

School Closed – Monday, February 17th

The school will be closed for the observation of Presidents Day on Monday, February 17th.

Warrior of the Week

This week's Warrior of the Week was noted by his nominating teacher for always being responsible, bright and honest. He took a leadership role in the seminar's door decorations for black history month. He has been a consistent top performer in AP and Honors classes all year. He has grown into a mature student who is understanding the power of his voice. It was clear his peers respect him as they cheered for him in the hallways after he was announced Warrior of the Week. For his integrity, brotherhood and scholarship, I am pleased to announce **Jameir Vincent** as our Warrior of the Week.

College Acceptance

Congratulations to **David Anaya** who was admitted to Merrimack College, Wheeling University and Moravian college. Congratulations to **Zaquir Jones** who was admitted to Bates College. Congratulations to **Jamier Vincent** who was admitted to Ohio Wesleyan University. Congratulations to **Justin Hall** who was admitted to Penn State University. Congratulations to **Jahiem Garrison** who was admitted to Albright College. Congratulations to **Sharif Nelson** who was admitted to Penn State University.

EFN Meeting and Principal's Dessert – Tuesday, February 25th @ 6 pm

Please plan on joining us for our next Extended Family Network meeting on February 25th at 6 pm at the high school. This will be a chance to converse with Principal McDaniel, eat some great dessert and plan upcoming EFN events for the spring. If you plan to join us for the meeting please RSVP to <u>rmcdaniel@boyslatin.org</u> or by phoning Ms. Sheppard at 215-387-5149.

Spring Showcase – Thursday, March 12th

Parents, guardians, neighbors, and friends are cordially invited to the Boys' Latin 2020 Spring Showcase. Please join us for a celebration of our students' effort and dedication. Come see artwork, writing, projects, presentations, and performance our students have been working on all year!

Thursday, March 12, 2020, from 6-8pm at the High School building, 5501 Cedar Avenue.

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Prizes will be awarded.

All students are encouraged to submit their best work to their teachers for display. Questions can be directed to English and Art teachers or sent to showcase@boyslatin.org

Celebrating Black History Month at Boys' Latin

The Boys' Latin faculty has put a great amount of time and energy into planning some wonderful programs to celebrate Black History Month. We wanted to highlight some of the things that will be going on this month so families can feel connected to the celebration happen at school throughout February.

Student Government will be highlighting different black historical figures who have made major contributions to society. These announcements are intended to peak student interest and encourage them to look more in depth at these amazing individuals on their own.

Bulletin Boards will be decorated to recognize and celebrate black culture across various mediums. Each department is decorating a bulletin board as it relates to their subject of study.

Seminars will be competing in a door decoration contest. The doors will be decorated to honor individuals, group of individuals, ideas, concepts, or movements that are significant to black culture or black history. The decorations will be judged and the seminar with the winning door decoration will receive a pizza party on Feb. 26th.

On Wednesday, February 26th, the school will have a dress down day. Students will participate by dressing down and wearing clothing in recognition or support of black culture and history.

Members of history black college fraternities were in the building Friday, February 14th speaking with students and greeting our young men as they went to class during passing periods. Two of our Alumni from University of Pennsylvania, Keith Bolden and Nate Morris were among the fraternity members making a strong presence in the building.

There will be a series of guest speakers, specifically black entrepreneurs and elders coming to speak with students during classes or in special summits. We have numerous special speakers lined up. Just to

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highlight one of the speakers that will be coming to speak to our students next week please see the bio below.



Sabir M Peele is the founder and creative director of the style blog <u>Men's Style Pro</u>. He got his initial recognition in the men's fashion seen by being selected as one of the "5 Best Dressed Men In America" by Esquire Magazine in 2010 & as #GQFall 2013 Best Dressed Man. As of 2014, the North Philadelphia-native has served as a freelance brand ambassador & executive stylist for GQ Magazine, hosted web series for Esquire Magazine & AskMen.com. As a blogger, Peele has collaborated with brands like Lexus, Allen Edmonds, David Yurman, Adidas and many others. In 2018, Peele was awarded a Best of Philly award for his designed collaboration with Philadelphiabased, Italian-American menswear house Moda Matters. Outside of that partnerships, Sabir serves as an independent brand consultant, helping brands tell their story through social media strategy and product design. Stay up-to-date with Peele via <u>@MensStylePro</u> on Instagram.

2020 Step into College Conference

Hosted by Steppingstone Scholars, the University of the Sciences, and the Office of Councilmember Katherine Gilmore Richardson

The 7th annual Step into College Conference is taking place on Saturday, March 7th from 9am-1pm at the University of the Sciences (43rd and Woodland). The conference is open to all 8th - 12th grade students as well as their families and will feature workshops and speakers on college readiness, career preparation, writing essays, financial aid, and more. It is free to attend.

You can register here: <u>https://sitc2020-saturday.eventbrite.com</u>

Georgetown Law Early Outreach Initiative – Project 1000

Project 1000 is a program designed to increase the diversity of the law school applicant pool. Participation includes a visit from the Georgetown Law Dean of Admissions, a visit from current Georgetown Law students who will share their experiences, and a trip to the campus of Georgetown Law School. Additionally, student participants will be connected with law students and lawyers in

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Philadelphia who will provide mentoring and guidance in studying law. Interested students should email Dr. Tennant at ntennant@boyslatin.org.

There is a free FAFSA completion workshop sponsored by the Free Library and PHEAA happening this Saturday, February 15th, from 11:00am to 2:00pm at the Free Library at 1901 Vine Street. All seniors who intend to attend a 4-year college next fall should get their FAFSA and State Grant application done ASAP. If you cannot attend this workshop, you are also welcome to contact Mrs. Bonner or Ms. Tedesco for assistance.

Warriors' Basketball

The varsity basketball team defeated West 76-73 on Tuesday in the 2nd round of the public league playoffs. **Adam Clark** had 20 points and **Amir Mims** added 19 points.

The basketball team lost a close battle to MCS in the quarterfinals of the public league playoffs. Boys' Latin is one of only 5 schools to compete in the quarterfinals of the public league playoffs the past two seasons.

The Warriors next play Olney on Friday, February 21st in a 6A state qualifying match up.

Warriors' Bowling

The bowling team had an exciting come from behind victory against Lincoln with six straight strikes in the 2nd game to secure a win by 19 pins. The bowling team of **Jasan Brown, Michael Chism, Symere Cunningham, Myles Jones** and K**endall Battles** will take on Engineering and Science in an attempt to win their 3rd consecutive public league championship. The match will be on Wednesday, February 19th.

Warriors' Wrestling

The wrestling team is competing at the public league wrestling championships this weekend at South Philly High School.