



## Boys' Latin of Philadelphia Middle School Ledger Friday, October 25, 2019

### Thursday, October 31, 2019: Dismissal at 12:10pm (Half Day for Middle Schoolers) and BLMS Harvest Festival 2019

This will be a fun filled day to enjoy the Autumn season, in addition to discussing and engaging in Unity Day Anti-Bullying Awareness lessons and activities. Parent volunteers and Teacher volunteers are working on decorations, Harvest festival activities, Unity themed music and videos, and healthy snack distributions during lunchtime. If you would like to participate with setup, snack distribution, activities, or festival break-down, please e-mail Ms. Allen: [tallen@boyslatin.org](mailto:tallen@boyslatin.org).

### Middle School Attendance and Lateness

Dear Families,

It's important that all students are present and on-time for school daily. **School doors open at 7:25am** to all students, and we provide a free and balanced breakfast daily between 7:25am-7:45am for every student to enjoy. **School begins promptly at 8:00am!**

Tardiness has increased over the last two weeks due to students frequenting the local stores for breakfast when they are expected to be in school. In order to keep our young men safe and on-time for school, I have been present at the local stores to usher students to school. However, **I am asking for all available parents to help us stand on the corners between 7:35am-8:05am to safely guide our boys to school.**

I am calling on our BL "Village" to come together to combat this issue immediately. Even if you can only stand with us for five minutes to greet students, it's helpful and needed! Looking forward to more parental and guardian support between 7:35am-8:05am daily.

Educationally yours,  
Principal Allen

**Wednesday, October 30, 2019:** Rolling Thunder Skating Rink Inventive trip. Students needed three filled merit cards by October 22, 2019. Students suspended in October are ineligible to participate.

**6th Grade WordGen Weekly:** Our 6th graders took a break from WordGen weekly last week but resumed the program Tuesday. This week's current issue was, "Does rap music have a negative impact on youth?". Next week, the students will discuss, "Mummies: Who owns the dead?" Ask your Warrior if they can tell you about the new words they learned this week!

Vocabulary words learned this week: considerable, contribute, demonstrate, sufficient and valid

### MANDATORY: FULL Uniforms MUST be worn!

Please ensure that students are leaving home wearing their full winter uniform which includes the maroon Boys' Latin sweater, blue button down Oxford shirt, black belt, black socks, khaki pants, black Eastland shoes, and the maroon and blue tie. **Lanyards have been reordered for all students and will become a uniform requirement soon!**

Sweaters and ties can be purchased from Flynn & O'Hara: 10905 Dutton Road, Philadelphia, PA 19154; Telephone: (215) 637-4600. Order online at: <https://www.flynnohara.com/>. Please ensure your son has his winter uniform so he does not miss any classes for uniform issues.

**Monday, October 28, 2019: Thanksgiving Food Drive**  
Boys' Latin will be holding our first Thanksgiving Food Drive that will benefit our West Philadelphia community. We are collecting non-perishable items such as: stuffing, mac and cheese, cornbread, canned vegetables, canned sweet potatoes, gravy, canned fruit, mashed potatoes, etc. We will be donating these items directly to **ACHIEVEability located on N.**



**60th Street that will** then distribute Thanksgiving Meal baskets to families in our community.

**Our food drive will begin Monday, October 28th and end on Monday, November 18th.** We want to make this fun for our Warriors, so we will be making it a competition amongst our advisory classrooms! The advisory with the most collected items will win a Pizza party. Second place advisory will win an ice cream social and lastly, third place will earn a crazy sock dress down day.

We thank you in advance for helping us give back to our community. Any questions about the food drive can be directed to Ms. Galanti at [agalanti@boyslatin.org](mailto:agalanti@boyslatin.org)