

Seventh Grade Latin

Overview for Parents

Teacher: Dr. Evelyn Lechner

Content Goals

We will begin the Latin course with a review of English and Latin grammatical constructs. Students will learn the way to analyze Latin sentences by finding the parts of speech. In this way students will be ready for longer and more complicated Latin pieces they will have to translate in higher Latin courses. The textbook *Latin for the New Millennium* uses short readings in order to introduce new concepts and students will be able to read short stories in Latin from the first week of class. The study of Latin grammar and vocabulary will be pursued rigorously. By the end of 7th grade Latin students should master at least 220 words in the textbook, which will be also supplemented with readings from other sources. We will cover the first, second, and third declension as well as the first, second, third, and fourth conjugation of verbs, the adjectives of all three declensions, all tenses except the future perfect, some irregular verbs, conjunctions and pronouns. English readings will cover various aspects of Roman history and culture, and medieval monks' texts in Latin and English will encourage vocabulary acquisition and help students see another aspect of the use of Latin in more recent times. This course meets three times per week.

Expectations for Students

Individual and class expectations are presented orally and are posted in the classroom. Daily participation and preparation are essential parts of students' classroom experience and will be reflected in the final grade. The grade breakdown is as follows: tests 40%, quizzes 20%, homework 20%, and projects 20%.

Homework Requirements

Homework should be written in pencil, in cursive, and handed in the next class period. All homework assignments will be reviewed as a class in order to ensure each student understands the lesson in question.

Contacting the Teacher

I encourage you to communicate with me about your child's progress. Students should be encouraged to contact me in advance if they anticipate a problem with a due date. I can be reached by e-mail at evelyn.lechner@crossroadsacademy.org and by phone at (603) 795-3111 ext. 230.



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