Pennsylvania
Junior Classical League

Questionnaire and Information Sheet for Candidates Running for a PAJCL Office

Name:

School:

School District:

Level of Latin Study:

Previous Local or State JCL Offices Held:

Office sought:

Are you currently taking a classical language?

Will you be taking a classical language next year?

Are you a current JCL member in good standing, registered with PAJCL and NJCL?

Will you be a JCL member next year?

Will you be able to complete your term of office for the 2026-2027 school year while in high school?

Have you attended a previous State or National Junior Classical League Convention? If not, please provide a reason.

Do your parents support this application? Please write their name and email here:

Does your chapter sponsor support this application? Please write their name and email here:

Will you be able to attend the mandatory monthly online PAJCL Executive Board meetings?

Please answer the following questions. Your answers may not be more than 2 sentences in length for each question.

- Why did you choose to run for your specific position?
- Why do you feel that you are the most qualified candidate for the position?
- What do you hope to do to improve PAJCL?
- How have you been involved in PAJCL and your local chapter?
- What is one thing that other people may not know about you?
- Why did you choose to study Latin?
- How does your study of Latin impact your everyday life?
- What do you find special about PAJCL?
- Have you held any leadership positions in the past? If so, what were they?
- What drives you to continue studying Latin and the Classics?
- What does Latin Convention mean to you?
- What is your favorite part of Latin Convention?
- Are there changes that you might like to see at Latin Convention? In PAJCL in general?
- What ideas do you have about the Executive Board?
- How should we work to have more schools join JCL?
- How do you reach out to students who are not from your own chapter?

Additional Office-Specific Recommendations to Include in your Application:

President:

- Propose some ideas for a state theme for Convention.
- Demonstrate full administrative support at their school for hosting and conducting Saturnalia festivities for local schools (perhaps a letter from your principal, or details about the procedures you would need to follow to host an event).
- Provide a sample welcome article introducing themselves as the new state leader.

Vice President of Membership:

- Provide two samples of statewide engagement activities (e.g., PowerPoint presentation, Kahoot game, online contest).
- Present a concrete plan for engaging schools that are not currently part of PAJCL.

Vice President of Public Relations:

- Provide an example demonstrating website or media skills. (Create a mock website for Hercules, which will show such skills as linking media, organization, and presenting information in an accessible and easily comprehendible format. Provide a promotional poster for Saturnalia, make a calendar of Instagram posts for 3 months)
- Propose six themes for the Chapter of the Month contests.
- Provide a sample PAJCL chant.

Parliamentarian:

- Propose a plan to execute the Convention charity fundraising project.
- Identify the charity they believe PAJCL should support, provide justification, initiate contact, and include the charity's contact person and number.

Secretary / Historian:

- Indicate the preferred format for minute-taking.
- Propose six Photo of the Month themes related to Classical topics.

Keystone Editor:

- Submit a sample of previously published work in Keystone or an article based on the theme Roman Mystery.
- Create a mock of the newspaper about Roman Historical Events around 509 BC in the format of your choosing.

Please return this questionnaire to both PAJCL Constitutional Chairperson Magistra Suzadail and PAJCL Parliamentarian Sohum Bandyopadhyay by midnight on **Friday, May 8, 2026**. You may submit your application as a Word document, a PDF, or a Google Doc. If your document cannot be opened and read, it will not be considered. Be sure to include your parent / guardian and your Latin / Greek / Classical Studies teacher as well.

Emails are:

- ✔ Magistra Suzadail at pajcl.constitution@gmail.com
- ✔ Sohum Bandyopadhyay at pajcl.parliamentarian@gmail.com
- ✔ The magistra / magister / magistris who is the sponsor for your PAJCL chapter, or the PAJCL State Chair Veronica Vladimirova-Cambria (pajcl.chairperson@gmail.com) if you are a Member at Large.
- ✔ Your parent or legal guardian.