

**2023 Spring Conference  
Michigan Junior Classical League**

# **MJCL**

## **SPRING CONVENTION**

**"THEY WHO RUSH ACROSS THE SEA**



**CHANGE THEIR SKY, NOT THEIR SOUL."**

- KEYNOTE ADDRESS • ACADEMIC TESTING • OLYMPIKA •
- MYTHOLOGY COSTUME CONTEST • LATIN ORATORY • QUIZ BOWL •
- CREATIVE ARTS COMPETITION • SCHOLARSHIP INTERVIEWS •

**★ SATURDAY, APRIL 29, 2023 ★  
★ EAST GRAND RAPIDS HS ★**

### Featuring

- Keynote Address
- Colloquia Sessions, featuring prestigious faculty from MI colleges/universities
- Open Certamen (Quiz Bowl)
- Olympika
- Academic Testing for Awards:
  - Mythology, Derivatives, Grammar, Vocabulary, Roman Culture
- Mythology Costume Contest
- Oratory Competition
- Creative Arts Contest
- [Scholarship Interviews](#)

Saturday, April 29

9:30/10AM-4PM

East Grand Rapids High School

**\$20/REGULAR REGISTRATION** (DUE BY APRIL 23, 2023)

INCLUDES ALL ACTIVITIES AND AWARDS

Contact Michigan MJCL ([michiganMJCL@gmail.com](mailto:michiganMJCL@gmail.com)) with questions and send registration to 7101 Lahser Rd Bloomfield Hills MI 48301 % Reed DeMarco

**2023 MJCL Spring Conference**  
**Saturday, April 29**

Preliminary Schedule of Events

9:30-10:00	Check-in; Pick up school packet and programs; Drop off your art
10:00-11:00	Assembly: Introductions, Roll Call Skits Keynote address
11:00-12:00	Academic Testing
12-12:30	Lunch
12:40-1:20	Colloquia A (40 minute sessions) Oratory Contest HS Certamen Preliminaries
1:20-2:00	Colloquia B (40 minute sessions) HS Certamen Preliminaries MS Certamen Contest
2:00-2:45	Olympika Games
2:45-3:45	Assembly, Costume Contest, HS Certamen Finals
3:45-4:00	Closing Remarks [awards may be mailed to allow for grading]

**2023 SPRING CONFERENCE REGISTRATION FORM**  
**April 29, 2023**

School:

\_\_\_\_\_

School Address:

\_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip code: \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsor: \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsor's phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Sponsor's email: \_\_\_\_\_

**REGULAR REGISTRATION (due April 15, 2023)**

# \_\_\_\_\_ Number of **students** attending @ \$20 per student =  
\$ \_\_\_\_\_

# \_\_\_\_\_ Number of **teachers and chaperones** attending @ \$10 per attendee  
\$ \_\_\_\_\_

Additional dues:

# \_\_\_\_\_ Additional dues (\$1/student) paid for those not already registered =  
\$ \_\_\_\_\_

*Submit list of new members. Send MJCL \$1 each. (Send NJCL \$2 directly.)*

**Total amount of check (payable to: Michigan Junior Classical League) =**  
**\$ \_\_\_\_\_**

Obtain **ONE CHECK** per school registration, payable to: Michigan Junior Classical League.  
Please be prompt with payment to secure food, rentals, etc. Send this 2023 MJCL conference  
check to:

Mr. Reed DeMarco  
Brother Rice High School  
7101 Lahser Rd  
Bloomfield Hills, MI 48301

## REGISTRATION

Please list the names, grades (6-12) , and levels (Latin I- IV) for the students who are attending.

School Name \_\_\_\_\_

Names of adult chaperones attending from your school:

*(One adult chaperone per 10 high school students and one per 6 middle school students.)*

1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_

4. \_\_\_\_\_

Names of two students who will do the roll call skit at the AM Assembly:

1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

**Formal list of students attending.** Please specify name and level of Latin. Email a list by April 22 to Michigan MJCL ([michiganMJCL@gmail.com](mailto:michiganMJCL@gmail.com))



## OPEN CERTAMEN REGISTRATION

Name	Grade
Latin Level	
1. _____	_____
2. _____	_____
3. _____	_____
4. _____	_____
5. _____	_____
6. _____	_____
7. _____	_____
8. _____	_____
9. _____	_____
10. _____	_____
11. _____	_____
12. _____	_____
13. _____	_____
14. _____	_____
15. _____	_____

Email this form to:

- Dr. Brad McNellen (High School Certamen), [bmcnellen@dcds.edu](mailto:bmcnellen@dcds.edu) by **APRIL 22**

## CREATIVE ARTS CONTEST

Students bring in items made *during this school year* for competition. The following categories and criteria for the Graphic Arts contests are:

- **Audio/Visual (50 points)**
  - Adherence to Classical Theme (5)
  - Skillful Development of Theme (5)
  - Adherence to Rules (10)
  - Technical Quality (10)
  - Content (10)
  - Overall Effect (10)
  
- **Computer Programs (50 points)**
  - Originality/Creativity (5)
  - Adherence to Classical Theme (5)
  - Ease of Running (10)
  - Degree of Skill (5)
  - Content (5)
  - Adherence to Rules (5)
  - Overall Effect (15)
  
- **Modern Myth (100 points)**
  - Classical Allusion/Reference (20)
  - Originality/Creativity (20)
  - Theme (central idea or purpose) (15)
  - Style (tone, coherence, etc.) (10)
  - Mechanics (accuracy in usage, grammar, spelling) (15)
  - Overall Effect (20)
  
