# <u>LUDI OLYMPICI</u>

Here's a chance to burn off a little energy after written tests and to be a little silly. They are relay/team races for 2-4 students while doing various silly things. You don't have to participate but the more people who do, the more fun. There are prizes for this event too.

Oedipus Hopping Race Scipio skipping race Achilles Heel Handicap Aeneas/Anchises Escape from Troy Janus 2-headed race Hannibal and his Elephants Cross the Alps Ben Hur Chariot Race Nuntius Relay Sisyphean rock rolling Atalanta and Hippomenes Horatii vs. Curiatii Horatius at the bridge







Latin students participating in the Ludi Olympici, Hannibal and the elephants and Ben-Hur events

### Schedule January 18th, 2025

9:00-9:05sign-in and name tags
9:05-9:10schedule run-down
9:15-10:00written test one
10:05-10:45 preliminary certamen rounds
10:50-11:50ludi olympici
11:55-12:30lunch
12:35-1:05intro/level I final round certamen
1:10-1:40written test two
1:45-2:45mini-session
2:50-3:15level II final round certamen
3:15-3:40level III+ final round certamen
3:40-4:00prizes and pictures

## WHAT IS THE LUDI?

The Ludi Romani is an event for Latin students to have fun and show what they know about Latin and the Roman culture. There are quiz bowl competitions, individual written tests, mini-sessions and ludi Olympici.

#### ORAL CERTAMEN: BY TEAMS

Oral certamen is a chance for you and your friends to team up and show what you know about grammar, mythology, culture and history. Your team will compete against other teams from the same level. A moderator will ask a question and give your teams a reasonable time to discuss and write down your answer(s). After the allotted time, all teams with the correct answer will earn a point. The preliminary round is held in the morning.



Teams with the most points will advance to the FINAL round in the afternoon.



Team members will win medals for placing first, second and third.

#### MINI-SESSIONS:

Mini-sessions are opportunities to explore more about Roman culture. During this hour, you can choose to chat with a Roman optio, to paint a vase with a mythological theme, learn some Ancient Greek, play Roman board games, learn Roman script and make a scroll, make a Roman cameo, converse in Latin (don't worry, we'll help), make a mosaic, make a model of the Colosseum or a Roman soldier, cook some Roman food (and eat it) or make a Roman theater mask. (The cost for this is included in your registration.)



Roman cursive script



Roman mosaic making

#### WRITTEN CERTAMEN: INDIVIDUAL

There are 6 tests to choose from and you will take two. You compete against students who have had the same amount of Latin as you. There are grammar and comprehension, mythology, word derivation, Roman life and customs, Roman history and Roman geography. The tests are multiple choice and have 40-50 questions.



Students win gold, silver and bronze medals for first, second and third place



There are three levels for the tests: Intro, Level I and Level II.