

**ASCANIUS: THE YOUTH CLASSICS INSTITUTE**  
**Faculty & Staff Application**

**I. Personal Information**

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School Address: 2600 S Rochemore St. New Orleans, LA 70125  
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**II. Program Selection**

I am interested in a faculty or staff position at the following LatinSummer program(s): Check one or both.

- ☒ LatinSummer Anne Arundel, Md. (July 2 – July 14, 2006)\*  
☒ LatinSummer Alexandria, Va. (July 16 – July 28, 2006)

\*LatinSummer Anne Arundel is contingent upon sufficient student registration.

All faculty members are required to attend a faculty retreat in the D.C. metropolitan area from Friday morning, March 24 through Sunday afternoon, March 26, 2006.

**III. Academic Record**

1. Class Rank: I currently rank 283 in a class of 394 students.
2. GPA/QPA: My cumulative GPA/QPA is currently 1.73 on a 4.0 scale.
3. SAT II: Have you taken the Latin SAT-II Subject Test? Y Score 390
4. Transcript: Please enclose an official college or secondary school transcript.  
*Please note, my transcript was destroyed in Hurricane Katrina.*
5. Have you completed the highest level of Latin that your institution offers? N  
What level? 3
6. Have you attended the Virginia Governor's Latin Academy? N What year? \_\_\_\_\_

#### IV. Awards, Honors, and Relevant Experience

*For Part IV, please attach additional paper.*

1. Please list all awards and honors related to Latin and the Classics.
2. Please list all academic and extracurricular honors, awards, achievements, activities, and offices held.
3. Please list and explain in detail all experiences working with or teaching elementary school children.
4. List two references. These should be people who are not family members but who know you personally and can speak on your behalf.

*Recommendations, while not required, are useful and may be included.*

*\* I'm adopted.*

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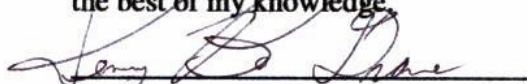
V. Essay *I put this on a separate piece of paper too, although not requested. ☺*

Respond to the following statement in 500 words or less: "Latin is a dead language."

#### VI. Certification

This application is not a binding commitment. However, if you are selected to be a member of the faculty or staff for LatinSummer 2006, you will accept this position, if you choose to do so, by signing a legally binding contract. You will be expected to be present throughout the program and at the faculty retreat. Additionally, because the faculty will most likely be from various parts of the region, communication in the weeks and months preceding the program will be vital. Faculty members will be expected to attend all meetings and work closely with the Directors to develop their curricula.

I declare that the information I have provided in this application is true and complete to the best of my knowledge.

  
Signature

1-15-06  
Date

Please return by January 15, 2006 to:  
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## Section IV –

1. Latin Club Achievement Award  
Anchises Award, Latin I and II
2. Community Service Volunteer Award  
Lake Poncetrain Football Team, 2002-2005.  
JR Tucker Football Team 2005-2006.  
Most likely to go Greek, Senior Superlative.  
Vice President, Latin Club 2005-2006  
Secretary, Latin Club 2003-2005  
President, Lake Poncetrain HS Student Council
3. Whitney Houston put it best when she said, “I believe the children are our future, teach them well, and let them lead the way...”. Our kids today are either falling behind or going forward in reverse. It is up to us to take a stand to change the future of America. I’m prepared to take that stand. My grandfather used to tell us stories of how he would walk 6 miles to school to learn math with a piece of coal on the back of a shovel, while we stole his walker. Today, kids have to walk through 6 metal detectors to learn with no books because the schools can’t afford them. As a brother to 3 siblings, I work hard to help make their lives better so they won’t have to endure what I have. Yes, I sometimes bully them around, but I think this has built many leadership qualities within me. By bullying around my nerdy little brothers, it has taught them to work hard to become smarter, because then they can rise to the top of the corporate ladder and potentially outsource the jobs of the bullies to China. Think about it, do you think in school President Bush dished it out or took it? These are the qualities needed to be President of the United States...and Latin Summer faculty...and I have those qualities. Furthermore, I will use those qualities for good during Latin Summer.

## Essay

In the 1960's, there was a dire need for mathematical knowledge. Projects to compete in space with Russia and the Sputnik, to invent the television, and to stop terrorism from the Japanese by creating the A-bomb were critical to the success of America. However, this is no longer true. Nothing that has changed the world has yet to be invented. Think about it...Mathematics is comparative to Latin in this way. Mathematics and Latin are both "dead". However, they are also similar in the fact that their legacy lives on. With Latin, its death spawned the life of new, romantic languages, such as French and Spanish. Some central Americans were so influenced by Latin, they renamed their region after this popular language. Court buildings and money reflect the values of Latin with words such as *e pluribus unum*, which, according to the Merriam Webster dictionary means, one of many. Even Hollywood constantly revives Latin with catch phrases such as *Quid pro Quo*, as heard by Dr. Hannibal Lecter in the movie, *Silence of the Lambs*. Many medical terms are based off of Latin words. Even a major muscle group, the "lat" is most certainly related to Latin. In writing this essay, I used the search engine Excite to look up the word, Latin. Coincidentally enough, the word excite ties its roots to Latin. By using this search engine, you realize Latin is alive and well. Many sites exist showing the legacy of Latin. Today, you can listen to Latin music, date Latin singles, travel to the land of Latin America, and even learn the language of Latin in 10 minutes. Latin is everywhere. Even when my hometown of New Orleans flooded when the levees broke, I felt the presence of Latin all around me. The very words Orleans and levee are French words, which stem from Latin. The word hurricane comes from Spanish, which again stems from Latin. It is my prediction (Latin word) with all this support that Latin can someday be resurrected from the dead. As a faculty member of Latin Summer, I will make it my goal to aid in this process with my love for this culture. So why should you choose me as a Latin Summer faculty member? If you want to see Latin become "undead" (real word, look it up), then you will select me. If you don't select me, then I guess you just want to keep Latin in a persistent vegetative state, living out the rest of its days on life support. As I'm sure you are all lovers of Latin, and want to see the best future for it, I'm confident you'll make the right decision and elect (another Latin word) Kenny Drane for Latin Summer faculty (another Latin word) member!!!