

## 2017 National Mythology Exam

This was the 28th year of the National Mythology Exam. It was taken in February by over 10,000 students 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 multiple choice questions. This year's exam had 3 sections:

- the main classical gods & goddesses - Zeus, Athena, Mars, etc
- Book 22 of Homer's *Iliad* – where the Greek Achilles kills the Trojan Hector to avenge the death of his friend Patroclus; his anger towards Hector is so great that Achilles drags the corpse of Hector across the plain of Troy
- the hero Heracles – best known for his 12 Labors, including the killing of the Nemean lion & Lernean Hydra and the capture of Cerberus, the 3-headed guard of the Underworld



*Heracles shows the hydra-like Cerberus to Eurystheus, who hides in a storage jar  
(6<sup>th</sup> century BC vase from Etruria)*

### Honorable Mention (40+) – 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Only

Ali Burns  
Katie Crowther  
Conlan Daniel  
Maya Hajjar  
James Hinton  
Wali Khan  
Freya Kindel  
T.J. McGrath  
William McLane  
Logan Miller  
Tommy Schaefer  
Ryan Schnitter  
Drew Zins

### Bronze Medallion (45+)

6<sup>th</sup>:  
Caroline Beckes  
Caroline Burns  
Shannon Dennemann  
Megan Ebken  
Alaina Fisher  
Kat Fitzpatrick  
Lavina Grzymajlo  
Ryan Kenter  
Owen McEachern  
Sam Parker  
Addie Ransick  
PJ Schaaf

7<sup>th</sup>:  
Abby Almaguer  
Graeme Barrere  
Parker Bricking  
Brooklyne Darby  
Cecilia Hasan  
Sadie Joseph  
Hudson Ritch  
Anna Catherine Sansalone

8<sup>th</sup>:  
Elizabeth Dziech  
Margot Lakes  
Ava Norton  
Lily Ritch

9<sup>th</sup>:  
Isa Bishop  
Michelle Chen  
Graham Hartman  
Jon Hays  
Burke Hinton  
Mac Hoeweler  
Elsa Khan  
Isha Tamrakar

### Silver Medallion (48+)

6<sup>th</sup>:  
Maria Bishop  
Trey Butler  
Nicholas Stanis

7<sup>th</sup>:  
T.J. Armstrong  
Irene Calderon  
Keelan Daniel  
Jimmy Fraley  
Lily Lippert  
Jennifer Sullivan  
Teddy Sumnar

8<sup>th</sup>:  
Erin Devine  
Tommy Dipaola  
Claire Healy  
Aidan Lawler

9<sup>th</sup>:  
Maliah Bricking  
Ryan Burns  
Connie Nelson  
Kathryn Sullivan

### Gold Medallion (50) – Perfect Exam

Caroline Klette - 3<sup>rd</sup> year in a row

# 2017 Medusa Mythology Exam

The Medusa Mythology Exam is a 40 question multiple-choice test given every April to over 10,000 high school students from across the United States. This exam is much more challenging than the National Mythology Exam and requires a thorough knowledge of Greek mythology.

The theme of this year's competition was '**Rise and Fall of the Titans**,' and questions focused on the generation of the gods who ruled the universe prior to Zeus and the Olympians. Famous Titans include: Cronus who castrated his father and swallowed down his infant children; Atlas who held up the sky from the earth and gives his name to the Atlas Mountains and the Atlantic Ocean; and Prometheus who stole fire for mankind and was punished by having an eagle peck out his liver each day.