- **Maps, Charts and Posters, Illustrated Booklets (50 points)**
  - Originality/Creativity (5)
  - Degree of Skill (5)
  - Design and Color (5)
  - Accuracy/Authenticity (5)
  - Adherence to Classical Theme (5)
  - Neatness (5)
  - Correct English/Latin (5)
  - Adherence to Rules (5)
  - Overall Effect (10)
  
- **Paintings, Drawings, Textiles, Pottery, Models, 2D Non-Graphic Art, Games (50 points)**
  - Originality/Creativity (5)
  - Degree of Skill (5)
  - Design and Color (5)
  - Accuracy/Authenticity (5)
  - Adherence to Classical Theme (5)
  - Neatness (5)
  - Adherence to Rules (5)
  - Overall Effect (15)



## MYTHOLOGY COSTUME CONTEST

Theme for 2023-2023:

*A Journey to the Underworld: The Sixth Book of Virgil's Aeneid*

Characters are the same ones which were chosen by National JCL committee for the summer 2023 convention. Contestants will create a costume representing the mythological character. Students will be expected to make a brief statement about the costume and how it related to the character. They should have knowledge of the character and should speak about the color of the costume, props, etc. selected for the costume. The contestant should make his/her own costume. Creativity will include the student's imaginative use of materials to make the costume and props. The costume is rated on the following criteria:

Authenticity	45 points
Neatness	12 points
Attractiveness	8 points
Craftsmanship	20 points
Creativity	5 points
Overall effectiveness	10 points

The cost of the costume must not exceed \$35/person, excluding tax. The value of all items (including borrowed items, shoes, jewelry, etc.) must be included in the \$35.

A description of the costume including particulars concerning costume construction, color, materials, reasons for use of these materials, and workmanship may be given to the judges at the time of the presentation. Only the person or persons involved in the costume contest may be present at the presentation and judging. A contestant may enter only one category. More information [here](#).

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

School: \_\_\_\_\_

Costume (check one):      \_\_\_\_\_ Female      \_\_\_\_\_ Male      \_\_\_\_\_ Couple

Level of Latin: \_\_\_\_\_      Grade: \_\_\_\_\_      Total cost of costume: \_\_\_\_\_

Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Please email one form for each student who wishes to create a special mythology-related costume to Mrs. Liz Brady ([ebrady@dcds.edu](mailto:ebrady@dcds.edu)) by April 22, 2023.

## OLYMPIKA EVENT SIGN-UP

Try to involve different students as much as possible. Students may NOT participate in every event.

**Mummy Wrap:** MS and HS combined. Two students wrap one student with one large (double) roll of toilet paper from head to toe until the paper is gone. We provide the toilet paper. ONE team per school.

1. The Mummy: \_\_\_\_\_

2. Wrapper #1: \_\_\_\_\_

3. Wrapper #2: \_\_\_\_\_

**Discus Throw:** Separate MS and HS events. Aim for the center of the circle. THREE students per school.

1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_

**Mythology Relay Race:** Separate MS and HS events. ONE TEAM per school.

1. Lap One: \_\_\_\_\_

2. Lap Two: \_\_\_\_\_

3. Lap Three: \_\_\_\_\_

4. Lap Four: \_\_\_\_\_

**Arachnid Crawl:** Separate MS and HS events. Must go around the cone and back without touching the cone. Must keep on all fours (backwards). THREE students per school.

1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_

Email to Mr. Jason Albaugh ([jason.albaugh@gmail.com](mailto:jason.albaugh@gmail.com)) by April 22, 2023.

## ORATORY CONTEST

Students will be using the oratory selections for the upcoming NJCL convention this summer.

Directions on oratory preparation are on the [National JCL website](#).

### MJCL Dramatic Interpretation/Oratory Entry Form

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

School \_\_\_\_\_

(home school check here \_\_\_\_\_)

Teacher/Sponsor \_\_\_\_\_

Level of Latin study \_\_\_\_\_ Grade level in  
school \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Entering Boys' Interpretive

\_\_\_\_\_ Entering Girls' Interpretive

\_\_\_\_\_ Entering Oratory

Please submit this entry form to [michiganmjcl@gmail.com](mailto:michiganmjcl@gmail.com)

**2023 LEVY SCHOLARSHIP  
APPLICATION**

This year, we are pleased to offer one *David Levy Scholarship* of \$500 (or possibly multiple awards at the discretion of the chairperson(s)) to a student who is:

- in financial need to attend college
- planning to study Latin (does not necessarily need to go into teaching)
- a senior planning to attend college in the fall
- actively involved in MJCL
- completing a 3<sup>rd</sup> or 4<sup>th</sup> year of Latin at the high school level

Students must include a student letter, teacher recommendation, and a parent letter with each application. Students who do not submit these documents will not be interviewed. There may be additional funds available should multiple applicants apply as deemed appropriate by the panel.

Full name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_

Zip code: \_\_\_\_\_

School: \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher: \_\_\_\_\_

Cumulative GPA: \_\_\_\_\_ Years studying Latin in high school: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you plan to teach Latin? \_\_\_\_\_ Study Latin in college? \_\_\_\_\_

College which you plan to attend? \_\_\_\_\_

Program or curriculum? \_\_\_\_\_

Attached to this application you must include:

- List of all active participation in Latin and JCL (awards, offices held, dates of attendance, etc.).
- Student letter to committee stating reasons for applying for scholarship.
- Latin teacher or JCL sponsor recommendation letter.
- Parent letter stating any circumstances necessitating financial need.

Applicant signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Applications are due to Mr. Reed DeMarco ([reeddemarco@gmail.com](mailto:reeddemarco@gmail.com)) no later than April 22, 2023. Interviews could take place via zoom ahead of the meeting, though applicant should attend conference to be considered for the award.