



**DISTANCE LEARNING CONTINUES AT BOYS' LATIN:
HERE IS HOW YOU CAN HELP!**

March 19, 2020

Dear Boys' Latin Family,

I hope this email finds you safe, sanitized, and sane as we make sense of the ever-dynamic news and updates. We are all navigating new routines and protocols. However, our resolve to challenge, support, and enrich students remains the same. **Our distance learning plan is still in effect through March 27.** Please note that the School District of Philadelphia's decision to end remote learning instruction does not apply to Boys' Latin of Philadelphia. We will continue to offer online teaching and learning to our students.

By now your son should have logged into his Google Classrooms. As a reminder, students are expected to complete all work and submit it per teachers' requirements. These assignments are an essential part of your son's academic growth, and they are designed to further shape students' cognitive development.

So many of you have asked how you can help. Please continue to partner with us by ensuring your son is completing his assignments. While it is important to teach students independent learning skills, we do ask that you take the time to monitor your son's progress. Furthermore, find ways to engage him in the new topics and learning. Ask him to explain his assignments to you. Challenge him to find connections between what he's reading/learning and the world around him. Encourage him to ask questions of you and his teachers. While the coronavirus calls for new norms of social distancing, it may also provide new possibilities for coming together. Please consider how you may be able to motivate your son by being a thought-partner who challenges him to think critically and analytically about his learning.

As a reminder, the Boys' Latin team is still available and ready to provide you with the supports you need. Our social workers stand poised to offer help to students in need of emotional support – Ms. Morales can be reached at ymorales@boyslatin.org, and Mr. Bourne can be reached at kbourne@boyslatin.org. The IT team will be available on Friday, March 20, from 10:00 am to 12:00 noon. (Please email them at blaccountinfo@boyslatin.org in advance.) Finally, breakfasts and lunches will be distributed on Monday, March 23, from 8:00 am to 10:00 am.

In trying times, we will continue to come together. Thank you for your partnership. We are proud to be part of this community.

Sincerely,

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