS STUDENTS WHO ENJOY STUDYING LATIN. THIS IS FUN! LATIN IS FUN! WINNING IS FUN! Where else, whether you are home schooled or in a large public or small private school, can you compete in all the areas below? And do it with 1500+ other enthusiastic Latin students? And learn more about the Greeks and Romans than even the Schearers know?

COST: You will receive an e-mail invoice in early November, specifying exactly what your family owes for the VJCL Convention. **NO MONEY WILL BE DUE UNTIL YOU RECEIVE THIS INVOICE IN EARLY NOVEMBER.**

Convention Fee: \$ 85 PER STUDENT (\$30 for chaperons; \$30 for sponsors). This covers expenses to run the convention, hand-outs, and Sunday’s Banquet.

Hotel Room: \$149 per room per night (divided between/among the number per room). We MUST put a minimum of THREE persons in each room because VJCL has reserved a limited number of rooms for this convention.

FINANCIAL AID: A limited amount of financial aid is available from the CCS JCL. Ask Mrs. Schearer or Mrs. Solomon.

IMPORTANT: When you register your children and yourself/another chaperone for this convention, you are committing yourself to pay for the room which you have requested. If you and/or your child(ren) should later decide NOT to attend the convention FOR ANY REASON, you will still be billed for the HOTEL room which you have requested. **The registration for CCS delegates will request the Marriott for Sunday night, Nov. 18.** If you wish to arrive on Saturday evening, you must make YOUR OWN reservations at whatever hotel you choose. If you choose the Marriott, you must NOT expect to be in the same room both nights AND you must make it perfectly clear that the Saturday night billing will be separate from the VJCL convention registration.

POSSIBLE CONTESTS: see viriniajcl.org or Mrs. Schearer for DETAILS. She will also supply sample tests, coach oral presentations, and make suggestions for all other contests, and INSIST that you make use of her expertise.

•**ACADEMIC TESTS:** No more than SIX (and only TWO in each session):

(Session 1) Roman History, Mottoes-Phrases-Abbreviations-Quotes, Reading Comprehension (Latin IV and AP Latin students must specify **prose** or **poetry**).

(Session 2) Latin Grammar, Latin Derivatives, Roman Life & Customs, Ancient Geography

(Session 3) Mythology, Latin Vocabulary, Literature, Pentathlon.

(Session 4) Academic Decathlon for Latin Three and higher, Monday AM, no more than three entrants per school.

No awards will be given to students scoring below 22 (out of 75 questions OR (for Reading Comprehension) 16 out of 50 questions).

•**CREATIVE ARTS:** see viriniajcl.org for details on each contest's rules and evaluation

•write a **Modern Myth** in English (Oct. 17 deadline to email to Mrs. Schearer before Oct. 20 email deadline);

•**Sight Reading of Latin** Monday morning of convention. (NO sweepstakes points);

•**Storytelling** (English);

•**English Oratory:** this year's theme is *Apēs nōn sunt sōitāriā nātūrā*. "Bees are not naturally 'loners.'"

•**Latin Oratory;** passages are posted on the viriniajcl.org website. Mrs. Schearer will break each passage down by phrases and give you a copy. She will record the correct Latin pronunciation for all delegates.

•**Dramatic Interpretation** of Latin; passages are posted on the viriniajcl.org website. Mrs. Schearer will break each passage down by phrases and give you a copy. She will record the correct Latin pronunciation for all delegates. Latin IV & V/AP students must specify "prose" or "poetry."

•**Costume contest** (**Girls:** a Danaid; **Boys:** Ixion; **Couples:** Hades & Persephone)

•**GRAPHIC ARTS:** all rules are posted on the viriniajcl.org website. Changes from earlier years and from NJCL rules have been highlighted.

ART: No more than ONE in each category: charcoal, black ink, colored ink, oil/acrylic, pastel or chalk, black pencil, colored pencil, watercolor, mixed media

HANDICRAFT: No more than ONE in each category: illustrated child's book, greeting card, cartoon, chart, handmade doll, game, classical jewelry, map: drawn or constructed, large model, small model (including coin replicas and tombstones), mosaic, tree ornament, single traditional photograph, digitally enhanced photograph, photographic group, poster, pottery, illustrated quotation, sculpture or masks, stitched textile, other textile.

