Boys' Latin High School

The Ledger

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Greetings Warrior Nation,

Happy Monday! Below are this week's news and announcements!

Important Dates

11/11 Veteran's Day (Virtual Asynchronous Day

11/12 End of Quarter 1

11/13 Saturday School

11/22 & 11/23 Virtual 1st Quarter Report Card Conferences

Warriors of the Week

Each week, staff will nominate learners for Warrior of the Week who exemplify our three core values of Brotherhood, Integrity, and Scholarship. Our first awardees are:

9th Grade – Khalil S.: "He is consistently performing above expectations, submits excellent work, and is not afraid to advocate for himself as needed."

10th Grade – Karim M.: "Karim is constantly engaged and helping his peers to stay engaged in class, going above and beyond with the work, and a kind and collaborative classmate."

11th Grade - Kamari M.: "Kamari has gone above and beyond this year many times. He has gone out of his way to help teachers when they need it. He is always a smiling face and he has been a leader amongst students."

**12th Grade – Jahmir G.M.: "Jahmir is always an active participant in class and shows enthusiasm for content and learning. Always on top of his own work, he goes out of his way to help his classmates who may be struggling, never giving them the answers but instead guiding them in the right direction. He displays kindness, patience, initiative, and leadership!"

** Signifies the Ultimate Warrior of the Week

No Leadership Academy This Week

LA will not take place this week. Learners will be able to take advantage of Office Hours on Tuesday and Wednesday to make up work before the close of the 1st quarter.

Veteran's Day- Virtual Asynchronous Instruction

The high school and middle school will have an <u>asynchronous virtual day from home on Veterans Day, Thursday November 11th</u>. There will be no in-person classes. All classes will have a lesson posted on Schoology.

Report Card Conferences

We will host virtual report card conferences to meet with families on November 22nd and November 23rd. Below is the schedule which includes the evening sessions. Virtual Report Card Conference links will be created and shared families via our Ledger.

November 22- 2pm-6pm (includes evening conference)

November 23 2pm-4pm

Destination Success Free Virtual Male Conference

Lincoln University is hosting its 2nd annual Destination Success Free Virtual Male Conference, taking place Saturday, December 11, 2021, from 1-4 pm. Registration can be found at this link: https://forms.gle/UQf3o57c7iaACw889

The conference features different workshops from a variety of speakers and panelists ranging from financial literacy to mental health to personal branding. To view the conference schedule, please visit the Destination Success website https://destsuccess.weebly.com/schedule.html

Uniform Pieces for Sale

At the high school, we have a limited supply of Oxford shirts and ties for sale. Shirts at \$20 and ties are \$15.



Mission

We prepare boys for success in college and beyond, using as our foundation a classical Latin education, the positive influence of brotherhood, and rich relationships. We are a community that values and cultivates critical thinking, personal responsibility, emotional intelligence, and character development.

Vision

Boys' Latin of Philadelphia is a collaborative community of motivated students, supportive families, and dedicated educators. The school serves as a national college-preparatory model for educating boys by nurturing personal responsibility, emotional intelligence, and character development. We empower students to understand their voice and increase their fortitude, shaping scholars who are successful in college and beyond.

11th Grade Thrive Scholars Opportunity

The <u>Core Program</u> recruits high-achieving students of color from low-income backgrounds in 11th grade. Scholars participate in two free Summer Academy programs, receive 1-on-1 mentorship as they apply to college, academic and social-emotional support during their transition into their college experience, and career development programming to prepare them for taking their first steps towards meaningful careers.

The new On-Ramp Program is an early identification initiative for high-achieving male African American 10th graders from low-income backgrounds. On-Ramp Scholars will also attend a Summer Academy program and get earlier exposure to our pre-college advising, academic support, and intentional community building programming. We hope that these students will feed into the Core Program cohort in their junior year for an additional 6 years of support as they go to, through, and beyond college.

