# **PARENT NOTICE**

ANNUAL NOTICE OF SERVICES FOR STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES INCLUDING SPECIAL EDUCATION AND PROTECTED HANDICAPPED STUDENTS



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### NOTICE TO PARENTS

According to state and federal special education regulations, annual public notice to parents of children who reside within a school district is required regarding child find responsibilities. Charter schools are required to conduct child find activities for children who may be eligible for services. This notice shall inform parents of students interested in, or parents of students already attending Boys' Latin of the child identification activities and of the procedures followed to ensure confidentiality of information pertaining to students with disabilities.

#### **EVALUATION PROCESS**

Boys' Latin has a procedure in place by which parents can request an evaluation either verbally or in writing. For information about procedures applicable to your child, contact the school. *Telephone numbers of contacts can be found on the left side of this notice*.

#### CONSENT

School entities cannot proceed with an evaluation, or with the initial provision of special education and related services, without the written consent of the parents. For additional information related to consent, please refer the Procedural Safeguards Notice which can be found at the PaTTAN website, <u>www.Pattan.net</u>. Once written parental consent is obtained, Boys' Latin will proceed with the evaluation process. If the parent disagrees with the evaluation, the parent can request an independent education evaluation at public expense.



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#### MORE INFORMATION

Boys' Latin welcomes all who share our mission for children. We do not discriminate in educational programs, or activities based on external, or perceived difference, but will empower our young men with a rigorous, beneficially rewarding and diverse school program. No school pupil enrolled in Boys' Latin shall be denied equal opportunity to participate in age and program appropriate instruction or activities due to race, color, handicap, creed, national origin, or financial hardship.

\*This notice is only a summary of the Special Education services, evaluation and screening activities, and rights and protections pertaining to children with disabilities, children thought to be disabled, and their parents. For more information or to request evaluation or screening of a child contact the school.

## **PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT**

Once the evaluation process is completed, a team of qualified professionals determine whether the child is eligible. If the child is eligible, the individualized education program team meets, develops the program, and determines the educational placement. Once the IEP team develops the program and determines the educational placement, Boys' Latin will issue a notice of recommended educational placement/prior written notice. Your written consent is required before initial services can be provided. The parent has the right to revoke consent after initial placement.

#### CONFIDENTIALITY OF INFORMATION

Boys' Latin maintains records concerning all children enrolled in the school, including students with disabilities. All records are maintained in the strictest confidentiality. Your consent, or consent of an eligible child who has reached the age of majority under State law, must be obtained before personally identifiable information is released, except as permitted under the Family Education Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA). The age of majority in Pennsylvania is 21. Each participating agency must protect the confidentiality of personally identifiable information at collection, storage, disclosure, and destruction stages. One official at each participating agency must assume responsibility for ensuring the confidentiality of any personally identifiable information. Each participating agency must maintain, for public inspection, a current listing of the names and positions of those employees within the agency who have access to personally identifiable information. For additional information related to student records, the parent can refer to the Family Education Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA).

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"Faber est quisque fortunae suae." "Every man is the architect of his own future."