

2023 SUMMIT LATIN AWARDS CEREMONY



2022-2023 'Rēs Gestae' of the Summit Latin Program (the best of the best!)

Perfect on the National Latin Exam

Level ½: Ben Hofmann

Level 1: Kat Shuey

Perfect on the Pegasus Mythology Exam

7th grade: John Trokan

Perfect on the Classical Literacy Exam

6th Grade Level: Parker Adams, James Busch, Olivia Miele, Enya Renfrow, Alejandro Sharp

Level 1: Ben Hofmann

2023 Ohio JCL Convention

16 1st Place Awards – Hana Conte (2), Callie Fox, Kyan Gatewood, Ben Hofmann (6),

Tyler Gier, Ana Leyendecker, Kori McLane (2), Cailyn Youtsey (2)

Best of Show Award – Rowan Lavelle and Kori McLane in the Costume Contest

Overall Creative Contests: Ben Hofmann (2nd), Hana Conte (4th)

Overall Graphic Arts Contests: Kori McLane (3rd),

Overall Academic Tests: Ben Hofmann (3rd)

Overall Points: Kori McLane (2nd), Ben Hofmann (3rd), Hana Conte (14th)

Summit Latin – 1st in Overall Points for the 5th consecutive year!

Ohio JCL Officers Wali Khan (Parliamentarian), Ana Leyendecker (Secretary)

Ohio State Chairs Tullus Dean (Technology and Convention), Lisa Mays (Students)

Summit Latin Club President Wali Khan



Augustus wrote a memoir called the Rēs Gestae (My Accomplishments), which made him look pretty good. This is the statue of Augustus Prima Porta, and – like many statues – it was originally painted.

2023 Classical Literacy Exam

The Classical Literacy Exam is given to all Latin students in May. This competition measures basic knowledge of all aspects of Greek and Roman civilizations, including vocabulary, expressions, mythology, history, culture, quotes, and geography. The various lists include terms like:

- valedictorian (the #1 academic student who ‘says goodbye’ at graduation)
- Pandora’s box (how the Greeks and Romans explained the existence of evil in the world)
- protean (easily changeable, from the shape-shifting sea-god Proteus)
- hubris (excessive pride, the downfall of many protagonists in Greek tragedy)



This red-figure vase painting shows Proteus, sometimes called the Old Man of the Sea. Like Poseidon’s son Triton, Proteus is half-man and half-fish. Menelaus became stranded in Egypt on his journey home from the Trojan War, and – although Proteus changed into all sorts of creatures and objects – Menelaus held him down and forced him to help find a way back home to Sparta.

2023 CLASSICAL LITERACY EXAM

6th Grade Level

Corona Aenea Ribbon

Sophie Daniher
Aidan Grant
Claudio Matos

Corona Argentea Ribbon

Lexy Beyerbach
J.J. Castellini
Jack Erbeck
Samuel Krulcik
Austin Miller
Dominic Montaque
Dallas Parker
Caroline Reynolds

Corona Aurea Ribbon

Henry Ahouse
Colton Bettcher
Eileen Bolan
Ava Boyer
Natalie Campbell
Beckham Carrasquillo
Van Devendorf
Asela Goico
Mabel Hartmann
Marguerite Jackson
Nikhil Jain
Charlie Jenkins
Stefen Karageorges
Cameron Kline
Amber Kuehnel
Nico Palacio-Vega
Sofia Pancheri
Lucy Viveros Valdepena

Level 1

Corona Aenea Ribbon

Anneliese Brouwer
Grey Bryant
Addison Golden
Sam Hinton
Alexis Lange
Liv Mueller
Abigayle Penote
Johnny Sumnar
Cailyn Youtsey

Corona Argentea Ribbon

Chike Anusionwu
Liam Buckius
Bennett Kreeger
Brett Maples
Maddie Mescher
Grace Sabath
Kat Shuey
Hamilton Uhl

Corona Aurea Ribbon

Olivia Beltran
Alina Butcher
Drew Fletcher
Kyan Gatewood
Shriyan Masineni
Sophia Nery
John Trokan

Level 2 Corona Aurea - Emily Bolan

Level 3 Corona Aenea

Ana Leyendecker
Kori McLane

Level 3 Corona Aurea - Mia Rahner

Perfect Score Medal!

