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What is the National Junior Classical League?

The Junior Classical League is a national organization composed of local classical clubs in Junior and Senior High Schools. When a local club joins (see requirements in next paragraph), it becomes a member of the National Junior Classical League. Each club maintains its own program, participates in state and national conventions and its members are eligible for scholarships. The purpose of the NJCL is to encourage among young people an interest in and appreciation of the civilization, language, literature and art of ancient Greece and Rome, and to give them some understanding of the debt of our own culture to that of classical antiquity.

How Can a School Join the Junior Classical League?

- 1. Any local group with five or more students who are taking or who have taken a classical language or a course in the classical humanities and with assistance of a teacher or sponsor may form a chapter. Upon affiliation each chapter receives a charter printed on parchment paper.
- Chapter Dues No fee if paid by December 1, 2014; \$10.00 if paid after December 1, 2014 and before April 1, 2015; \$20.00 if paid after April 1, 2015 and before July 1, 2015.
- 3. The membership fee is \$2.00 for each student per year. This entitles him/her to be eligible to attend convention, and, if paid before the deadline of July 1, (granting good standing status), eligible to hold office and vote at convention. Also, all members in good standing are eligible for the NJCL Scholarships and the NJCL Latin Honor Society if they meet all other requirements.
- NJCL chapter must affiliate with its state/provincial organization. See the NJCL website (http://www.njcl.org/directories) for state contact information. All chapters must adhere to their state/provincial requirements and deadlines.
- Any SPONSOR who is not a member of The American Classical League must become a member. This membership includes a subscription to The Classical Outlook and the cost is \$55.00 per year.

When was The Junior Classical League Established?

The Junior Classical League was founded in the Fall of 1936. In 2013-2014 there were 46, 419 members and 1154 chapters.

Scholarships

The NJCL awards the following scholarships: Belle Gould, Jessie Chambers, Rhea Miller, Red & Rhea Miller, Margaret & Eugene Halligan, Maureen O'Donnell, Sr. Jeannette Plante, Susan & Dennis Webb, Renata Motiu and Chester Tylinski. (ranging from \$1200 to \$2500). The requirements are: 1) the local club be a chapter in good standing of the NJCL; 2) the student be a current JCL member; 3) the student plans to continue the study of the classics in college or university. Special consideration will be given to an applicant who plans to teach Latin or Greek. The David Levy scholarship is awarded biannually to a JCL sponsor. For information on scholarships write: The National Junior Classical League, 422 Wells Mill Dr, Oxford, Ohio 45056.

Publications

TORCH: U.S. is published in Oxford, Ohio, and consists of four issues per year - Fall, Winter, Spring and Summer. TORCH: U.S. is also available on the NJCL website.

Website

Check the NJCL website at www.njcl.org to see all that NJCL has to offer to both students and teachers.

What is the National Convention?

It is a convention held yearly on a college campus open to JCL members only. It is a time to exchange ideas, hear noted speakers, participate in workshops, compete in contests (both academic and non-academic), and to meet JCL students from other states.

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