



PARENT LEDGER VOLUME XII

**BLACK
HISTORY
MONTH
2023**



Happy Black History Month

Greetings Warrior Parents and Guardians,

There are many important details listed below please read carefully.

Important Dates

2/13 Virtual Report Card Conferences
3:00-7:00PM

2/20 President Day(No school for students and staff)

2/22 Black History Oratorical Presentation
5:30 PM-6:30 PM

3/9 Boys' Latin United Mother/Son Sultan Fans(Dance Party)

Important Information and Resources about Boys' Latin Middle School can be found on our school website at [Boys' Latin for Families](#) under Important Information.

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**Weekly
Highlights**

Shout out to all the Fathers and Father Figures that attended our Donuts and Dads Event on Saturday 1/28. Huge Thank you to Our Extended Family Network Team for hosting the event.

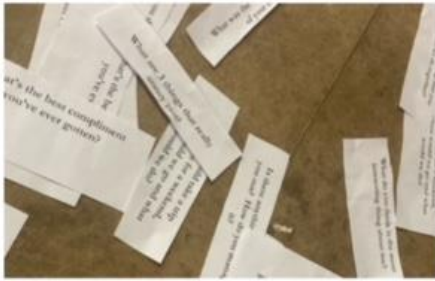
Our CEO Dr. William Hayes , did a excellent job leading our fathers and father figures in a discussion and activities about communication, perspective and trust. It was great to see that some of our warriors asked some of our Black male staff members to attend because they view them as mentors and father figures!



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Eagles Gear and Eagles Green Day



Science Field Trip to Crystal Cave





Black
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BLACK HISTORY MONTH

EVENTS

Melanin Mondays- Weekly
NP-HC Discussion- 2/15
Oratorical Presentation- 2/22
Conscious Conversation Podcast
BHM Essays for NMAAH Trip

#BLACKEXCELLENCE

Melanin
Mondays in
February

During the month of February staff and students can dress down every Monday wearing Dashikis or Socially Conscious tops that represent or celebrate Black culture.

MELANIN MONDAY



Wear a dashiki, socially conscious top, or something that represents your culture with any bottom

Tardiness and Boycotting Corner Store

Tardiness

To help address student lateness we ask all parents **please talk to your student about NOT going to the corner store after 7:50AM.** A significant number of warriors arrive late to the building because they go to the corner store to order food in the morning. I will be talking to surrounding stores to request that they don't serve our students after that time.

Store Boycott

It was brought to our attention that store clerks at the **Juana Grocery located on 62nd and Callowhill** accused 2 of our warriors of stealing. After students objected, they were asked to empty their pockets and they had no items. When students complained about the treatment the clerk told them to leave and brandish a weapon in his waist to intimidate students. **We are asking that the Warrior community no longer spend their money at this store. There is another store on 62nd and Vine and 63th and Girard that students and staff can patronize.**

Dismissal and Community Horseplaying

As the weather changes and our 6th and new 7th grade students get comfortable traveling home by themselves. Please have conversations with your warriors about how they conduct themselves in the community and traveling home. Neighbors have reached about students horseplaying in the community and being boisterous and using profane language. These behaviors are not indicative of Boys' Latin Warriors. Please have

conversations with your Warrior about who they are traveling home with and about being true to themselves and not following the crowd.

PLEASE NOTE while students are traveling home or coming to school, and they are engaging in behaviors that violate our code of conduct they will still receive school consequences.

Purchasing Ties and Belts

If your Warrior is in need of a tie or a belt you can purchase ties and adjustable black belts on our [Boys' Latin Website](#).

Ties: \$12

Belts: \$5

Technology Updates

1. All students and families must submit all technology related (laptop, passwords, chargers login information) issues/ requests to support@boyslatin.org.
2. In-Person technology support is available to students during their lunch period on **Tuesdays and Thursdays**. Out IT specialist is available to middle school students on the stage in the dining hall during each lunch period.
3. All students and their parents have received the *One-to-One Laptop Program Policy* and signed the *One-to-One Laptop Program Agreement*. This means all students and their parents are accountable to the policy. Students must report damage, issues, and concerns related to their school-issued 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 school-issued device are level two or level three violations of the school's *Code of Conduct*

REPEATED REMINDERS


- A. Uniforms
- B. Ways to Support Your Warrior
- C. Student Attendance and Weekly Reminders
- D. Dismissal
- E. Extended Family Network(EFN)

The Man Box

Please join us in helping dismantle the Man Box and redefining what manhood is. To learn more about the Man Box please check out this [video](#) and website [A Call to Men](#)

Each report period, each grade will focus on dismantling a stereotype in the man box and focus on exemplifying the behaviors that boys/men should exemplify.

WHAT IS



A CALL TO MEN

Represents how boys and male-identified people are taught to view manhood, women, and girls.

INSIDE THE MAN BOX:

- Women and girls are objects, the property of men, and have less value than men
- Boys and men should not cry or openly express emotion
- Boys and men should not show fear or weakness
- Boys and men should not "act like a girl"
- Boys and men should be decisive and not ask for, offer, or accept help
- Aggression equals dominance

Using PowerSchool and Kickboard

1. **Please be sure to check your students' grades on PowerSchool to see any assignments they need to make-up. We recommend doing this on a weekly basis as teachers update grades every week.**
2. Please check Kickboard to see how your student is being celebrated or corrected throughout the week. When students 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

Winter Uniforms

Starting October 11th students MUST be in FULL winter uniform.
 Please see image below as an example of the full winter uniform
 Items can be purchased at [Flynn O'Hara](#) online or in-stores
Blue Oxford Shirt
Stripped Tie
Boys' Latin V-neck Sweater
Khaki Pants
Black Belt
All Black Shoes(No sneakers or boots)



Quick Ways to Support Your Warrior

1. Locker Support

Many of our warriors need practice opening their lockers. Please have your warrior practice opening a combination lock by using the following link [Combination Lock Practice](#). You can practice directly on a cell phone.

2. Laptop Charging

Please make sure your warriors' laptop is charged each night and they bring it to school everyday.

3. Make sure your warrior brings their ID every morning for attendance purposes.

If your warrior did not get their picture taken or lost their ID they can see our IT specialist on Tuesday and Thursday during their lunch period.

Student Attendance and Early Dismissal

Arriving on Time

Students are late if they arrive after **7:59AM**. It is imperative that students arrive before 8AM so they can get to class on time. **If students arrive after 7:59 they must enter through the Visitor Main Entrance.** You can always see your students' attendance on PowerSchool.

Early Dismissals

Students are **NOT** allowed to be dismissed by phone or email. Only a parent or an emergency contact can pick-up a student for an early dismissal.

All early dismissals must occur before 2:30PM.

Dismissal

Please do not double park your car on Callowhill Street. 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.

**Boys' Latin
Extended
Family
Network**

Extended Family Network at the middle school. Extended Family Network is like a home and school association. Together we can build a framework for the future and promote mutual understanding, cooperation, and communication among families, teachers, 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 students feel excited to come to school and feel encouraged by their entire community. I cannot express how crucial it is to have our families involved in this endeavor.

Please consider becoming an active member of Boys' Latin Extended Family network. 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 send an email to efn.ms@boyslatin.org expressing your interest to partner with the network.