Boys' Latin High School

The Ledger

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Greetings Warrior Nation,

Happy Monday! Please check out this week's news and announcements listed below.

News & Announcements

Boys' Latin Key Dates	
April 9	Easter Sunday
April 10	Learners Return from Spring Break (Staff Blackout Day)
	1st Day of Spring Uniforms
April 15	Saturday School
April 17	Report Card Conferences 3-7pm
April 25	SAT Testing for 11th Graders
April 27	HS Career Day

Warrior College Acceptances

As seniors get accepted to colleges and universities and provide their acceptance letters to the college advising office, we recognize their amazing accomplishments and give them a tie to commemorate the celebration. We have been celebrating our seniors each day during our morning announcements and have had learners come to the office to personally obtain their ties. Please assist us in congratulating our Young Warriors! We're proud of their accomplishments! Please see the list of our newest college acceptances from this past week! We have more than 192 college acceptance thus far this school year!

News & Announcements

Student Spring Uniforms

Learners will be allowed to begin wearing the Spring uniform starting today, Monday, April 10th. The Spring uniform consists of the maroon polo shirt, khaki pants, a black belt, and black shoes. The maroon polo shirts can be purchased at Flynn O'Hara. *Please note that learners must black shoes and not sneakers nor boots. Learners may continue wearing their winter uniforms. Hoodies are not allowed.*

Office Hours

Office Hours will take place this week.

Virtual Report Card Conferences

Virtual Report Card Conferences will take place on Monday 4/17 from 3pm-7pm. To sign up for a conference, follow these steps:

- 1.Go to https://ptcfast.com/schools/Boys_Latin_of_Philadelphia_High_School
- 2. Click on the conference for your student's educator that you'd like to meet for which your child received a failing grade.
- 3. Fill out the registration information with your student's name, your name, and your email address. You will receive a confirmation email with a link to complete the registration process.
- 4. Click on the link from the confirmation email and select an available time slot.

SAT Testing for Grade 11

Tuesday, April 25th, all 11th grade learners will take their SAT here at BL. 9th, 10th, and 12th graders will have a virtual asynchronous day. The purpose of the SAT is to measure a high school student's readiness for college and provide colleges with one common data point that can be used to compare all applicants.

Application for Philadelphia Board of Education Student Trustee

The Board of Education is accepting applications for two Student Board Representatives and one Alternate for the 2023-2024 school year through April 28, 2023.

This is a compelling opportunity for a civic-minded rising sophomore or junior who attends a district or charter school, and the Board would like to consider an applicant from your school. More information and the application can be found here.



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 responsibility, emotional personal intelligence, and character development. We empower students to understand their voice and increase their fortitude, shaping scholars who are successful in college and beyond.

PAID UPenn Summer Program for Rising 10th-11th Graders

The University of Pennsylvania's Provost's Summer Mentorship Program is designed to increase college access for first-generation, underrepresented students through an immersive, four-week summer college preparatory experience.

Admitted students are paired with one of five University of Pennsylvania Professional Schools based on their interests: Perelman School of Medicine; Nursing School; School of Engineering and Applied Sciences/IT; the Penn Carey School of Law; and the School of Dental Medicine.

Participants experience hands-on, experiential learning developed to offer exploration in various career choices. Participants are also exposed to SAT test preparation, wellness workshops, financial literacy, life skills, and college access workshops.

Details: The program is offered to rising 10th and 11th grade Philadelphia students with a 2.85+ GPA. It will take place in-person from July 10th through August 4th, Mondays through Fridays, 9am-4pm. All participants will receive a stipend of up to \$1,000 upon their successful completion of the program.

https://phillygoes2college.org/2023/02/27/paid-upenn-summer-program-for-rising-10th-11th-graders-apply-by-4-14/

REPEATED WEEKLY REMINDERS

PowerSchool & Kickboard Utilization

1.Please be sure to check your learners' grades on PowerSchool to see any assignments they need to make-up. We recommend doing this on a weekly basis as educators update grades every week.

2.Please check Kickboard to see how your learner is being celebrated or corrected throughout the week. When learners receive 6 corrective behaviors in one week a student will receive a detention

3. If you need login information for your student, please email support@boyslatin.org

Technology Message from IT Team

Please see the message below that was sent to all learners from the IT team.

Learners are all responsible for the equipment Boys' Latin provides for us. Learners should not leave their Chromebooks or AC adapters laying around unattended. If they are lost, the learner and their family are responsible for replacing it.

If a Chromebook is lost, please let us know ASAP by email at support@boyslatin.org. Do not wait a day, a week, a month to say something. When we are informed it is missing, we will check to see if we can locate it. If we cannot, you are responsible for replacing it. Do not take someone else's Chromebook because you lost yours. This is considered theft and will result in immediate disciplinary action.

To purchase a new Chromebook you will need to go to the <u>Boys Latin web site</u> (under Families --> Important Information --> Chromebook Fees) and choose the option for "Lost/Stolen Chromebook". Thanks for your time.

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.

School Uniform

Effective October 3^{rd} learners MUST be in FULL winter uniform. The winter uniform can be purchased at <u>Flynn</u> O'Hara 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 nwashington@boyslatin.org. Additionally, due to warm temperatures, Warriors may substitute the tophalf of the uniform with the Maroon Short Sleeve Collared Shirt with the School Logo until October 3rd.

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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 efn.hs@boyslatin.org 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 frontofficehs@boyslatin.org so that we can effectively address your questions. If you have further concerns, you may email me directly at euthman-olukokun@boyslatin.org

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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