

Ascanius: The Youth Classics Institute  
is a 15-year old nonprofit offering:



#### **Student Programs**

\**Toga Trek*: a series of interactive online videos introducing ES/MS students to important topics in ancient Roman culture

\**Roman Explorers*: half-day and full-day workshops giving ES/MS students a taste of the language and culture of the ancient Roman world

#### **Teacher Programs**

\**Let's Learn Latin*: workshop preparing and training ES/MS teachers without a Classical background to incorporate basic elements of Latin and ancient Roman culture into their classrooms

\**Roman Explorations*: multiday workshop, similar to the above, but on-site in Rome, Italy, with plenty of exploration of ancient Roman sites

#### **Publications Series (knowledge of Latin, Greek, or Classical Studies is not necessary to use our publications)**

\**Activitates Liberis*: curriculum guides helping teachers to incorporate Latin, mythology, and Roman culture on the elementary school level

\**Exploring the Roman World*: student workbooks including fun, engaging activities introducing ES/MS students to the Latin language, Roman culture, and mythology

\**Getting to Know Greek*: fun activities and stories introducing ES/MS students to the ancient Greek language and culture; online activities and audio recordings accompany

#### **Scholarships**

\**Classical Promise Scholarships*: available to any high school or college Latin student wishing to create or maintain a Latin/Classical Studies program in partnership with an elementary school.

#### **Contests**

\**SCRIBO*: Latin composition contest open to Latin students at any level. Awards given. Top entries are published for reading in Latin classrooms!

Schedule a student program, register for a workshop, buy an activity guide, and more at:

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# LET'S LEARN LATIN!



a FREE workshop for  
elementary & middle school teachers

#### *learn about:*

- the Latin language!
- Latin vocabulary!
- English word roots!

*Friday, March 18, 2016 – Williamsburg*

Connected to State Standards  
PD Certificates/Hours Offered



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## Overview

LET'S LEARN LATIN will introduce elementary and middle school teachers to the world of Latin and the ancient Romans through a variety of engaging approaches.

Teachers get to play the role of students, learning the material through the same activities and lessons that they will be able to use in their own classrooms.

Participants will enjoy learning the basics of Latin, using a colorful, interesting, kid-friendly text called Minimus, supplemented by effective and innovative activities to practice the material. **No previous experience with Latin is needed!**

Participants will receive myriad classroom-ready materials on all topics studied.



## Curriculum

The workshop will lead participants through 50% or more of the Minimus text, giving participants the skills and confidence they need to continue their study independently.

This work at the workshop will prepare participants to knowledgeable and confidently teach their students about the following aspects of the ancient Roman world:

- \* basics of the Latin language
- \* grammatical connections between Latin and English
- \* Latin vocabulary and word roots
- \* culture and mythology

## Why Latin?

Chief benefits of Latin to students: Students will better understand English vocabulary and grammar, the workings of other world languages, and the roots of Western civilization.

Connections to standards: We recognize that for the teaching of Latin and Classical Studies to be effective and feasible, it must be integrated with state standards. Participants will learn about connections to the standards, and other techniques of incorporating these topics into today's busy classrooms.

## Schedule (tentative)

A morning session (8:00 am – 11:00 am) will be followed by lunch (11:00 am – 11:30 am) & an afternoon session (11:30 am – 3:00 pm).

### Key language topics, studied in depth:

greetings  
question words  
nouns and adjectives  
gender  
linking verbs  
action verbs  
adverbs  
plural subjects

### Ancillary topics, overview of classroom activities:

- \* vocabulary (family, animals, colors, foods, emotions, classroom, body parts)
- \* culture (names, writing, Greek pottery, games, art, coins, travel, geography)



## Meet the instructor

Kevin S. Jefferson

Kevin, a former Latin teacher, is pursuing a Master's degree in Classics at the University of Colorado Boulder. He graduated from the University of Virginia with a major in Classics. Since 2006, he has been involved in Ascanius's enrichment camps for ES/MS children, serving as both a teacher and an administrator. Kevin has served as Director of Student Programs for Ascanius, in which role he helped to design, organize, and coordinate both the major LatinSummer programs and smaller student outreach programs. Kevin currently serves as the Chair of the Technology & Social Media Committee.



## Details

### Who can come:

Any teacher or homeschool instructor of elementary or middle school children. The target audience is those who do not currently teach Latin.

### When and where:

Friday, March 18, 2015 at the Williamsburg Lodge, 310 South England Street, Williamsburg, VA 23185.

### Cost:

FREE! Registration, all workshop materials and resources, and light breakfast with coffee are all provided. Participants should bring their own lunch (there is not enough time to leave the hotel).

### Professional development credit:

All participants will receive a certificate documenting their 6.5 contact hours.

### To register: (Can fill up quickly! Limited to 15-20 participants!)

All participants must register online via our website ([www.ascaniusyci.org](http://www.ascaniusyci.org)). Deadline: March 7, 2016.