*To the Headmasters of*

*High schools*

Object: **12th *Certamen Varronianum Reatinum***

The I.I.S. “M.T.VARRONE” of RIETI, the FONDAZIONE VARRONE and the ASSOCIAZIONE EX ALUNNI of LICEO CLASSICO, call the

**12th *CERTAMEN VARRONIANUM REATINUM***

***15-16-17-18 April, 2015***

reserved for students attending the second last and the last year of senior high school specializing in classical studies (Liceo Classico), senior high school specializing in science education (Liceo Scientifico), senior high school specializing in modern languages and science of education (Liceo Pedagogico-Linguistico), senior high school specializing in technical education (Liceo Tecnologico) and agriculture (Istituti Tecnici e Professionali per l’Agricoltura), and to high school students, from UE countries, in which Latin is studied.

The *Certamen* is dedicated to the memory of Professor Monsignor Benedetto Riposati, Professor of Latin Literature at Università Cattolica in Milan, former teacher at Liceo Classico of Rieti and eminent Varro scholar.

The *Certamen* is structured in two main sections:

1. **Classical section**, reserved to students attending the second last and the last year of senior high schools specializing in classical studies, such as Licei Classici, Scientifici, Pedagogici, Linguistici.It is required a translation from Latin of a text taken from Varro or from a different author of scientific prose ( Seneca “Naturales quaestiones”, Columella “De re rustica”, Pliny the Elder “Naturalis historia”). The translation must be followed by a short commentary, in Italian, about the linguistic, stylistic, and historical-literary features of the text. The translation is reserved to no more than two students for each school up to 10 students – including students from EU countries where Latin is studied. These students will have the possibility of writing the translation and the commentary in English, or French, or German, or Spanish or Portuguese or Italian.
2. **Technical and scientific section** including two distinct subsections (historical-literary and technical-practical). For each of them it is required an individual or group research on:

##### historical-literary research on “The effects of the cultural policy oh Augustus in the literary works of his age”, reserved for Italian students attending the second last and the last year of senior high schools specializing in classical studies, in science education, in modern languages and science of education and for no more than 10 students, EU citizens. The students can refer to any text about the proposed theme and enrich their research with personal observations and examples in the

languages of point 1.

**b)** **technical and practical research** on **“Bees, their products and their diseases: from the Latin authors to the contemporary age”,** reserved for students attending national senior high schools specializing in technical and vocational education for agriculture and Technological Liceo , and for no more than 10 students, EU citizens. Foreign students can use the languages mentioned in point 1.

**N.B.:** The texts you can refer to (Italian traslation) for both the two subsections a) and b) of the Technical-practical section are:

**Cato, *De agri cultura ch. 76-85; 157;***

**Varro, De re rustica , book III, ch. 16;**

**Columella, *De re rustica, book VI, ch. 6; 12; 17; 30; 33; all book IX; book XII, ch. 5; 10-12; 25; 38; 41; 47-50; 58-59;***

##### Pliny The Elder, *Naturalis historia, book XI, par. 11-70; book XIII, par.8-18;book XIV, par. 53; 85; 108; 113-114; book XXI, par. 70-85; 149; book XXII, par. 107-109; book XXIV, par. 47; and, about the use of honey in medicine, books XX-XXXII passim.*

**Virgil, *Georgiche book IV***

The participation toTechnical and Science Section, subsections a) and b), requires a research, done in the respective schools, which makes use of paratextual features: paper, technological, iconographic, plastic devices, etc. Each school can send no more than two works, individual or group work.

The applications for all sections must be sent in and not later than **March 20, 2015**.

The researches of technical-scientific section, subsections a) and b), must be sent in and not later than **March** **26, 2015**.

Enclosures A and B of this announcement, filled in completely, must be sent to the address at the bottom of this document within the fixed terms.

Schools interested in the classical section can take part with no more than two students, accompanied by a teacher if underage.

The students will be hosted at the expenses of the organizing Committee; the associate teachers will sustain personally the expenses of their accomodation; there will be conventions with hotels in Rieti to be enjoyed. Travel costs are chargeable to students and associate teachers.

