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### Warrior of the Week

This week's Warrior of the Week nomination stated that every moment he is filled with joy for learning, integrity, and brotherhood. He cheerfully goes about his business every day and encourages his brothers to be better people. He stays late every day to get his work done. He is so curious and thoughtful, makes it a joy to teach him because he is so grateful for what he learns and so excited to make connections. An under the radar all-star who does everything right, quietly and consistently. For his integrity, brotherhood and scholarship I am pleased to announce **Thomas Williams** as our Warrior of the Week.

### College Acceptance

Congratulations to Matin Moody who was admitted to Harrisburg University. Congratulations to Imere Williams who was admitted to Morehouse College. Congratulations to Malachi Phippen who was admitted to Marywood University, Lincoln University, College of Saint Elizabeth, Wilkes University and King's College.

### EFN Meeting and Principal's Dessert – Tuesday, February 25<sup>th</sup> @ 6 pm

Please plan on joining us for our next Extended Family Network meeting on February 25<sup>th</sup> 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. We will also have a chance to review our title I funding and how those funds are implemented for our students. If you plan to join us for the meeting please RSVP to [rmcdaniel@boyslatin.org](mailto:rmcdaniel@boyslatin.org) or by phoning Ms. Sheppard at 215-387-5149.

### Free Library of Philadelphia – No More Late Fines

The Free Library no longer charges fines for overdue materials. What's more, all existing overdue fines have been removed from patrons' library cards! Overdue fines keep many patrons from enjoying all the Library has to offer, and evidence shows they have no significant impact on the return rate of checked-out materials. Removing them will bring people and materials back through our doors, creating a more welcoming Free Library for all Philadelphians.

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### **Spring Showcase – Thursday, March 12<sup>th</sup>**

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.

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](mailto: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. 26<sup>th</sup>.

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 14<sup>th</sup> speaking with

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

**Jason Tucker Bio:** Jason Tucker is the Vice President of Acquisitions and Development at The Goldenberg Group where he works with Philadelphia communities and diverse groups of stakeholders to conceptualize, underwrite, and execute complex real estate transactions. Jason works to build transformative projects knowing that successful developments require collaboration and commitment from all parties involved. During the development process, Jason provides leadership dedicated to achieving a singular cohesive vision while also providing the foresight to identify tomorrow's needs today. Jason also serves on the boards of multiple community-based civics organizations and education institutions.

He currently serves on the board of the Center City District, as board secretary of Deep Roots Charter School, and as a 2018-19 member of Leadership Philadelphia's "Keepers" class. Formerly, Jason served as one of the Committee of Seventy's inaugural class of Buchholz Fellows, as a board of Young Involved Philadelphia, and as the President of the United Francisville Civic Association. In 2018, Jason was also identified by the Philadelphia Business Journal as a "40 under 40" award recipient. Jason is also a licensed attorney in Pennsylvania and New Jersey. Jason holds a J.D. from Temple University as well as a B.A. from Amherst College.

### **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: <https://sitc2020-saturday.eventbrite.com>

### **Georgetown Law Early Outreach Initiative – Project 1000**

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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 Philadelphia who will provide mentoring and guidance in studying law. Interested students should email Dr. Tennant at [ntennant@boyslatin.org](mailto:ntennant@boyslatin.org).

### **Warriors' Basketball**

The varsity basketball team play against Olney today in a state playoff qualifying match up.

### **Philadelphia All-Public Basketball Team Selections**

Congratulations to Amir Mims who was selected 2<sup>nd</sup> team all-public league. Congratulations to Adam Clark who was selected 3<sup>rd</sup> team all-public league.

### **Warriors' Bowling**

The bowling team won their 3<sup>rd</sup> consecutive public league bowling championship defeating Engineering and Science on Wednesday. Kendall Battles started off championship match strong bowling a 212 in the first game and Michael Chism add a game of 190 as the Warriors took a 70 pin lead into the second game.

In the second game Symere Cunningham stepped up in a huge way. He bowled 7 consecutive strikes to start the game. He bowled the best game of his life scoring a 233 in the most clutch moment. Myles Jones added a huge game of 176 in the second game and Jasan Brown was Mr. Consistency bowling over 150 in both games. Ultimately the warriors took the second game 908 to 730. They even won the final baker game securing the public league title in a route, winning by over 250 pins.

Congratulations to the bowling team for this amazing feat of 3 straight public league titles!

### **Warriors' Wrestling**

The Wrestling team had three wrestlers place at the public league tournament; Nasir Wilson finished in 4<sup>th</sup> place in his weight class. Jaheim Oates finished 4<sup>th</sup> in for his weight class. Tavion Hill finished 3<sup>rd</sup>. All three will be participating in the district tournament this Saturday at St. Joseph's Prep.

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