# LATIN TRANSLATION

# University of Memphis Language Fair 2026

## ℹ GUIDELINES

- All work must be done solely by the student.
- The use of dictionaries is permitted, though online translation and use of A.I. tools are not.  Teachers should not submit any entries where online translation is suspected or known to have been used.
- Submissions will be accepted starting December 1st and will close on February 2nd. All work is to be submitted via the online registration form at www.memphis.edu/fair/.
- Each level must be submitted as a separate Word or PDF document. All entries for that level must be submitted in the same document.

## ℹ JUDGING

| CRITERIA | OUTSTANDING (4) | NOTEWORTHY (3) | ADEQUATE (2) | INADEQUATE (1) |
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| Morpho-syntactic Accuracy | The English version is **precise** in the translation of case/use of nouns, tenses of verbs, and the structure of clauses and sentences. There are **few to no mistakes.** The translation represents 93-100% of what the Latin said. | The English version is **mostly accurate** in the translation of case/use of nouns, tenses of verbs, and the structure of clauses and sentences. There are **some minor** mistakes. The translation represents 80-92% of what the Latin said. | The English version is **somewhat accurate** in the translation of case/ use of nouns, tenses of verbs, and the structure of clauses and sentences. There are **several** mistakes, but the translation still represents 70-80% of what the Latin said. | The English version has **considerable inaccuracies** in the translation of case/use of nouns, tenses of verbs, and the structure of clauses and sentences. There are **many** mistakes, and the translation represents 69% or less of what the Latin says. |
| Vocabulary | The English translation Contains choices that are **accurate and logical** (appropriate for the genre and this piece in particular) for the Latin vocabulary. | The English translation contains **mostly accurate and logical** choices for the Latin vocabulary. There are **a few instances** when the meaning chosen is confusing or distracts from translation. | The English translation contains **some accurate and logical** choices for the Latin vocabulary. There are **several instances** when the meaning chosen is confusing or distracts from translation. | The English translation contains **few accurate and logical** choices for the Latin vocabulary. There are **many instances** when the meaning chosen is confusing or distracts from translation. |
| Flow | **The entire translation** flows and makes sense as a continuous piece of text. It **captures the transitions and flow** of the original text. | **Most of the translation** flows and makes sense as a continuous piece of text. It captures **most of the transitions** and flow of the original text. | **Some of the translation** flows and makes sense as a continuous piece of text. It captures **some of the transitions** and flow of the original text. | **Not much of the translation** flows or makes sense as a continuous piece of text. It captured **little of the transitions** and flow of the original text. |