Every man is the architect of his own fortune.



Boys' Latin of Philadelphia Charter School | 215.387.5149 | 5501 Cedar Ave, Philadelphia, PA 19143

Admissions Policy and Process

Boys' Latin of Philadelphia ("Boys' Latin") is a public school operating under a charter granted by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the School District of Philadelphia. Boys' Latin is a school of choice, and it is important for both parents and applicants to know the level of academia required. All applying are encouraged to do due diligence to learn about our extended school day and our rigorous curriculum, which is exclusively college preparatory with a Latin language requirement. Additionally, applicants should note that the unique school year calendar for all incoming ninth grade students; these students will begin their freshman year with a summer session beginning at the end of June. This is a part of the school calendar for these students, and attendance is mandatory. Boys' Latin is serious about student achievement and expects that students and families will embrace those expectations.

Preferences

Boys' Latin offers sibling preference for any applicant that has a sibling currently attending or a sibling that has graduated from Boys' Latin. These relationships are verified through the school's informational database.

Enrollment Targets

Admission to the school is open to all eligible students citywide – boys who reside within the City of Philadelphia who are rising to either sixth or ninth grade exclusively. Boys' Latin does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, nationality, creed, orientation, ethnicity, mental and physical disability, proficiency in English, or prior academic achievement when admitting students. Furthermore, the student's right to be admitted to the school is not conditioned on the student's immigration status and Boys' Latin does not inquire regarding the immigration status of a student as part of the admission process. The school strives to maintain an average daily membership that equates to the enrollment cap provided by Charter Authorizers. Boys' Latin students and families are recruited through the school's participation in the City's High School Fair. The school also participates in individual school's (traditional public, public charter, and parochial) admissions fairs throughout the City of Philadelphia. Boys' Latin also advertises through local print and public media.

Application Availability

The Boys' Latin application is available on the school's website (www.boyslatin.org) under the Enroll tab. Within this section of the website, students and families can access and submit an application. Applications are available in English and Spanish.

Application Submission

Applications for Boys' Latin may be done electronically through the SchoolMint system or with a paper application. The link to apply to Boys' Latin electronically will be live on September 25, 2020. Paper applications should be submitted to the main office of the high school: 5501 Cedar Avenue, Philadelphia, PA 19143. Applications may be obtained in person at the aforementioned address, on the school website (www.boyslatin.org), or via email as requested. Boys' Latin also accepts the Philadelphia Charter School Standard Application.

Lottery and Post-Lottery

Selection of students for admission to Boys' Latin is done by lottery. The lottery date, time, and location are posted on the Boys' Latin website, though attendance at the lottery is not required for admission. Students selected in the lottery are accepted to Boys' Latin. Those not selected are placed on a waiting list. All families are notified via the SchoolMint Enrollment Portal through email or text. Following the lottery and acceptance, parents must complete registration by completing or providing Proof of Child's Age; Proof of Residency; Proof of Immunizations; a Home Language Survey; and a Parent Registration Statement. All of these materials are completed and submitted through the SchoolMint Enrollment Portal. Families must complete all information thoroughly and meet all deadlines to reserve their acceptance; they will have a minimum of four weeks to complete these forms (with exceptions made for families with language barriers). These forms include all student information necessary to complete the registration requirements of Pennsylvania Charter Law (PA Act 22 of 1997). Additional information may be requested in the admission process. However, Boys' Latin does not prohibit or delay admission contingent upon receipt of this additional information. Once the registration is completed, families attend a New Parent Orientation session on one of two dates.

Following the enrollment period, families from the waiting list are contacted and offered a spot as and if they are available. Should there be space available after the lottery after the waitlist has been exhausted, students will be admitted on a first come, first served basis. The school typically enrolls students admitted after the lottery within on business day but no later than five business days. The school will host Information Sessions as a means of outreach to these families so they can learn about Boys' Latin. Please call the Enrollment Office at 215-387-5149 if you have any questions about the enrollment process.

Application Timeline for the 2021-2022 School Year

Date	Event/Action
September 25, 2020 through January 31, 2021	Application Window
February 10, 2021	Enrollment Lottery
February 10, 2021	The families of students selected for enrollment will be notified via email or via text through the SchoolMint Enrollment Portal.
	The families of waitlisted students will be notified via email or via text through the SchoolMint Enrollment Portal.
February 10, 2021	The families of students selected for enrollment should begin completing all required registration forms through the SchoolMint Enrollment Portal. The deadline for completion of all forms is March 22, 2021.
March 16, 2021	New Parent Orientation Session (Option #1) – High School
March 18, 2021	New Parent Orientation Session (Option #1) – Middle School
March 20, 2021 at 9:00AM	New Parent Orientation Session (Option #2) – High School
March 20, 2021 at 10:30AM	New Parent Orientation Session (Option #2) – Middle School
March 22, 2021	Final date for families to complete required enrollment forms.