*20% of Summit students earned an award this year.*



*This Greek wine bowl of the 6<sup>th</sup> century BC depicts Atlas carrying the world on his shoulders and Prometheus being tormented by an eagle sent by Zeus to eat his liver as punishment for giving mankind the gift of fire.*

## **'Corona Olivae' Certificate**

Alex Almaguer, Hali Clark, Brooklyne Darby, Julia Dean, Joseph Delamerced, Jimmy Fraley, Liv Hartman, Sadie Joseph, Lily Lippert, Maya Mehlman, Connie Nelson, Ava Norton, Kendall Richard, Hudson Ritch, Jennifer Sullivan

**'Corona Laurea' Certificate** - Erin Devine, Kathryn Sullivan

**Bronze Medal** - Irene Calderon

**Silver Medal** – Caroline Klette (top Summit score, 31)



The National Junior Classical League sponsors 3 online exams: Roman Civilization, Classical Etymology, and Latin Vocabulary. This is the 8th year of these challenging contests.

Over 1,800 students took the online **Roman Civilization Exam**. It was a 50 question, multiple choice exam: 25 questions on history, and 25 questions on civilization. Over 30% of Summit students earned an award.

**Bronze Medal**

Ryan Burns, Tommy DiPaola, Mac Hoeweler, Chris Kahle, Caroline Klette, Laura Klug, Connie Nelson, Brendan Ochs, Lisa Poffenberger, Teddy Sumnar

**Silver Medal**

Graeme Barrere, Maliah Bricking, Irene Calderon, Matthew Casanas, Conrad Coldiron, Davis DeFoor, Joseph Delamerced, Jimmy Fraley, Sadie Joseph, Grace Millikin, Auggie Ransick, James Speed, Jennifer Sullivan, Kathryn Sullivan, Michael Warden

**Gold Medal**

Abby Almaguer, Julia Dean, **Tullus Dean (top Summit score, 35)**, Matthew Warden

Over 5,000 students took the online **Classical Etymology Exam**. It was also a 50 question, multiple choice exam. Its purpose is to test a student's ability to handle both Latin and Greek derivatives and their usage in the English language. Over 27% of Summit students earned awards.

**Bronze Medal**

Abby Almaguer, Ryan Burns, Brooklyne Darby, Davis DeFoor, Brigid Devine, Tommy DiPaola, Caroline Klette, Laura Klug, Caroline Kubicki, Aidan Lawler, Ava Norton, Brendan Ochs, Maya Warren

**Silver Medal**

Cat Alway, Patrick Casanas, Elizabeth Dziech, Colby Gordon, Elsa Khan, Hudson Ritch, Matthew Warden, Michael Warden

**Gold Medal**

Isa Bishop, Irene Calderon, Matthew Casanas, **Joseph Delamerced (top Summit score, 45)**

Almost 2,500 students took the online **Latin Vocabulary Exam**. It was a 60 question, multiple choice exam. 25% of Summit students earned an award.

**Bronze Medal**

William Beckes, Parker Bricking, Julia Dean, Davis DeFoor, Brigid Devine, Elizabeth Fahrmeier, Colby Gordon, Graham Hartman, Chris Kahle, Caroline Klette, Hudson Ritch, George Schaefer, Jennifer Sullivan, Filippo Tosolini, Michael Warden

**Silver Medal**

Abby Almaguer, Maliah Bricking, Irene Calderon, Jimmy Fraley, Connie Nelson

**Gold Medal**

Isa Bishop, Ryan Burns, Matthew Casanas, **Joseph Delamerced (top Summit score, 55)**



# THE NATIONAL LATIN EXAM

Over 149,000 students from all 50 states and 16 foreign countries participated in the 41<sup>st</sup> annual National Latin Exam. The NLE consists of 40 multiple choice questions on grammar, vocabulary, derivatives, mythology, history, and culture. This exam is a chance for students to test their knowledge against Latin students throughout the world. 7<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade Latin students take this exam.