Parker Adams (6th grade)
James Busch (6th grade)
Ben Hofmann (Level 1)
Olivia Miele (6th grade)
Enya Renfrow (6th grade)
Alejandro Sharp (6th grade)

2023 Pegasus Mythology Exam

The Pegasus Mythology Exam is a multiple-choice test given every February to over 5,000 middle school students from over 300 schools across the United States. This exam includes the origins of the classical gods, the rule of the Olympians, and a special section on Jason & the Argonauts, the group who went on the quest for the Golden Fleece.



In this vase painting, Athena is born from Zeus' head, with the help of Hephaestus.

The 6th graders took a 40-question test, and 50% earned an award this year.

'Cum Laude' Certificate (30-33):

Parker Adams, Lexy Beyerbach, Natalie Campbell, Sophie Daniher, Jack Erbeck,
Jack Geers, Asela Goico, Easton Griffin, Alaina Williams

Ribbon + 'Magna Cum Laude' Certificate (34-36):

Van Devendorf, Mabel Hartmann, Marguerite Jackson, Nikhil Jain, Edward Neyra

Silver Medal + 'Maxima Cum Laude' Certificate (37-38):

Eileen Bolan, Beckham Carrasquillo, Stefen Karageorges, Olivia Miele, Dallas Parker,
Enya Renfrow

Gold Medal + 'Summa Cum Laude' Certificate (39):

Henry Ahouse, Colton Bettcher, Charlie Jenkins, Cameron Kline, Sofia Pancheri,
Alejandro Sharp

The 7th and 8th graders took a 50-question test. It included the 40 questions from the 6th grade exam with 10 more detailed questions on Jason and the Argonauts.

63% of Summit 7th and 8th graders earned an award this year.



In this vase painting, Medea – after causing the death of Jason's new bride – escapes on a serpent-drawn chariot.

'Cum Laude' Certificate (40-42):

Manu Cantillo, Rylee Jewell, Liam Kenney

Ribbon + 'Magna Cum Laude' Certificate (43-45):

Tyler Gier, Landon Miller, Cailyn Youtsey

Silver Medal + 'Maxima Cum Laude' Certificate (46-47):

Jack Baker, Olivia Beltran, Kyan Gatewood, Bennett Kreeger, Kat Shuey, Madelyn Smith, Johnny Sumnar

Gold Medal + 'Summa Cum Laude' Certificate (48-50):

Liam Buckius, Ben Hofmann, Shriyan Masineni, John Trokan (perfect score!)

Summit Latin Students at the 2022 National Latin Convention

Four Summit students attended the National Junior Classical League convention July 24th - 30th on campus at the University of Louisiana at Lafayette. Irene Calderon '22, Aaron Fraley '26, Ryan Kenter '23 and Wali Khan '23 competed against other Latin students from around the country in Creative Arts, Graphic Arts, Academic Tests and Certamen.

Summit's Latin Club was recognized as the NJCL "Club of the Month" for both August/September and November of last school year, and the Club also won the "Photo of the Month" contest for September.

Ryan Kenter's Essay earned 7th place at the upper level and he placed well academically, finishing 26th on the Level IV Mythology test, 27th on Vocabulary, and 31st on both Mottoes and Roman Life. Ryan also competed in the swimming Olympika, finishing 6th in the 100-yard freestyle and 10th in the 50-yard butterfly.

As the OJCL Parliamentarian, Wali Khan attended all of the election events and led the Ohio delegation through the voting process.

