To all high school teachers attending Holy Cross’s 2016 Classics Day:

Salvete! My name is Charlie Schufreider and I am the Classics Day Chair at Holy Cross this year. I hope that your classes are going well as you get into your second semester. I wanted to remind the teachers and students of some of the unique aspects of our Classics Day. Due to outstanding submissions and demonstrated interest from past years, we are continuing the Manuscript Challenge. These aspects reflect the cutting-edge research our Classics department is currently involved in:

1: Manuscript-related Certamen questions: Certamen rounds will again include a few questions regarding manuscripts. The following is a list of basic topics upon which the questions will be based:

   - The materials of manuscripts
   - The process of making a manuscript
   - The uses of manuscripts/types of documents
   - The scribal process

And here are several links which should be useful for studying:

http://www.bibliopolis.nl/handboek/search/recordIdentifier/HBB%3A1.1.1/maximumRecords/1/termenkaart/octavo
https://www.bl.uk/catalogues/illuminatedmanuscripts/GlossA.asp
http://www.getty.edu/art/gettyguide/videoDetails?cat=2&segid=372
http://medievalwriting.50megs.com/glossary2.htm

2: The “Manuscript Challenge” will be issued about a month before Classics Day. Schools will be asked to submit their findings a week before Classics Day.

Holy Cross students participate in this kind of research throughout the year. Our hope is to let students know more about the research opportunities that may be available to them when they reach college. If you have any questions or concerns please contact me, Charlie Schufreider, at cjschu17@g.holycross.edu. Thank you very much, and I can’t wait to see you all on Classics Day!

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