

TSJCL STATE CONVENTION

The Texas Junior Classical League held its State Convention at Atascocita High School in Humble on April 11th and 12th. The 38 students who represented Westlake brought home 6th place out of 90 schools, the highest score in the Austin area. The following awards were given:

Latin Derivatives: Garrett Hansen, Level II, 5th; Nora Burdis, Level III, 10th; Kathryn Betts, Level IV, 6th

Vocabulary: Roopali Sharma, Level I, 10th; Alice Chang, Level II, 3rd; Amber Witt, Level III, 2nd; Michelle Hayner, Level V, 2nd

Greek Derivatives: Chelsea Gomez, Level I, 8th; Shivani Morrison, Level II, 3rd; Prianka Ghoshal, Level III, 10th; Ian Akash Morrison, Level IV, 3rd

Greek Life and Literature: Alice Chang, Level II, 10th; Robert Waguespack, Level III, 5th; Nicole Thadani, Level V, 4th

Roman Life: Ruth Hook, Level II, 10th; Gabriel Apfel, Level III, 10th; Mufeng Zhu, Level IV, 5th; Nicole Thadani, Level V, 2nd

Reading Comprehension: Julia Judge, Level I, 4th; Samuel Hooper, Level II, 4th; Ian Akash Morrison, Level IV, Advanced Poetry, 3rd; Michelle Hayner, Level V, Advanced Poetry, 3rd

Latin Literature: Andrew Langley, Level III, 8th; Angela Lin, Level IV, 6th

Roman History: Jack Reid, Level II, 4th; Mufeng Zhu, Level IV, 5th

Grammar: Julia Judge, Level I, 6th; Mark Stone, Level II, 2nd; Johnny Zhao, Level V, 1st

Dramatic Interpretation: Swetha Kotamraju, Level II, 7th

Mythology: Robert Waguespack, Level III, 7th; Angela Lin, Level IV, 2nd

Mottoes and Phrases: Andrew Park, Level II, 5th

Decathlon: Harrison Stinnett, Level I, 8th; Danielle Suh, Level II, 7th; Abhinav Golla, Level IV, 6th; Johnny Zhao, Level V, 4th

In other contests, Angela Lin was 4th in the Girls' Costume Contest while her club designed t-shirt was 3rd. The ensemble of Shivani Morrison and Tara Sharma was 9th. Nora Burdis's essay was 2nd. Aurea Henry had a 10th place in polychromatic art and Alexandra Kelly had a 5th place in mixed media. Emily Furnish was 5th in original English Oratory and 2nd in Latin Oratory while Nora Burdis was 8th in Latin Oratory. In open certamen Akash Morrison's team came in 1st in upper and Angela Lin's team was second.

Students did very well on the Pentathlon. Summa cum laude certificates were awarded to Gabriel Apfel, Anurag Bannerjee, Alice Chang, Prianka Ghoshal, Abhinav Golla, Garrett Hansen, Julia Judge, Swetha Kotamraju, Andrew Langley, Angela Lin, Akash Morrison, Shivani Morrison, Andrew Park, Jack Reid, Roopali Sharma, Mark Stone, Danielle Suh, Robert Waguespack, Amber Witt, and Johnny Zhao. Maxima cum laude went to Kathryn Betts, Sean Brocklehurst, Emily Furnish, Chelsea Gomez, Michelle Hayner, Ruth Hook, Samuel Hooper, Alexandra Kelly, Alice Liu, and Harrison Stinnett. Nora Burdis, Walker Jezek, Luke McPherson, Nicole Thadani, and Mufeng Zhu took magna cum laude while Aurea Henry and Tara Sharma won cum laude.