Office Hours

We will begin having office hours every Wednesday. Office Hours will provide educators an opportunity to support learners that need academic support. Office Hours will take place every Wednesday from 3:25-4pm. During that time, learners will be able to meet with any educator for academic support. Leadership Academy will NOT take place on Wednesdays moving forward in order for educators to support learners. Leadership Academy will take place on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

Temple Upward Bound (9th & 10th Grade)

Temple University will be hosting an Upward Bound program for 9th and 10th grade learners. Upward Bound is a program which provides learners exploration in various career fields, professional development workshops, campus visits, SAT prep, and much more. We encourage you to apply by the 11/8 deadline using the following link:

: https://forms.gle/LSqVVCG6yvHPnjDN8

Updated Family Contact Information

In order to ensure that we have the correct contact information for each family, we ask that you complete the following brief survey which will be used to update family contact information. https://bit.ly/BLcontactupdate

Family Online Platform Logins:

PowerSchool

Click here to access PowerSchool.

Schoology

Click here to access Schoology.

<u>Email</u>

Click here to access Boys' Latin Email.

Kick Board

Click here to access Kickboard

Schoology Parent/Guardian Access:

To access Schoology, follow the below steps.

- 1. Go to www.schoology.com.
- 2. Click **Sign Up** at the top of the page and choose **Parent**.
- 3. Enter your **Parent Access Code**, which is: [Parent Access Code]
- 4. Fill out the form with your information.
- 5. Click **Register** to complete.

6.

When you use a Parent Access Code to create an account, you are automatically associated with your child. You can add additional children to your account using the <u>Add Child</u> option.

Gently Used Uniform Pieces

In collaboration with the Extended Family Network (EFN), we are seeking gently used uniform pieces. The pieces will be utilized to support learners and families that may need financial support. If you have any gently used pieces, we encourage you to bring them in so that we may safely clean and distribute them to learners in need. We appreciate your support in aiding our school community!

Early Dismissal

It is imperative that learners attend school every day for the duration of the day (including Leadership Academy). Early dismissals will not be granted past 3:05pm in order to assist school staff in ensuring a safe & swift afterschool procedure. Please email or send in a note to our administrative assistant, Mrs. Walker, with all details for early dismissals so that we can effectively communicate the dismissals with all staff.

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Student Attendance & COVID-19 Cases

Arriving on Time

Learners are late if they arrive after 8:03AM. It is imperative that students arrive before 8AM so they can get to class on time. Families will begin receiving automated messages when your child reports to school late or if they are absent. You can always see your child's attendance on PowerSchool.

Covid-19 and Quarantining Absences

If a student is required to quarantine due to COVID-19 exposure the student will be marked AEMD Absent Medical: This excused absence code is to be used when a student is absent for medical purposes.

Student work while Quarantining

While quarantining students will work asynchronously. Students can access work assignments and instructions from teachers on Schoology. Feel free to reach out to the teacher about assignments

Health and Safety Plan and Pooled COVID-19 Testing

Please Click Here for the Health and Safety Plan. Ways to Support Your Warrior

Face Mask

Ensure your warrior has at least 2 face masks when they leave for school in the morning. We give out hundreds of masks daily. Masks are a part of learners' daily uniform. Please make sure they have a mask

<u>Laptop Ch</u>arging

Please make sure your warrior's laptop is charged each night and that he brings his charger with him every day along with his computer.

Uniforms

We are aware that Flynn O'Hara is on backorder with uniform shirts and other items. If you have ordered items and it is on backorder, please submit a copy of the receipt to swalker@boyslatin.org. Starting October 1st learners must be in full winter uniform. The full winter uniform

includes: Blue Oxford Shirt

Boys' Latin Stripped Tie

Boys' Latin Blazer

Khaki Pants

Black Belt

All Black Shoes (No sneakers or boots)

If you are awaiting your shipment from Flynn O'Hara, please submit a copy of the receipt so that your child will not receive a consequence for being out of uniform.

Dismissal

Please do not double park your car on Cedar Avenue. It has caused a very dangerous situation for our students who are walking home and catching public transportation. We also want to respect neighbors and neighborhood traffic flow. We understand that parking is limited, but please **DO NOT** double park.

Lunches

Lunch is served every day. If a learner would like to bring his own lunch, he must bring it to school with him. In order to ensure that staff are effectively supporting lunch, we cannot support lunch deliveries. Again, please ensure that learners come to school with their lunch in the morning.

LET'S HAVE A GREAT WEEK!

Best,

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