IMPROMPTU ART: Sunday night or Monday morning, NO sweepstakes points.

Sight Latin Reading: Monday morning, NO sweepstakes points.

All-VA Street Certamen: no information printed on [viriniajcl](http://viriniajcl.org) website. NO sweepstakes points.

WHAT DO I HAVE TO DO FOR MY CHILD(REN) TO PARTICIPATE?

•We can take up to 40% of our dues-paid members. CCS Latin students are automatically members.

•Although CCS may accept JCL dues from non-Latin students at CCS, **WE WILL NOT ACCEPT STUDENTS WHO ARE NOT LATIN STUDENTS OR ACTIVE CERTAMEN PLAYERS AT CCS to register as participating delegates OR as room-fillers for the 2018 VJCL convention.** Don't even ask!

•There is NO limit on parent chaperones, but fathers who wish to share a room must register as delegates and perform any chaperoning duties which VJCL asks of them. (Fathers ARE ENCOURAGED to help out as chaperons and to perform "I don't know anything about Latin" tasks to help the convention run smoothly.)

•**GET YOUR ACT TOGETHER!** You MUST have read ALL the pertinent information at virginiajcl.org under "VJCL convention" **BEFORE Thursday, October 11.** You MUST discuss these options with your child(ren), BEFORE then and fill out your student and parent registration forms accordingly. If you are just parent and child, you MUST find (BEFORE October 11) another unaccompanied child OR parent and child to share your room.

FILLING OUT CONVENTION REGISTRATION FORMS:

On Thursday, October 11, EVERY PARENT AND STUDENT planning to attend this convention MUST meet with Mrs. Solomon and Mrs. Schearer in Discipleship Hall at 12:05 to fill out convention registration forms correctly and completely. This does NOT mean you may come at any time during lunch!

Every student MUST already have decided ALL competitions in which (s)he will compete.

THE ONLY EXCEPTION TO THIS MANDATORY MEETING will be for those parents who have already (**before noon, October 11**) personally given Mrs. Solomon or Mrs. Schearer their registration forms which have already been OK'ed as being COMPLETE. Do NOT put your forms in a teacher's folder.

Absolutely ZERO exceptions will be made for families which are not sufficiently organized to stick to these deadlines. **If you have ignored or forgotten about these instructions before noon, October 11, 2016, please DO NOT EXPECT PITY OR EXCEPTIONS. GET YOUR ACT TOGETHER!**

Please telephone or e-mail Magistra Schearer or Magistra Solomon if you have ANY questions **BEFORE Wednesday, October 4,** (Schearer: 540-665-5802) sscheare@gmail.com. dsolomon.ccs@gmail.com

**2018 Virginia JCL Convention
REGISTRATION FORM
FOR STUDENTS**

ONE form for EACH STUDENT!

STUDENT'S NAME _____

STUDENTS FILL OUT THIS INFORMATION:

___ I am now in Latin I (2/2 or 3/3)

___ I am now in Latin III

___ I've am now in AP Latin.

___ I have completed Latin ___ but am not taking Latin this year.

DO NOT OMIT GRADE LEVEL BELOW!!

___ What I consider to be my grade level (5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12)

I plan to enter the following contest(s): YOU CANNOT CHANGE YOUR REGISTRATION FOR ACADEMIC TESTS, but all other entries are flexible. (BE AS SPECIFIC AS POSSIBLE: For Arts and Crafts, list medium and subject).

ACADEMIC TESTS:

NO more than TWO per session:

Session 1:

___ Roman History ___ Mottoes, Phrases, Abbreviations, Quotes

___ Reading Comprehension (if you are in Latin AP, specify prose or poetry)

Session 2:

___ Roman Life & Customs ___ Ancient Geography

___ Latin derivatives ___ Latin Grammar

Session 3:

___ Mythology ___ Latin Literature

___ Latin vocabulary ___ Pentathlon

Session 4: Academic Decathlon for Latin Three and higher, Monday AM (same time as Sight Latin Reading and Street Certamen). Mrs. Schearer will assign the THREE students to take this test. If we have more than three who wish to take this test, we will give those students a similar test to determine the top three participants. If you wish to be considered, check HERE: _____