Aaron Fraley excelled academically during the week, earning 8th place on the Mythology test, 9th in Ancient Geography and Hellenic History, 13th in Classical Greek Language, 14th in Roman History, 16th in Classical Art, 18th in the Academic Triathlon and Roman Life, and 29th in Reading Comprehension (all at Level I). Aaron also captained Ohio's 8th place Novice Certamen team, finishing the season with a strong semi-final performance against a tough Florida team.

Elected NJCL Historian last summer, Irene Calderon completed the duties of her office, documenting the convention and activities of the organization over the course of the last year. Irene is the first Summit student to be elected to national office, having previously served as the OJCL and NJCL Editors. [Here is her scrapbook for the year.](#)

MS/US Latin teacher Lisa Mays continued to serve in her capacity as OJCL State Chair of Students, advising the OJCL board as they led the Ohio delegation through the various activities and competitions.



2023 Ohio Junior Classical League Convention

350 students (and teachers, adults, and college students) from 25 Ohio schools attended the state competition March 10-12 in Columbus. Summit sent a delegation of 26 students to compete.

Summit placed 1st in Overall Points, 3rd in Total Per Capita Pts, and 6th in Academic Per Capita Pts. We earned 1105 total pts, Mercy McAuley was 2nd with 996, and Madeira came in 3rd with 705 pts.

The victory was a result of a consistent effort in all areas of competition: contests submitted before convention, creative arts performed at convention, graphic arts like models and mosaics, electronic competitions like the digital scrapbook and music video, and academic tests like derivatives and mythology. Other activities included general assemblies, a toga banquet, a Jeopardy-style game called certamen, a talent show, elections, service projects, and more.



The Summit Latin Team: 2023 Overall Points Champion!

The top point earners for Summit:

- ✓ Kori McLane – 128 points
- ✓ Ben Hofmann – 118
- ✓ Hana Conte – 81
- ✓ Claire Lavelle – 69
- ✓ Callie Fox – 54
- ✓ John Trokan – 53
- ✓ Ana Leyendecker – 48
- ✓ Alexis Lange – 45
- ✓ Cailyn Youtsey – 44
- ✓ Liv Mueller – 44
- ✓ Kyan Gatewood - 41

Summit in state leadership positions (for 24 consecutive years!)

- **Senior Wali Khan** finished his year as the Parliamentarian of the OJCL. He ran all election events and oversaw candidate speeches. Wali was also elected Parliamentarian of the Senior Classical League, the college students who help to run the annual convention.
- **Senior Ana Leyendecker** completed her tenure as the Secretary of the OJCL. She created the program which contained the schedule and full information about the convention and kept the official minutes of the General Assemblies.
- **Ryan Burns (Summit alumnus 2020)** was elected the President of the Senior Classical League, the college students who organize the certamen competition and proctor the academic test sessions. Ryan is a former President of the OJCL.
- **Tullus Dean (Summit alumnus 2017)** finished his first year as the State Chair of Convention and Technology. Tullus has a long history with the OJCL and has served on the student and college Executive Boards multiple years. He is in charge of the OJCL website and technology, and he coordinate with the hotel to provide the proper facilities for the state competition.
- **Teacher Lisa Mays (Summit alumna 2005)** completed her 5th year as the State Chair of Students. She mentors the state officers and guides them in their duties. She helps with the myriad of activities at convention.
- The Latin program is proud to be part of Summit's mission of **educating leaders of character since 1890!**



MS Latin Students: The Future Is Bright!

These students placed in the top 15 out of all 350 students at convention.

- **Kori McLane: 2nd Overall, 3rd in Graphic Arts**
- **Ben Hofmann: 3rd Overall, 2nd in Creative Arts, 3rd in Academics**
- **Hana Conte: 14th Overall, 4th in Creative Arts**

The Novice and Advanced Certamen team both made the Finals and finished 3rd.

- ❖ **Novice: Manu Cantillo, Ben Hofmann, Shriyan Masineni, Collin McGuire**
- ❖ **Advanced: Wali Khan, Ana Leyendecker, Kori McLane, Benny Penote**



Claire Lavelle and Kori McLane earned a Best of Show in the Costume Contest. Claire was Aeneas in the Underworld with the Golden Bough, and Kori was Charon, the boatman who carries souls over the river Styx.

