

OHIO JUNIOR CLASSICAL LEAGUE CONVENTION

PARTICIPANT AGREEMENT AND GENERAL RELEASE FROM LIABILITY

**NOTICE – THIS IS A LEGAL DOCUMENT THAT CONTAINS A GENERAL RELEASE.
It should be read carefully and understood fully before signing.**

In consideration for being permitted to participate in the Ohio Junior Classical League’s annual State Convention (the “**Convention**”), I, on behalf of myself and/or the undersigned student (the “**Student**”), acknowledge and agree that:

1. **Consent/Permission.** I voluntarily agree to participate in the Convention and/or, as the parent or legal guardian of the undersigned Student, I hereby give permission for that Student to participate in the Convention (hereafter the Student and I are collectively referred to as the “**Participant**”).
2. **Assumption of the Risk.** Ohio Junior Classical League (“**OJCL**”) does not maintain health insurance for injuries to Participant that may arise out of involvement in the Convention and does not provide supervision for Participant before or after the Convention. Participant is physically able to participate in the Convention, and I know of no physical or psychological impairments that would in any manner limit Participant’s participation in the Convention. I understand that, by virtue of participation in the Convention, Participant risks illness, bodily injury and possible death, including those injuries that result from the circumstances or actions of persons who are not employees or agents of OJCL. I expressly and knowingly assume all such risk.
3. **Waiver and Release.** On behalf of myself, my child, and my and/or their heirs successors, assigns, executors, and administrators, I hereby release, indemnify, hold harmless and promise not to sue OJCL, its board members, officers, staff and/or volunteers, including but not limited to State Chairs and their appointed assistants (collectively, “**Released Parties**”) from or regarding any and all liability, claims, demands and causes of action of whatever kind or nature, either in law or in equity, arising out of or relating to Participant’s participation in and/or travel to and from the Convention, including but not limited to any claim for bodily or psychological injury personal injury, illness, death or economic or emotional loss, or property damage, regardless of whether caused in whole or in part by an act or omission of a Released Party.
4. **Medical Treatment.** If the Participant requires any emergency medical procedures or treatments while participating in the Convention, I consent to the Released Parties taking, arranging for, or consenting to the procedures or treatments in their discretion. I hereby release the Released Parties from and against any and all claims and liability arising from or related to the provision, authorization and administration of medical treatment, services and medication to the Participant in accordance with this provision.
5. **Rules and Code of Conduct.** Participant has read and agrees to abide by the Convention Rules and Code of Conduct (the “**Rules**”) attached hereto as **Attachment 1**. I understand that violations of these Rules may result in immediate expulsion from the Convention at the sole discretion of an OJCL State Chair and/or the hotel or other venue at which the Convention is

being held. If Participant is dismissed for a violation of the Rules, Participant agrees to leave the Convention premises and return home at Participant's expense.

6. **Media Release.** I grant OJCL permission to photograph, videotape, or otherwise record by visual, audio, electronic or manual means, the visual likeness and/or voice or other sounds created by Participant (collectively "**Reproductions**"). I further grant the Released Parties all right, title and interest in the Reproductions, including but not limited to the right to use Participant's name and any Reproductions in any and all publications, advertisements or promotions in print, television, online and any other media without compensation to Participant. This consent is irrevocable and is without payment. The Reproductions will become the property of OJCL, and I will have no ownership interest in the Reproductions.
7. **Governing Law.** I expressly agree that this Waiver and General Release is intended to be as broad and inclusive as permitted by the laws of the State of Ohio and that if any portion of this Waiver and General Release is held invalid or unenforceable, it is agreed that the balance of this Waiver and General Release shall, notwithstanding, continue in full legal force and effect.
8. **Knowing and Voluntary Execution.** I HAVE CAREFULLY READ THIS AGREEMENT AND FULLY UNDERSTAND ITS CONTENTS. I AM AWARE THAT THIS IS A CONTRACT AND A RELEASE OF LIABILITY BETWEEN MYSELF AND OJCL. I SIGN THIS AGREEMENT OF MY OWN FREE WILL. BY MY SIGNATURE BELOW, I CERTIFY THAT I AM AT LEAST 18 YEARS OF AGE.