***71% of Summit Students Earned Awards, and 15% Earned Gold Medals!***

## **7th Grade Awards – Introduction to Latin Exam (with number correct out of 40)**

### **Achievement Certificate**

Abby Almaguer (33), T.J. Armstrong (32), Graeme Barrere (31), Audrey Campbell (31), Keelan Daniel (34), Cecilia Hasan (33), Karley Michel (30), Margot Lakes (33), Andrew Murtaugh (30), Molly Ragland (32), Anna Catherine Sansalone (34), Keenan Schomburger (30), Luca Tosolini (34)

### **Outstanding Achievement Certificate + Ribbon**

Parker Bricking (40!), Irene Calderon (38), Jimmy Fraley (40!), Sadie Joseph (36), Lily Lippert (35), Kendall Richard (36), Hudson Ritch (38), Teddy Sumnar (36), Jennifer Sullivan (37), Reagan Sutton (35),

## **8<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> Grade Awards (with year of Latin + the number correct out of 40)**

### **‘Cum Laude’ Certificate**

Alex Almaguer (III 27), Hali Clark (IV 27), Autumn Class (II 31), Tommy DiPaola (I 29), Elizabeth Dziech (I 29), Mike Hall (II 31), Burke Hinton (II 32), Mac Hoeweler (II 31), Leah Neltner (I 30), Beckett Schiaparelli (II 31)

### **‘Magna Cum Laude’ Certificate**

Cat Alway (III 29), Tullus Dean (V 28), Andrew Foley (III 28), Elsa Khan (II 34), George Schaefer (I 31), Filippo Tosolini (III 28), Jennifer Whitehead (V 27)

### **Silver Medal + 'Maxima Cum Laude' Certificate**

William Beckes (III 33), Michelle Chen (II 36), Conrad Coldiron (IV 33), William DeFoor (IV 33), Brigid Devine (III 32), Erin Devine (I 35), Elizabeth Fahrmeier (I 33), Colby Gordon (III 32), Emily Harris (III 32), Graham Hartman (I 35), Liv Hartman (III 32), Chris Kahle (III 32), Caroline Klette (IV 31), Caroline Kubicki (III 32), Aidan Lawler (I 35), Grace Millikin (III 33), Brendan Ochs (III 33), Connie Nelson (II 36), Ava Norton (I 35), Amy Poffenberger (III 33), Lily Ritch (I 34), Alisha Shabbir (I 34), Emily Warden (II 36), Matthew Warden (II 36)

### **Gold Medal + 'Summa Cum Laude' Certificate**

Isa Bishop (II 39), Maliah Bricking (II 39), Ryan Burns (II 39), Matthew Casanas (I 37), Patrick Casanas (IV 34), Julia Dean (III 38), Joseph Delamerced (IV 40!), Brandon Harris (III 35), James Speed (III 36), Kathryn Sullivan (II 37), Michael Warden (IV 37) Maya Warren (IV 35)

## **Perfect Scores on the 2017 NLE**

Summit had 3 perfect scores this year! To earn a perfect score is extremely difficult and rare: only 1,112 students out of 135,000 (less than 1%!) received a perfect score on the 2015 National Latin Exam.

- ❖ **Parker Bricking (Intro Level)**
- ❖ **Jimmy Fraley (Intro Level)**
- ❖ **Joseph Delamerced (Level 4)**

## **Special Book Awards**

The National Latin Exam has awarded a 'Special Book Award' to 1 Summit student for earning consecutive gold medals:

- ✓ **Joseph Delamerced** has won 4 Golds and will receive an NLE Book Award, The Oxford Classical Dictionary.

It is quite an achievement to get the Gold Medal numerous times. Congrātulātiōnēs!