The **12th Certamen Varronianum** will take place on **April 15-16-17-18, 2015**; the list of the granted candidates will be available soon after the closing dates on the school website: [www.iisvarrone.it](http://www.iisvarrone.it) Since the middle of March you can learn the constitution of the committees, the programme of the contest and the ways of execution of classical section competition.

**The arrival of the students will be on April 15,2015 from 3.00 p.m**. at the main building of the school (Square Mazzini,1).

**Certamen regulations are enclosed.**

**The amount of the prizes is the following:**

1. for the classical section:
   * **1st prize € 1.200,00 to the winner and 400 to the school**
   * **2nd prize € 800,00 to the winner and 300 to the school**
   * **3rd prize € 500,00 to the winner and 200 to the school**
   * **Books and study materials for students classified from fourth to tenth**

1. for the technical-scientific section, historical-literary subsection:
   * **1st prize € 500,00**
   * **2nd prize € 400,00**
   * **3rd prize € 300,00**
2. for the technical-scientific section, technical-practical subsection:
   * **1st prize € 500,00**
   * **2nd prize € 400,00**
   * **3rd prize € 300,00**

The EU competitors will be included in the same list of the Italian schools.

*The application forms must be sent to the following address by mail, fax or e-mail:*

**Certamen Varronianum Reatinum 20015**

**I.I.S. “M.T. Varrone”**

**Liceo Classico “Marco Terenzio Varrone**

# Piazza Mazzini,1

**02100 – RIETI Italy**

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e\_mail: [certamenvarronianum@iisvarrone.it](mailto:certamenvarronianum@iisvarrone.it)

Web site: [www.iisvarrone.it](http://www.iisvarrone.it)

For further information apply to the following numbers:

**I.I.S. “M. T. Varrone”**

**phone: 0039(0)746/480132 or 480164; Fax:0039(0)746/491325;**

**00390746484894 ( teacher Mrs Fiorella Lotti)**

**mobile 00393397267488 (teacher Mrs Fiorella Lotti)**

**mobile 00393487937714 (teacher Benedetta Graziosi)**

**mobile 00393471707859 (teacher Nadia Laudazi)**

**mobile 00393484789522 ( teacher Rosaria Rotilio)**

**mobile 00393332493491 ( teacher Maria Laura Lotti)**

e\_mail: [riis003001@istruzione.it](mailto:riis003001@istruzione.it)

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**The School Headmaster**

**( Mrs. Lidia Nobili)**

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## REGULATIONS

**a) Classical section**

**Art. 1** The I.I.S. “M.T. Varrone” of Rieti, the **Fondazione Varrone,** and the **Associazione** **ex-alunni of Liceo Classico** announce every year the *Certamen Varronianum*, classical section, in March, April or in May. It is reserved for students attending the second last and the last year of national Licei Classici, Scientifici and Pedagogico-linguistici and for no more than ten competitors coming from EU schools where they study Latin. **The Certamen** **Varronianum Reatinum, classical section**, consists of a translation of a Latin passage from Varro or from different authors of scientific prose. The translation could be followed by a brief commentary in Italian.

**Art. 2** **The** **Classical section** examining board is formed by an Italian University Professor of Latin Literature, who acts as President; by two or more teachers (university or high school) whose appointment, by the President of the examining board, is unchallengeable; by the School Headmaster and by the President of the ex-students association, in agreement with the organizing Committee.

**Art. 3**

The students will be hosted at the expenses of the organizing Committee; the associate teachers will sustain personally the expenses of their accomodation at one of the local hotels.

Travel costs are chargeable to students and associate teachers.

**Art. 4** No more than two students for each joining school will gain entrance for the classical section. They have to be accompanied by a teacher or by any other officially in charge of them. The students that did not classify among the first ten, at the previous edition, may participate to the present one.

**Art. 5** The commission, after examiningthe works and selecting the best, will preparethe list of the winners of the **Certamen, classical section**, who will be awarded on their third-day stay as following:

* + cash prize to students classified as the best three and to their schools as well;
  + books and study materials to students classified from fourth to tenth
  + certificates to all participants and their schools.