Student Name (Print): _____

Student Signature: _____ Date: _____

If Student is under age 18:

Parent/ Guardian Name (Print) _____ Relationship _____

Parent/Guardian Signature _____ Date: _____

Attachment 1

Rules and Code of Conduct

Each Student is expected to conduct themselves in a mature and responsible manner during Convention. The first person who is responsible for your conduct is YOU. Everyone is encouraged to have a good time and enjoy the experience, so we ask that you refrain from behavior that will prevent others around you from enjoying their time at Convention too! Simply said, attendance is a privilege, not a right. In extreme cases, if an individual's or group's behavior is deemed to be unacceptable, OJCL reserves the right to require that the offender(s) return home at their own expense.

Rules and expectations that each Convention Attendee shall observe:

1. Curfew for Student Delegates is 12:30 A.M. and may be enforced by ANY Sponsor, Chaperone, or Hotel Staff Member. All Students (except Executive Board Officers) shall be in - and stay in - their respective assigned rooms after that time.
2. Delegates are not permitted to change rooms without the prior consent of BOTH their Sponsor and a State Chair.
3. Delegates are reminded that ALL Sponsors, SCLers, and Chaperones serve as monitors during the Convention on behalf of OJCL, and each Delegate shall show respect for them and comply with their instructions.
4. Behavior that disturbs other guests will not be tolerated. Delegates should remember that they are representing OJCL, their school, and themselves.
5. Use or possession by any Convention Delegate of alcohol or illegal drugs (including marijuana) is prohibited.
6. Any illegal activity, including (but not limited to) gambling, lotteries, betting activities for profit, or other activity in violation of Local, State, or Federal Laws will be reported to the local Authorities and School Officials.
7. There shall be no smoking by Student Delegates during Convention. (We ask any Adult who chooses to smoke to do so in designated smoking areas or to refrain in general.)
8. General Assembly Attendance is mandatory for all Delegates, including commuters, unless otherwise indicated in the Program.
9. Only persons attending Convention may participate in contests or Convention activities of any kind.
10. Nametags issued at registration shall be worn visibly at all times. You will not be permitted to participate in a TEST or CONTEST or other events without your nametag clearly visible

(Creative Contest competitors must have their tags with them and wear them when not being judged for competition.)

11. Students having access to vehicles at Convention is **STRONGLY** discouraged. Any student who drives his or her own car to Convention must have written permission from both Sponsor and Parent to drive and/or leave the hotel premises during Convention. Absent such permission, students are prohibited from leaving the hotel during Convention. Students riding in a vehicle driven by a student **MUST** have written consent of **BOTH** their Sponsor and Parent to ride in the specific vehicle. Sponsors are highly encouraged to collect car keys.
12. Neat school clothes are appropriate attire for everyone. Classical costumes are required for the Roman Banquet. Dressing in hotel sheets is not permitted.
13. It is not permitted to put campaign posters/fliers on the walls. Stickers are not allowed. Campaign materials can be handed out to delegates. OJCL reserves the right to review any and all campaign material prior to its being displayed. Inappropriate or slanderous materials will not be permitted.
14. Any missing or damaged articles/property will be charged to your chapter and ultimately to you. Any additional charges to your room will be charged to your school.
15. During testing sessions, you may not sit adjacent to individuals with the same color nametag as your own. You **SHALL NOT** request assistance from a Sponsor/Chaperone from your Club. Use of any outside sources, including smart watches and opening additional tabs/windows, during any competition is prohibited.
16. Officers and those assisting the OJCL Officers are not responsible for individual attendee's actions and are not responsible for damages related to those actions by individual attendees.
17. Students must not misuse the elevators with overcrowding, continuous riding, horseplay, etc.
18. Use of the pool is prohibited throughout Convention.