Latin I Cobb Middle School

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Course Objectives: This course is an introduction to Latin and is intended to increase the student's proficiency at reading Latin. Students will increase their knowledge of Latin grammar and vocabulary, as well as be able to recognize its influence on the English language. Students will also continue to learn about various aspects of ancient Roman society.

Classroom Rules:

- 1. Be in your assigned seat when the bell rings. Remain seated until you are given permission to get up.
- 2. Be prepared! Bring your materials everyday, including textbook, notebook, homework, and supplies.
- 3. Be respectful of your classmates, teacher, and school at all times.
- 4. Cheating results in a zero

This classroom is a safe environment created for the sole purpose of learning the Latin language and the Roman world. Students who disrupt that classroom environment will be given a warning on their first offense, and a lunch detention for their second offense. Continued disruptive behavior will result in a referral.

Academic Integrity: Academic integrity violations can include plagiarism, cheating, and unauthorized group work on any assignment, project, or test.

If a student is caught the following will occur:

- ·The student will receive an F with zero credit.
- ·The citizenship grade will be lowered for the grading period.
- ·A notice will be recorded with the guidance office.

Any occurrence of academic dishonesty may be reported by the guidance office on college admissions applications.

Cell Phones and Electronic Devices: The Cobb Middle School code of conduct prohibits the use of cell phones and electronic devices in the classroom. Unless otherwise designated by Mr. Kummer, use of cell phones is prohibited. Cell phones being used in class will be taken away and turned in to Student Affairs. A parent will have to pick up the phone from there at the end of the day.

Attendance and Make-up Work: Learning a language requires constant practice, so it is important that you attend class regularly and that you are prepared. Attendance will be recorded according the Cobb Middle School attendance policy. If a student is absent and the absence has been excused, the student will be allowed to complete the work missed.

If the student is absent (and excused) on the day of a quiz or test, the student has five school days to make this up for full credit. **Make-up work is the student's responsibility.**

Grading Distribution: Grades will be weighted based on the following categories.

Tests:	40%	Grading Scale:	A 90-100	F 0-59
Quizzes	30%		B 80-89	
Homework/classwork:	20%		C 70-79	
Participation:	10%		D 60-69	

Regional Latin Forum: Regional Latin Forum will be Saturday, January 28th at Leon High School. All students will be encouraged to participate. Extra credit may be awarded based off of performance and participation

Course Materials and Requirements: Students are expected to attend class regularly and complete assigned readings and written assignments on time. Students are expected to come to class prepared *everyday*; this includes bringing their textbooks as well as a notebook, paper, and pen/pencil.

Students will be required to keep a class notebook. This notebook may be one devoted only to this class or a section of a larger notebook. Throughout the year, students will receive a number of charts and handouts to help them better learn and understand Latin grammar. To that end, students will be expected to keep those charts and handouts in their notebooks or auxiliary folder, which items are subject to inspection for a grade. Furthermore, there will be daily board work, which the students will be required to copy into their notebooks.

Students will be required to make flashcards for new vocabulary that they learn with each chapter. To that end, students should have a healthy supply of 3x5 note cards on which to make vocabulary flash cards. Torn or cut up pieces of paper will not suffice as flashcards.

Textbooks:

Cambridge Latin Course, Units II and III, North American Fourth Edition, Cambridge University Press. Cost: \$31.25 each