The following students earned 'First Place' Awards (16 total):

- ✓ Hana Conte – Drawn Chart, Multimedia
- ✓ Callie Fox – Literature
- ✓ Kyan Gatewood – Tile Mosaic
- ✓ Ben Hofmann – Derivatives, Mythology, Pentathlon, Reading Comprehension, Latin Recitation, Sight Latin
- ✓ Tyler Gier – Bead Mosaic
- ✓ Ana Leyendecker – Poetry
- ✓ Kori McLane – Derivatives, Watercolor
- ✓ Cailyn Youtsey – Sculpture, Modern Myth



Parliamentarian Wali Khan



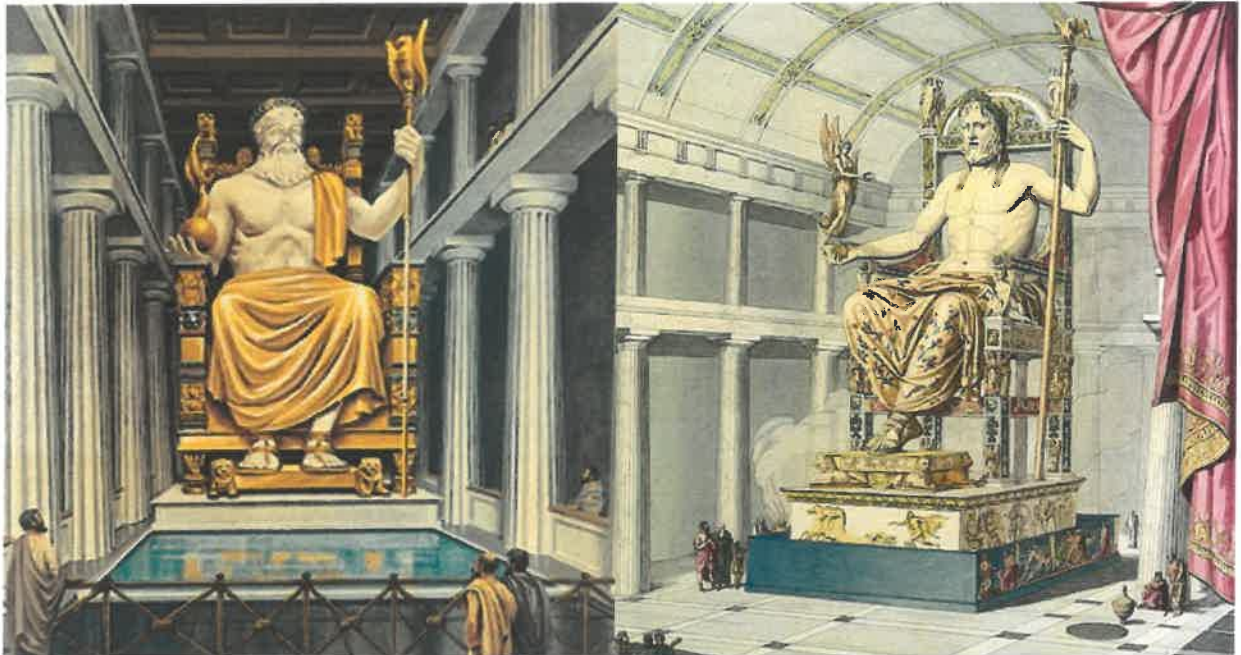
Secretary Ana Leyendecker and State Chair Lisa Mays

2023 Exploratory Latin Exam

Over 1000 students competed in the 19th annual Exploratory Latin Exam. Its purpose is to promote enthusiasm for the classical world in elementary and middle schools. The ELE is a 50-question multiple choice exam on derivatives, Roman life, mythology, art & architecture, etc. This year's exam included 10 'special topic' questions on 'The Seven Wonders of the Ancient Greek World.' Over 30% of Summit 6th graders earned an award.

