Boys' Latin High School

The Ledger

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Greetings Warrior Nation,

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

Warriors of the Week

Each week, staff will nominate learners for Warrior of the Week who exemplify our three core values of Brotherhood, Integrity, and Scholarship. Our first awardees are:

**9th- Aidan M.: Aidan is a true scholar holding a 3.75 GPA, which is no small feat at BL. Aidan is someone who speaks positivity into his circle of friends. He is someone that you can count on to do the right thing. Aidan recently represented BL as an advocate for equitable education opportunities at our state's capitol. He will do great things in this world, and BL is lucky to call Aidan Marion one of its Warriors!

10th- Ali-Jamil A.: Ali exhibits scholarship in his classes and obtains high marks in most of his classes. He exhibits brotherhood by always being kind and friendly to staff and his peers. During class, he helps his peers to calm down when noise levels rise and to work through problems that they may struggle with. He is always cool, calm, and collected. Ali is a wonderful asset to our school community.

11th- Bryan B.: Bryan's teachers are proud of how responsible he is with his grades. He ensures that he makes up missing assignments, submits projects when they are due, and advocates for himself. He is very respectful and always willing to help a peer or staff member. Bryan, you are amazing, keep up the good work!

12th- Anthony P.: Anthony Parker's tenacity has earned him respect amongst his educators. He remains focused on his responsibilities and takes his work seriously. Anthony is consistent and doesn't allow himself to become sidetracked. His quiet and observant demeanor is reflective of his commitment to his continued growth and development.

** Signifies the Ultimate Warrior of the Week

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 20 college acceptance thus far this school year!

Zamir H. IUP, Bloomsburg U

Angelo F. West Chester U, Johnson & Wales U, Temple U

Javon E. Shippensburg U, West Chester U

Kenneth E.L. Alvernia U

Taisir P. Virginia State U

Khaleem L. Virginia State U

Taliq J. Virginia State U

Kamari M. Virginia State U

Nykeem T. Virginia State U

Tramayne W. Indiana University of Pennsylvania



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

Boys' Latin Key Dates	
November 21	10th Grade Summit & Monday 2PM Early Dismissal (Staff PD)
November 23-25	Thanksgiving Break (No School)
December 2	EFN Presents: A Night of Jazz for Parents 6pm-9pm (No students/children allowed)
December 3	Saturday School (9am-12pm)
December 7	Interim Reports sent home
December 9	BL Brothers in Song Winter Music Concert
December 9	Picture Retakes

Barbers Who Care

Thank you to the Barbers Who Care organization for assisting in giving close to 40 learners haircuts while giving out countless Thanksgiving food baskets and Turkeys on Sunday! The event was a success, and our learners left the middle school with **freshhhhhhh**h haircuts!



Too Much Light Makes the Baby Go Blind Play

Thank you to all of the families that came and supported our Young Warriors as they showcased their talents in the play "Too Much Light Makes the Baby Go Blind". They were hilarious and put on a great show. We look forward to welcoming you to seeing more of our Young Warriors talents during our *December 9th music concert led by our very own BL Brothers in Song (see attached flier)*!

Advocacy Day on Capitol Hill

We want to send a Shout Out to the families that attended Advocacy Day at Capitol Hill in Harrisburg last week! Your voices and representation matter as we continue to bring in resources to best support our learners. We want to send a special Shout Out to our Ultimate Warrior of the Week, Aidan M., who spoke to our politicians on behalf of BL!

Thanksgiving Break: No School 11/23-11/25

This is a reminder that there is no school on Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday this week. We hope that you all enjoy the break with tons of food, fun, and quality time with loved ones.

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

Student Laptops & Tech Support

All students and families must submit all technology related (laptop, passwords, chargers login information) issues/requests to support@boyslatin.org.

In-Person technology support is available to learners during their lunch period on *Tuesdays & Thursdays*. Our IT specialist can be found in room 311

All learners and their parents have received the *One-to-One Laptop Program Policy* and signed the *One-to-One Laptop Program Agreement*. This means all learners and their parents are accountable to the policy. Students must report damage, issues, and concerns related to their schoolissued device (Chromebook and Chromebook charger) to the Technology Department within one school day. Damage due to negligence as well as loss or theft of a school-issued device is the responsibility of the student and their parent. The fee for a lost or stolen Chromebook is \$300.00 and the fee for a lost or stolen Chromebook charger is \$45.00. In the event a school-issued device is stolen, if the student or parent report of the incident is deemed credible, the school will replace the device at no charge to the student or parent. Damage due to negligence or loss of a schoolissued device are level two or level three violations of the school's *Code of Conduct*

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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.

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

School Uniform

Effective October 3rd learners MUST be in FULL winter uniform. The winter uniform can be purchased at Flynn 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 <u>nwashington@boyslatin.org</u>. 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.

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 euthmanolukokun@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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