



**ALL**  
Amo Linguam Latinam (I  
Love Latin)  
**2017-2018**



**GATE**  
GIFTED AND TALENTED EDUCATION

**Audience:**

There were sixteen (16) students completing the ALL: Latin program. There were nine (9) females and seven (7) males.

Eligibility criteria for ALL are: SAT Critical Reading score of 560 or ACT English score of 21 and a Critical Reading score of 22.

Students must also complete an essay which is reviewed by the instructors.

**Funding:**

This program is supported entirely by student tuition.

**Objectives**

This program seeks to:

- Identify 7<sup>th</sup> - 9<sup>th</sup> grade students who reason extremely well in language arts curriculum
- Develop their reading, writing, speaking, and listening skills in Latin through classroom use of appropriate curriculum and instructional pacing commensurate with their abilities
- Help students understand the richness of meaning and expression in Latin literature and incorporate rhetorical and literary concepts
- Coordinate with multiple school systems and existing community resources to successfully meet the needs of highly gifted students within the framework of the regular school day

**Description:**

Every semester of the program corresponds with one year of high school Language Arts/Latin emphasizing developing and refining reading and writing skills.

Discussion of language will be anchored in Roman and medieval culture, and the role Latin has played in the development of the English language. Students will take the National Latin Exam at the end of each year, and the AP Latin exam at the end of the program.

**Outcomes:**

End-of-year program evaluations by parents and students show that students developed time management skills, and were challenged to be focused, organized, and efficient in order to balance the course requirements and their home school expectations. Student and parent comments:

"I like that my child has an opportunity to learn Latin when it is difficult to find that option in most places. She is learning not only a language but about history and culture".

"Attending this program has helped me learn more about what college classes would be like, and thus better helps me prepare my current work ethics and learning methods to ensure that I can succeed then. It has also peaked my curiosity in the studies of the culture of ancient Rome, as well as let me think more about everyday words that I use, as well as sentence structure and grammar".

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