

The Ledger

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Family Edition Vol. X



Greetings Warrior Nation,
Happy Sunday! Below are this week's news and announcements!

Important Dates

11/22 & 11/23	Virtual Report Card Conferences (1:30pm Early Dismissal) 11/22: 2pm-6pm 11/23: 2pm-4pm
11/23	Kickboard Movie Incentive
11/24 – 11/26	Thanksgiving Break
11/29-12/2	First & Second Honors Award Assemblies (12 th - 11/29, 11 th - 11/30, 10 th -12/1, 9 th -12/2)
12/6	Early Release Professional Development Day (1:30pm Early Dismissal)
12/11	Saturday School
12/13	Early Release Professional Development Day (1:30pm Early Dismissal)

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 - Nasieer C.: “Nasieer is a strong student who knows himself and knows what he needs to do to make the grade. He is determined and diligent, taking his time with every assignment to make sure it is done fully and correctly. He helps his peers and is a positive addition to the classroom community.”

****10th Grade - Taishaun E.:** “Taishaun is always positive and committed to learning. He is organized, consistent, focused, and tries his best. He is respectful of his teachers, peers, and the BL environment, and contributes to his classmates' learning by asking clarifying questions, participating often, and trying new things in class.”

*** Signifies the Ultimate Warrior of the Week*

11th Grade – De'Jon C.: “De'Jon is conscientious, consistent, and focused on learning. He shows leadership in his classes, communicates effectively with his classmates and teachers, seeks extra help and practice when he needs it, and goes above and beyond to form relationships with his peers and educators.”

12th Grade - Jaylan W.: “Jaylan is hard-working, conscientious, and consistent. He cares about his work, strives for excellence, and works well both independently and collaboratively. He is never intimidated by a challenge and always tries his best. He is friendly, genuine, and cares about his classmates. He is a welcome addition to every class, conversation, and environment.”

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. Report Cards & Virtual Report Card Conference links were emailed to families. If you did not receive either item, please contact Mrs. Walker at swalker@boyslating.org

November 22- 2pm-6pm (includes evening conference)
November 23 2pm-4pm

Kickboard November Incentive

Our incentive for the month of November will be a “Movie & Popcorn” event. On Tuesday 11/23, any learner that has earned \$350 Kickboard Dollars by Friday 11/19 will be eligible to participate in the incentive. The movie will be played during 7th and 8th period on 11/23.

Uniform Pieces for Sale

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

Extended Family Network (EFN) Meeting

On Monday, November 22nd we'll have our first EFN meeting from 7-7:45pm. Please review this [flier](#) for all details including the virtual link.

Early Dismissal on Monday December 6th and Monday December 13th

Learners will be dismissed at 1:30pm on Monday 12/6 & Monday 12/13. Faculty will participate in professional development in the afternoon.

Quarter 1 Awards Ceremonies

We will host our Quarter 1 Awards Ceremony during the week of 11/29. Learners who obtained 1st & 2nd Honors will be presented awards and certificates.

COVID Testing Updated Protocol

In an effort to improve our COVID-19 testing process, on 11/29/2021 we are launching a new program called **Operation Expanded Testing**, which is supported and funded through the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services to provide COVID-19 PCR testing to K-12 schools at no cost to the school. With this new and improved program, we hope to continue preventing the spread of COVID-19 while keeping more students and employees in school. A key benefit of this program is that members of presumptive positive and inconclusive pools are automatically retested and the positive individual(s) are identified and isolated immediately. *This means that presumptive positive pools will no longer need to quarantine or seek individual follow-up testing to return to school.*

1) Register for the new program ASAP:

- The online registration process takes less than 5 minutes. [Please use this link which takes you to a platform called Assure.](#)
- For a short video guide on “how to” complete the registration/consent process on this platform, please watch [this video.](#)
 - High School Parents/Students: On the Find Your Institution page, enter 5501 Cedar Avenue Philadelphia, PA 19143 into the Search Location field.
 - Each student should be registered separately.

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>

Choices & Consequences

Please [click here](#) to review our Choices & Consequences document went into effect on 11/15. The document was shared and reviewed with all learners.

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.](#)

Email

[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 [Add Child](#) option.

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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!

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 being posted.

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

Laptop Charging

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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