## Boys' Latin High School

# The Ledger

October 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2022 Family Edition Vol. VIII

Greetings Warrior Nation,

Please check out this week's Ledger for all upcoming announcements.

	Boys' Latin Key Dates
October 3	Winter Uniforms Required
October 5	Interim Reports Emailed to Families
October 6	Kickboard Monthly Student Incentive
October 8	Saturday School
October 10	Indigenous People's Day (No School)
October 12	PSAT Testing for 10th & 11th Grade

## Saturday School

Saturday School will take place this Saturday October 8th from 9-12pm. Any learners failing a class must attend virtually or in person. Mr. Braxton will reach out to all families that have a learner failing a course.

#### School Uniform

Starting tomorrow, October 3<sup>rd</sup> learners MUST be in FULL winter uniform. The winter uniform can be purchased at <u>Flynn O'Hara</u> online or in-stores and consists of:

- -Khaki Poly/Cotton Men's Pants
- -Blue Long Sleeve Button-down Collared Shirt
- -Navy Polyester Blazer with School Logo
- -Black Leather Belt
- -Maroon/Navy Striped Tie
- -Black Leather Men's Dress Shoes (no sneakers or boots)
- -Black Socks

\*\*Please note that learners must be in full uniform. If your family is experiencing a hardship, please contact our School Counselor, Dr. Washington, so that we can best support your family at <a href="mailto:nwashington@boyslatin.org">nwashington@boyslatin.org</a>. Additionally, due to warm temperatures, Warriors may substitute the top-half of the uniform with the Maroon Short Sleeve Collared Shirt with the School Logo until October 3rd.

## PSAT Testing

Learners in grades 10 and 11 will be participating in PSAT testing on Wednesday, October 12th. Grades 10 & 11 learners will report to school at 8am and will conclude their day by 1:30pm. The PSAT is an important test which is used to determine National Merit Scholars, award future merit scholarships, and it also better prepares learners for the SAT assessment which they will need to gain entrance into the majority of academic institutions. Please speak to your child about the assessment and the importance of taking it seriously.

Grades 9 & 12 will NOT report to the building on Wednesday 10/12. They will remain home and complete asynchronous virtual lessons.

## Student Attendance

It is imperative that your child reports to school each day on time. BL has an attendance policy aimed at maximizing student success. Please review the attached flier which details our attendance policy. We need your assistance in getting learners to school on time. Additionally, please note that learners will receive a detention after 3 school tardies. All excused notes should be sent to frontofficehs@boyslatin.org

## **Leadership Academy & Office Hours**

This is a reminder that Leadership Academy is a graduation requirement. Each learner has been enrolled in a Leadership Academy which takes place twice a week. Learners are also encouraged to take advantage of Office Hours for classes that they need support in.

## Water Bottles

Please send your child with a water bottle to school so that they may refill them at the water stations.



## Mission

We prepare boys for success in college and beyond, using as our foundation a classical Latin education, the positive influence of brotherhood, and rich relationships. We are a community that values and cultivates critical thinking, personal responsibility, emotional intelligence, and character development.

## Vision

Boys' Latin of Philadelphia is a collaborative community of motivated students, supportive families, and dedicated educators. The school serves as a national college-preparatory model for educating boys by nurturing personal responsibility, emotional intelligence, and character development. We empower students to understand their voice and increase their fortitude, shaping scholars who are successful in college and beyond.

## Student Laptops & Tech Support

Any learner need technical support should send an email to <a href="support@boyslatin.org">support@boyslatin.org</a>. Our IT team will get back to learners in a timely manner to assist with all tech support.

### Extended Family Network (EFN)

We are ecstatic to continue working alongside our families to create a dynamic educational experience for our Young Warriors. Working with the EFN, we can build a framework for the future and promote mutual understanding, cooperation, and communication among families, educators, and administrators. We can build a school culture that allows for special events, celebrations, and a strong support network. Together we can help create an atmosphere where learners feel excited to come to school and feel encouraged by their entire community. We cannot express how crucial it is to have our families involved in this endeavor.

Please consider becoming an active member of this process. Our Warriors deserve the BEST and our staff would greatly appreciate your support. If you are interested in having a role in building this network, please reach out to <a href="mailto:efn.hs@boyslatin.org">efn.hs@boyslatin.org</a> We hope to connect with you soon and schedule our first planning meeting together.

### Front Office Communication

If you need to update any information or have any questions for our Administrative Assistant, Mrs. Cina Girard, please email <a href="mailto:frontofficehs@boyslatin.org">frontofficehs@boyslatin.org</a> so that we can effectively address your questions. If you have further concerns, you may email me directly at <a href="mailto:euthman-olukokun@boyslatin.org">euthman-olukokun@boyslatin.org</a>

## **Gently Used Uniform Pieces**

In collaboration with the Extended Family Network (EFN), we are seeking gently used uniform pieces. The pieces will be utilized to support learners and families that may need financial support. If you have any gently used pieces, we encourage you to bring them in so that we may safely clean and distribute them to learners in need. We appreciate your support in aiding our school community!

## **Dismissal**

Please do not double park your car on Cedar Avenue. It has caused a very dangerous situation for our students who are walking home and catching public transportation. We also want to respect neighbors and neighborhood traffic flow. We understand that parking is limited, but please DO NOT double park.

Best,

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