Questions included:

- What is the opposite of *ita vērō*? (*minimē*)
- Which animal is often seen chasing a *mūs* and being chased by a *canis*? (*fēlēs*)
- *Hoc spectāculum habet flūmen et arborēs et flōres.* (*Hortī Babylōnis*)



The statue of Zeus at Olympia was one of the Seven Wonders. The gold and ivory sculpture was made by Phidias, the same person who created the statue of Athena in the Parthenon.

'Cum Laude' Certificate + Ribbon (35-39):

Parker Adams, Colton Bettcher, Lexy Beyerbach, Natalie Campbell,
Sophie Daniher, Marguerite Jackson, Charlie Jenkins, Cameron Kline,
Claudio Matos, Dallas Parker

'Magna Cum Laude' Certificate + Ribbon (40-45):

Henry Ahouse, Van Devendorf, Nico Palacio, Sofia Pancheri

'Summa Cum Laude' Certificate + Ribbon (46-49):

Olivia Miele, Alejandro Sharp (top Summit score!)

2023 Medusa Mythology Exam

The Medusa Mythology Exam is a 40-question multiple-choice test given every April to over 3,000 high school students from across the United States. This exam is challenging and requires a thorough knowledge of Greek mythology. The theme of this year's competition was 'The Ichor of Zeus.' This year's theme focused on the fully divine children of Zeus. Examples include:

- ✓ Hermes – the messenger of the gods who, on the day of his birth, stole the cattle of Apollo
- ✓ Dionysus – the god of wine who was born from Zeus' thigh
- ✓ Eileithyia – the goddess of childbirth and daughter of Hera

60% of Summit students earned an award this year.



Dionysus changed pirates into dolphins.

'Cum Laude' Certificate (21-23):

Chike Anusionwu, Emily Bolan, Jackson Busch, Hana Conte, Drew Hinton, Delaney Kintner, Alexis Lange, Benny Penote, Charlie Rahner, Eli Sparks

'Magna Cum Laude' Certificate + Ribbon (24-27):

Mia Cavallo, Alex Davies, Callie Fox, Aaron Fraley, Zaina Kamran, Maddie Mescher, Mia Rahner, Christopher Reuter, Lorenzo Rose

'Maxima Cum Laude' Certificate + Ribbon (28-32):

Wali Khan, Ethan Lam, Ana Leyendecker, Rowan Lavelle, Kori McLane, Maddie Sumnar

'Summa Cum Laude' Certificate + Ribbon (33-39):

Haley Baker, Alina Butcher, Sophia Nery (top Summit score!)



Over 3,600 students took the online **Classical Etymology Exam**. It was a 50 question, multiple choice exam. Its purpose is to test a student's knowledge of both Latin and Greek derivatives and their usage in the English language. 43% of Summit students earned awards.

Bronze Medal

Haley Baker, Hana Conte, Kanai Gillispie, Rylee Jewell, Landon Miller, Liv Mueller, Sam Parker, Benny Penote, Charlie Rahner, Grace Sabath, Johnny Sumnar, Cailyn Youtsey

Silver Medal

Jack Baker, Olivia Beltran, Emily Bolan, Jefferson Campbell, Kyan Gatewood, Tyler Gier, Bennett Kreeger, Andrew Lam, Ana Leyendecker, Collin McGuire, Abigayle Penote, Madelyn Smith, Kat Shuey

Gold Medal

Danny Beyerbach, Manu Cantillo, Aaron Fraley, Ben Hofmann, Kori McLane, Shriyan Masineni, Sophia Nery, Mia Rahner (top Summit score!), John Trokan

1,277 students took the online **Roman Civilization Exam**. It was a 70 question, multiple choice exam. 17% of Summit students earned an award.

