2019 National Mythology Exam

This was the 30th year of the National Mythology Exam. It was taken in February by over 9,000 students from 400 schools in the United States, Canada, and Australia. The goal of the exam is to promote the study of classical mythology and literature in secondary schools. It has 50 (for the 6th grade) or 60 (for the other grades) multiple choice questions. This year's exam had 3 sections:

* the main classical gods & goddesses - Zeus, Athena, Mars, etc
* Book 6 of Vergil’s Aeneid – Aeneas gains entrance to the Underworld with the Golden Bough and visits his father Anchises, who shows him future Roman heroes drinking from the river Lethe
* the Underworld – the famous criminals punished in Tartarus, including Tantalus (ever hungry and every thirsty, the source of the English word tantalize) and Sisyphus (forced to push a boulder up a hill but never succeeds, the source of the English word Sisyphean)



The punishment of Sisyphus in Tartarus is so famous

that it is used in cartoons even today, 3,000 years later.

**Honorable Mention**

 **\*6th Grade Only\***

Heidi Crowther

Lily Gentes

Trey Lippert

Lenni Mellin

Elena Stone

**Bronze Medallion**

6th:

Anneliese Brouwer

Mason Butler

Finn Kropp

Annette LaLonde

Claire Lamarre

Jocelyn Lauckner

Jordyn Lauckner

Nia Neal

Kira Njegovan

Lilly Sievering

Grace Tounge

7th:

Reagan Bricking

Lilly Dwyer

Jude Gerhardt

Drew Hinton

Ethan Lam

Matthew Langenderfer

Brett Maples

Benny Penote

Alek Stanisic

Maddie Sumnar

8th:

Maria Bishop

Ali Burns

Ryan Kenter

Logan Miller

Sam Parker

Ryan Schnitter

Nicholas Stanis

Upper School:

Graeme Barrere

Julia Dean

Erin Devine

Breanne Grogan

Cecilia Hasan

Hudson Nuss

Thomas Zhang

**Silver Medallion**

6th:

Joey DiPaola

Benedict Domville

Kwadwo Karikari

Colin Koran

Katie McLane

Sophia Nery

Allen Wang

7th:

Jackson Campbell

8th:

Rimel Kamran

Wali Khan

Owen McEachern

William McLane

Tommy Schaefer

Upper School:

Irene Calderon

Brandon Harris

Aidan Lawler

Kendall Richard

Jennifer Sullivan

Kathryn Sullivan

**Gold Medallion – Perfect Exam**

Jimmy Fraley (9th)

\*2 year in a row!

Anna Grace Sanders (6th)