CREATIVE ARTS

LATIN ORATORY

STORYTELLING

MODERN MYTH

ENGLISH ORATORY

SIGHT LATIN READING (no sweep-stakes points)

DRAMATIC INTERP

Latin I girls Latin I boys

Latin II girls Latin II boys

adv girls' **prose** adv girls' **poetry** (choose only ONE)

adv. boys' **prose** adv. boys' **poetry** (choose only ONE)

COSTUME: Girls Boys

Costume couples WITH _____

Possible Arts and Crafts Entries:

PLEASE FILL OUT THE NEXT PAGE AS WELL

ROOMING INFORMATION:

The following people (up to 4, including myself) will be in my room at the hotel on Sunday night, November 18. ALL persons in a room must be registered and paying delegates.

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If this room has four **students**, please list name of adult chaperone:
_____ (name of adult).

We do NOT have the option of making our own reservations. VJCL will make ALL hotel room reservations this year and **ONLY for Sunday night**. CCS delegates wishing to stay Saturday night as well must make their own reservations, with the caveat that you may have to change rooms between Saturday night and Sunday night. (Saturday night rooms are NOT mandated to hold 3 or 4 delegates as Sunday night rooms are.) We hope to be registering for this convention early enough to get into the Marriott across the street from the convention center.

EVERY STUDENT DELEGATE MUST SIGN THIS BY THURSDAY, OCTOBER 11, WHETHER OR NOT A PARENT WILL ACCOMPANY HIM/HER.

FORMS WITHOUT SIGNATURES WILL NOT BE PROCESSED.

I understand that I will be held to very high standards of excellence in preparation for this competition and in behavior at this convention. I understand that infraction of VJCL rules will result in my being sent home from this convention at my parents' expense.

Signature of JCL delegate

EVERY ADULT WHO IS SENDING A STUDENT DELEGATE MUST SIGN THIS BY OCTOBER 11, WHETHER OR NOT THAT PARENT WILL ACCOMPANY HIM/HER.

I understand that my child will be held to very high standards of excellence in preparation for this competition and in behavior at the convention. I understand that infraction of VJCL rules will result in my child's being sent home from this convention at my expense.

UNLESS I have stated otherwise under ROOMING INFORMATION above, I understand that I have requested a hotel room for the Sunday night of this VJCL convention and that I must pay for that room, plus convention registration fees for all registered members of my family, when the invoice arrives, even if my child(ren) and/or I can no longer attend the convention.

Signature of parent

**2018 Virginia JCL Convention
REGISTRATION FORM
FOR PARENTS/CHAPERONS
ONE FORM FOR EACH ADULT**

ADULT'S NAME _____

I am primarily in charge of chaperoning (name of student[s]) _____

**I have also accepted responsibility for the following students from the
Classical Cottage School:**

_____ **My family will arrive in Richmond on Saturday and make our own
reservations for Saturday night.**

_____ **My family will arrive in Richmond by 9 a.m. on Sunday.**

PICK THREE OF THESE CHAPERONING DUTIES:

first choice = 1, 2nd choice = 2, 3rd choice = 3

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| _____ Register Graphic Arts 8 a.m. Sunday | _____ Assist with Impromptu Art |
| _____ Open Certamen (spotter/scorer) | _____ Proctoring tests I (Sunday noon) |
| _____ Proctoring tests II (Sunday afternoon) | _____ Proctoring tests III (Sunday evening) |
| _____ Arts & Crafts judging (Sunday most of the day) | |
| _____ Arts & Crafts pick-up (Mon afternoon) | _____ Proctoring Dinner (Sunday evening) |
| _____ Dance (8:30-10 Sun. night) | _____ Dance (10:30-11:30 Sun. night) |
| _____ Karaoke (Sunday night) | _____ Ludi Frivoli |

IF YOU HAVE SOME PARTICULAR EXPERTISE IN JUDGING ANY AREA OF
CONVENTION COMPETITION, please indicate here so we may try to put you in that
area of judging. _____

**I understand that I have to volunteer to make some positive contribution to the
smooth running of the Virginia JCL Convention, that I am among many
chaperones who "don't have a clue" what I'm to do, but I want it to run smoothly.**

Signature of parent _____