



Flint Hill School

Dear Latin Teacher,

You and your students are cordially invited to attend the 20th annual Flint Hill School Certamen, to be held five days before the Ides of January, MMDCCCLXIII *ab urbe condit*¹, at the Flint Hill Upper School campus.

We will host five levels of competition: Level I, Level I Advanced (for students who are in their second year of a Latin I course), Level II, Level III, and the Upper Level. Each school is allowed to enter **a total of five teams**; however, **there is a limit of two teams per school per level**. Additional students may wish to attend and play on a filler team (if these teams are indeed needed). Moreover, helpers are always appreciated, whether they are parent volunteers, extra players or other members of your club. The registration fee is \$15.00 per team.

There will be the standard three preliminary rounds and one final round of certamen. In the preliminary rounds, each toss-up question will have one *bonus*, whereas in the finals, each toss-up will have two *bon*. Like the past few years, our certamen will be fashioned after NJCL Certamen—the certamen questions will NOT be as difficult as Nationals questions, but the questions will resemble NJCL questions in style and substance, and will include listening comprehension questions.

Tentative schedule for the 20th annual Flint Hill School Certamen:

10:30-11:00	Registration, Light Snacks
11:00-11:30	Announcements
11:30-1:15	Preliminary Rounds, Lunch
1:15-1:30	Awards and Announcements
1:30-2:45	Final Rounds

[Day-of-Certamen number: (school: 703-584-2300; if no answer, call 513-478-6081)]

Please be sure to note that the registration will start at 10:30. It is important to everyone's schedule that the certamen run on time, and we kindly ask for your punctuality.

Please ****e-mail** us your registration no later than December 18, 2009** to BOTH khattemer@flinthill.org AND hchang@flinthill.org. **We are NOT accepting registrations by postal mail. We have a limited number of classrooms and we were maxed out last year; thus the earlier you register the better.** Your registration fees may follow later in the mail, or you may bring them with you on the day of the certamen.

Do not hesitate to email Kate Hattermer at khattemer@flinthill.org and Howard Chang at hchang@flinthill.org if you have any questions or concerns. We truly look forward to seeing all of you on January 9, 2010 at the 20th annual Flint Hill School Certamen.

Ex anim,

Sahithi Akula, Eamonn Patrick, and Kenneson Chen
Flint Hill School Classics Club *Triumvir*

¹ *i.e.*, Saturday, January 9, 2010