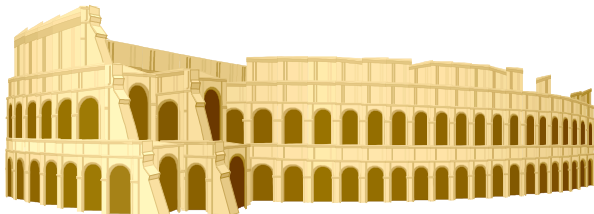


THE JUNIOR CLASSICAL LEAGUE

The extra-curricular club at PHS for students of Latin is called the **Junior Classical League**. Our local chapter is a member of the **National Junior Classical League** as well as the **Georgia Junior Classical League**.

We participate in local and state Certamen competitions. We also attend the Georgia Junior Classical League's Fall Forum every Fall and State convention every Spring.

A locally developed component of JCL that has become very popular over the years are Gladiator Fights. Twice a month we gather after school in the cafeteria, on mats, and engage in "the fights."



LATIN COURSES AT PHS

Latin 1—Introduction to Latin language, listening, reading, writing, speaking, modern and ancient!

Latin 2— open to all students who pass Latin 1. Continues the introduction of Latin structures and vocabulary. Exploration of Latin stories through the ages, with activities in speaking, reading and writing Latin, modern and ancient!

Latin 3—Honors Level Work, open to all students who pass Latin 2. Focuses on specific works of Latin literature, from letters to stories, to poetry of all kinds with activities in speaking, reading and writing Latin, modern and ancient!

Latin 4—Honors Level Work, open to all students who pass Latin 3. Selected authors from Latin poetry and prose, which may change from year to year and include new works of Latin like *Harrius Potter*.

Latin 5—Honors Level work, open to all students who pass Latin 3 and who want a class taught more like a university level course. Some emphasis on grammar and research.

The Seal of Biliteracy can be earned in Latin with 4 years of Latin, an over all B average in Latin and Language Arts, and a score of Intermediate 4 or higher on the ALIRA Latin Reading Proficiency test.

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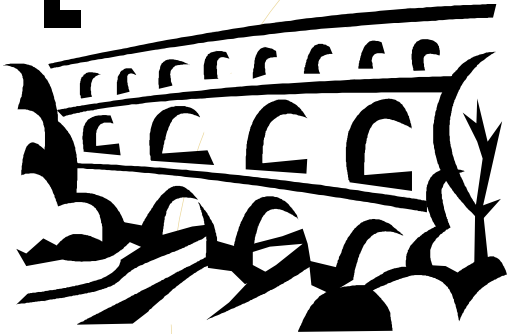
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WHY TAKE LATIN?



CONSIDER STUDYING LATIN

Who studies Latin nowadays?

- Students who “want to know”.
- Students who plan to continue their schooling after graduating from high school.
- Students who like words.
- Students who want to increase their ability to communicate with other people.
- Students who like to read.
- Students who like to know, and to know that they know.
- Students who can analyze parts and put them into a whole that makes sense.
- Students who like mythology.
- Students who are interested in comparing old times with modern times.
- Students interested in learning Spanish, French, Italian, Portuguese, Romanian, and/or other Romance languages.
- Students considering possible careers in law, medicine, science, writing, teaching, business, banking, politics, international relations, and a host of others—even astrology!

POSSIBLE IMPACT ON SAT

Studies conducted by the Educational Testing Service show that Latin students consistently perform very high on the verbal portion of the Scholastic Assessment Test (SAT). You should also note that **ALL students** who study languages score higher than the national average.

	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Latin	647	651	662	665	665	666	672	674
All Stu-	505	505	505	505	506	504	507	508
French	623	627	632	636	633	637	638	642
German	624	617	623	621	625	622	626	627
Spanish	581	583	590	589	583	581	575	575
Hebrew	629	634	636	623	628	629	628	630

1997-2004 Taken from Tables 7-3 & 7-4 in College-Bound Seniors— A Profile of SAT Program Test Takers.

Recent scores repeat and confirm this data.



Besides direct contact with some of the best minds in the ancient world who helped shape Western Civilization, people who have studied Latin claim some side benefits.

1. Bigger and better English vocabularies.
2. Higher verbal SAT scores.
3. Acceptance into good colleges and universities.
4. Sensitivity to language, people and cultures.
5. A expanded sense of history.
6. New interest in things not previously considered until they studied Latin.
7. A deeper connection to cultures as expressed in literature, art, sports, philosophy, religion, science, economics and politics.