## 2017 NJCL Latin Honor Society Induction

The Latin Honor Society is an honorary organization for students who have exhibited excellence in the study of the Latin language. Students in the Latin Honor Society must:

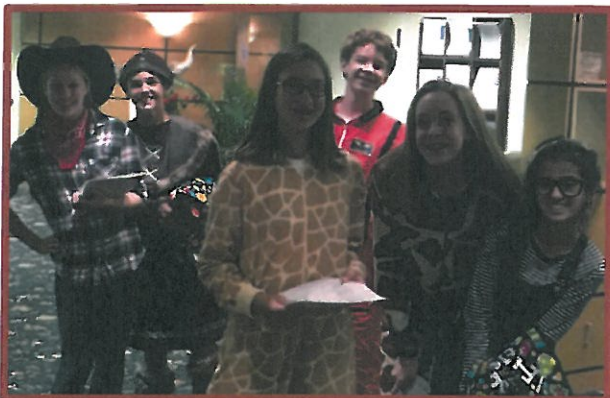
- ✓ maintain an “A” average in Latin
- ✓ demonstrate dedication and enthusiasm for the language
- ✓ participate in at least 4 Latin-sponsored events

Many of the students participated in the various service activities sponsored by the Latin Club. There were 10 activities for a total of **269 service hours!**

- Out of Darkness Walk for Suicide Prevention
- Halloween fun at the Lee Retirement Home (Oct)
- ‘OJCL Make a Difference Day’ at the Californian Nature Preserve (Oct)
- 6 Saturdays at Matthew 25 Ministries in Blue Ash (Sept through May)
- ‘Project Linus’ blankets at the State Convention (March)
- Easter Egg Hunt at the Lee Retirement Home (April)



Make a Difference Day at California Woods (above); Halloween & Easter at Marjorie P Lee (below)



Here are some quotes from the student essays for the LHS about their Summit Latin experience:

- ❖ 'My love of Latin and Greek mythology is so great I chose a mythology theme for my last birthday party!'
- ❖ 'I have shown leadership through my position as Summit Latin President and as President of the OJCL.'
- ❖ 'My enthusiasm for learning new words and new grammar is my path to success in this class.'
- ❖ 'I do extra studying with my Latin teacher once a week to show my dedication for Latin!'
- ❖ 'I look forward to Latin class because there is always something new to learn.'
- ❖ 'I have been taking Latin for 5 years now, and it has been my favorite class. I really like learning about its history, poetry, and the language's progression over the centuries.'
- ❖ 'I have made some of my best friendships through Latin.'

### **1st Year (26) - Pin + Certificate + 'Summit Latin' pen**

7th Grade: Abby Almaguer, Parker Bricking, Irene Calderon, Brooklyne Darby, Jimmy Fraley, Sadie Joseph, Nicky Luttmer, Karley Michel, Andrew Murtaugh, Kendall Richard, Hudson Ritch, Anna Catherine Sansalone, Jennifer Sullivan, Reagan Sutton, Luca Tosolini

9th Grade: Lee Armitage, Isa Bishop, Maliah Bricking, Graham Hartman, Leah Neltner, Thomas Zhang

10th Grade: Colby Gordon, Anna Fahrmeier, Jeffrey Huang, Grace Millikin, Amy Poffenberger

### **2nd Year (10) - Pin + Certificate + 'Summit Latin' pen**

8th Grade: Matthew Casanas, Erin Devine, Elizabeth Fahrmeier, Ava Norton, Alisha Shabbir

9th Grade: Michelle Chen, Elsa Khan, Benjamin Schmerge

10th Grade: Brigid Devine

11th Grade: Chris Kahle

### **3rd Year (11) - Certificate + 'Summit Latin' pen**

9th Grade: Ryan Burns, Connie Nelson, Jack Schmerge, Kathryn Sullivan, Emily Warden, Matthew Warden

10th Grade: Brandon Harris, Filippo Tosolini

11th Grade: Davis DeFoor, Andrew Foley, Brendan Ochs

### **4th Year (3) - Certificate + 'Summit Latin' pen**

10th Grade: Julia Dean, Emily Harris

11th Grade: Patrick Casanas

### **5th Year (2) - Certificate + 'Summit Latin' pen**

11th Grade: Joseph Delamerced, Michael Warden

### **6th Year (1) - Certificate + 'Summit Latin' pen**

12th Grade: Tullus Dean