Bronze Medal

Olivia Beltran, Callie Fox, Kyan Gatewood, Tyler Gier, Sophia Nery, Harper Wood, Cailyn Youtsey

Silver Medal

Aaron Fraley, Ben Hofmann, Shriyan Masineni, Kori McLane, Mia Rahner (top Summit score!), John Trokan

Over 2,000 students took the online **Latin Vocabulary Exam**. It was a 70 question, multiple choice exam. 20% of Summit students earned an award.

Bronze Medal

Olivia Beltran, Lowry Cavanaugh, Hana Conte, Kyan Gatewood,
Addison Golden, Shriyan Masineni, Christopher Reuter, Madelyn Smith,
Harper Wood

Silver Medal

Danny Beyerbach, Rowan Lavelle, Kori McLane, Sophia Nery, Kat Shuey

Gold Medal

Ben Hofmann



Ancient Roman aqueduct, Pont du Gard, France

Over 300 students took the online **Hellenic Civilization Exam**. It was a 50 question, multiple choice exam on all aspects of ancient Greek language, culture, history, and literature. Over 13% of Summit students earned an award.

Bronze Medal

Danny Beyerbach, Emily Bolan, Alina Butcher, Rowan Cosgrove,
Bennett Kreeger, Shriyan Masineni, Abigayle Penote, Charlie Rahner,
Mia Rahner

Silver Medal

Ben Hofmann



THE NATIONAL LATIN EXAM

Over 100,000 students from all 50 states and 13 foreign countries participated in the 47th 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. 7th-12th grade Latin students take this exam.

50% of Summit Students Earned Awards, and 13% Earned Gold Medals!

7th - 12th Grade Awards (with year of Latin + the number correct out of 40)

'Cum Laude' Certificate

Christian Basler (Intro 30), Liam Buckius (Intro 31), Jefferson Campbell (I 30),
Ambrose Cronican (II 27)

'Magna Cum Laude' Certificate

Olivia Beltran (Intro 34), Manu Cantillo (Intro 33), Mia Cavallo (IV 28),
Lowry Cavanaugh (II 29), Sam Hinton (II 29), Zaina Kamran (II 28), Andrew Lam (I 32),
Abigayle Penote (I 31), Lorenzo Rose (IV 29), Johnny Sumnar (I 33)

Silver Medal + 'Maxima Cum Laude' Certificate

Haley Baker (II 31), Emily Bolan (II 31), Hana Conte (II 30), Aaron Fraley (II 31),
Callie Fox (II 32), Shriyan Masineni (I 36), Rylee Jewell (I 36), Wali Khan (V 31),
Ethan Lam (IV 32), Alexis Lange (I 34), Ana Leyendecker (V 32), Kori McLane (III 33),
Charlie Rahner (II 33), Mia Rahner (V 31), Christopher Reuter (IV 30), Eli Sparks (IV 32)

Gold Medal + 'Summa Cum Laude' Certificate

Danny Beyerbach (I 38), Alina Butcher (III 34), Will Fox (Intro 38),
Kyan Gatewood (Intro 38), Ben Hofmann (Intro 40!), Rowan Lavelle (III 35),
Sophia Nery (III 35), Benny Penote (IV 33), Kat Shuey (I 40!),
Madelyn Smith (I 37), John Trokan (Intro 38)

Two Summit students earned a **Perfect Score** on the National Latin Exam! Less than 1% of Latin students achieve perfection on the exam, and it is therefore a great honor which earns them a **Special Certificate**.

Ben Hofmann (Intro Level) and Kat Shuey (Level I)

2023 NJCL Latin/Greek Honor Society

The Latin/Greek Honor Society is an honorary organization for students who have exhibited excellence in the study of the Latin/Greek 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 3 Latin-sponsored events (and a service event counts double!)

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

- I am a highly enthusiastic and passionate student of Latin and want to achieve high pursuits in Latin.
- I have attended Latin events like the movie nights, and they have helped me to understand the history of ancient Rome.
- I show enthusiasm for the optional exams and study hard for them.
- Latin is a fascinating language, and learning about the history and culture of ancient Rome is something I look forward to every class.
- I attended the Fall Forum and really enjoyed the talk given about women. I also attended Latin Convention and did very well on academic tests.
- This was my first-time attending convention in person, and I was very proud of myself for earning awards such as 3rd place on the Roman Life test.
- I started Latin last year and hope to take it in high school and even in college.
- I enjoy taking Latin because, although it is a dead language, it still has lots of relevance to everyday life.