A unique list will be drawn up for both Italian and foreign students. The prizegiving will take place during the final day of Certamen. The cash prizes will be sent by a bank account, previously given to the commission.

**b) Technical-scientific section**

**Art. 6** At the same time as the **Certamen, classical section**, the **Certamen, technical-scientific section**, will take place, reserved for students of the last two classes of classical, scientific, technical, educational, vocational schools for agriculture and national technological ones. This section is divided into two subsections: **historical-literary and technical-practical**. Each school can take part in the Certamen with **no more than two either individual or group works**, whose theme will be announced in the annual call. Even the students who were present in the previous contest and did not classify within the first ten can participate. No more than twenty students/groups (ten for each of the two subsections) coming from EU schools, will be admitted to this section.

**Art. 7** **The Technical and Science section** examining board is formed by one University Professor and by two high school teachers, one specialized in scientific and technological field, the other in vocational field. They will examine all the projects forwarded to us not beyond the deadline, they will declare the winners whose names will be sent to their schools. The deadline will be communicated in the annual announcement.

**Art. 8** The winners of the two subsections will be awarded as following:

* + cash prize to students classified as the best three
  + books and study materials to students classified from fourth to tenth
  + certificates to all participants and to all joining schools.

EU students will be rewarded as fixed in article **5**.

Prize-giving for Technical and Science section winners will be held during the final day of *Certamen*. The winners classified as the first three of both sections or only one member of the group, if the winner is a group, will be hosted in the occasion of the price-giving ceremony of **Certamen-classical section** at the expenses of the organizing Committee, since the day before.

c) common directions

**Art. 9** During the stay in Rieti, cultural, entertaining, sightseeing activities will be organized for all participants.

**Art. 10** The Certamen is organized by an organizing Committee called **“Comitato** **Varroniano”**, composed of **:**

1. The Headmaster pro-tempore of the I.I.S. “Marco Terenzio Varrone “ of Rieti
2. The President pro-tempore of Fondazione Varrone
3. The President pro-tempore of the “Associazione ex alunni del Liceo Classico”
4. A member of the direction of Fondazione Varrone
5. A member of the direction of the “ Associazione ex alunni del Liceo classico”

The Committee decides every year the times and the rules of the **Certamen Varronianum** and everything concerns its realization.

**Attachment A**

**(application form – classical section ) To: Headmaster**

**Lidia Nobili**

**I.I.S.“M.T.Varrone”**

**Rieti**

**12th *CERTAMEN VARRONIANUM REATINUM***

***RIETI 15-16-17-18 APRIL, 2015***

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# Applies to

The 12th CERTAMEN VARRONIANUM REATINUM, in Rieti **from April 15 toApril 18, 2015**

**( arrival on 15 April) .**

Tick the chosen section:

* **Classical Section**
* **Historical-literary section**
* **Technical and practical section**

1) whole classes can attach full list

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Student signature

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Date…………………………………..

Headmaster signature

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**Attachment B**

**To: Headmaster**

**Lidia Nobili**

**I.I.S. “M.T. Varrone” Rieti**

**Object: Projects for 12th *CERTAMEN VARRONIANUM REATINUM***

***Rieti 15-16-17-18 – April , 2015***

SCHOOL NAME

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SCHOOL ADDRESS

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(Street/Square) (number) (Post code) (City)

Phone (reception)…………………………Phone (Headmaster’s )…………………………….FAX…………………..

Email ………………………………………………………………………………………

We send our projects for 12th *CERTAMEN VARRONIANUM REATINUM* relating to:

1. **Historical-literary section**

**Number of projects.................................................**

**Class level………………………………………………………..**

**Students’ names ( attach full list )**

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1. **Technical - practical section**

**Number of works.................................................**

**Class level………………………………..………...………..**

**Students’ names ( attach full list )**

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**Headmaster**

**Date......................................... .......................................................**

**The projects of students attending foreign schools must be sent in English, French, German, Spanish or Italian.**