

The Well-Trained Mind Academy  
**Latin Club**

**Course Blackboard site:** wtma.blackboard.com

**Required Texts**

- For more information about the National Junior Classical League and its offerings, visit [www.njcl.org](http://www.njcl.org).
- For more information about the National Latin Exam, including detailed syllabi, visit [www.nle.org](http://www.nle.org)

Additional texts, readings, videos, and audio files will be provided for the students on Blackboard, either as PDFs or links.

**Course Description**

The Latin Club is designed to explore additional topics of interest to Latin students, such as Roman history, mythology, daily life, mottoes and abbreviations used today, as well as additional vocabulary. The club will meet every other week for one hour, and meetings will be recorded. Students participating in Latin Club will be members of the National Junior Classical League (NJCL), one of the largest student organizations in the country, and will be able to take advantage of the many activities, contests and scholarships offered by NJCL.

Latin Club prepares students for the National Latin Exam (NLE), an annual test of forty questions administered online in the spring. To succeed on the NLE, students should also be taking a Latin class, as the club alone will not cover the language instruction needed for best results on the exam. The Latin classes offered by WTMA do cover the necessary language requirements. WTMA Latin Club is open to all students.

**Expectations for the Class**

- Class meets every other week.
- Designed for grades 7-12.
- Outside students must be receiving regular Latin instruction to be successful in the National Latin Exam.

**Example Schedule:**

<b>Fall Sessions</b>	<b>Topic Explored</b>
Week 1	Introduction
Week 2	Gods/Goddesses/Mythology
Week 3	History: Troy to Aeneas/Odysseus
Week 4	History: Kings, Republic (politics), Empire
Week 5	Geography
Week 6	Housing, Meals, Clothing
Week 7	City of Rome, Entertainment, Baths
Week 8	Numbers and Saturnalia

<b>Spring Sessions</b>	<b>Topic Explored</b>
Week 1	Conversational/Classroom Latin
Week 2	Modern Words in Latin, Colors, Animals
Week 3	NLE Review Week
Week 4	Inscriptions and Graffiti
Week 5	Curse Tablets
Week 6	Ancient Greek
Week 7	Happy Birthday Rome! Festivals and Holidays
Week 8	Roman Technology