2023 Honor Society Inductees

1st Year - Pin + Certificate

7th Grade: Olivia Beltran, Will Fox, Kyan Gatewood, Tyler Gier,
Ben Hofmann, John Trokan

9th Grade: Alexis Lange

10th Grade: Alina Butcher

2nd Year - Certificate

8th Grade: Madelyn Smith, Johnny Sumnar, Cailyn Youtsey

10th Grade: Ben Dobelhoff, Rowan Lavelle

3rd Year - Certificate

9th Grade: Callie Fox

4th Year - Certificate

10th Grade: Kori McLane, Maddie Mescher

2023 Members of Eta Sigma Phi (HΣΦ)

Eta Sigma Phi is a college-level academic fraternity which honors excellence in classical scholarship. This honorary organization is for the 'best of the best' of Latin students.

- **Vergilian Society Translation Contest:** Ana Leyendecker and Christopher Reuter won the Cum Laude Certificate of Commendation.
- **CAMWS Regional Translation Contest:** Sophia Nery and Mia Rahner earned the Book Award (Trēs Amīcī et Mōnstrum Saevum), and Irene Calderon, Jimmy Fraley, and Ana Leyendecker received the Letter of Commendation.

The 2023 Members (with new inductees/level italicized):

Induction Pin – Ana Leyendecker, *Sophia Nery*, *Christopher Reuter*

Large Silver Pin – *Mia Rahner*

Alumni of the Summit Chapter of Eta Sigma Phi

Induction Pin – Dustin Argo, Isa Bishop, Maliah Bricking, Carolyn Boyce, Kevin Boyce, Ben Bromley, Lennox Brooks, Michael Colina, Ellie Cooney, Dominic D'Alonzo, Chris Daniell, Julia Dean, Tullus Dean, Davis DeFoor, Anna Delamerced, Joseph Delamerced, Tim Eschenbacher, William Eschenbacher, Jimmy Fraley, Steve Haag, Carter Hall, Brandon Harris, Emily Haussler, Alexis Hogya, Jeannette Holm, Stefan Kathman, Tim Keck, Chris Lapp, Chris Lee, Alex Marcellus, Kelly McBride, William McLane, Margaret Niehaus-Sauter, Joey Oakwood, Nathan Patterson, Daniel Rachovitsky, Catherine Schuler, Paul Slater, Michael Warden

Large Silver – Matt Ahlgren, Ryan Burns, Irene Calderon, Jesse Campbell, Jason Carreon Chua, Tino Delamerced, Jared Dunnmon, Philip Hall, Cecilia Hasan, Emily Hogya, Tracy Moore II, Bobby Oakwood, Mia Rahner

2023 National Greek Exam –

Over 140 schools in the US and other countries participated in the National Greek Exam. This competition is designed to promote the study of ancient Greek in secondary schools. The exam consists of multiple-choice questions on 2 extended passages from ancient Greek authors.

- Green 'Merit' Ribbon – Eli Sparks
- Red 'High Honor' Ribbon – Wali Khan, Ana Leyendecker
- Blue 'Highest Honors' Ribbon – Mia Rahner (top Summit score!)

2023 Academic Achievement Awards

These awards honor the top students in each level who have maintained an outstanding academic average and displayed a serious dedication to Latin. (Candy and Summit Latin pen!)

6th Grade: Olivia Miele, Enya Renfrow, Alejandro Sharp

Latin ½: Ben Hofmann

Latin I: Cailyn Youtsey, Alexis Lange

Latin II: Hana Conte

Latin III: Kori McLane

Latin IV: Benny Penote

Greek: Wali Khan, Ana Leyendecker, Mia Rahner