

The Ledger

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

<u>Important Dates</u>	
2/7	Early Release Professional Development
2/10 & 2/11	Virtual Report Card Conferences Thursday 2/10: 2pm-6pm Friday 2/11: 1:45pm-3:30pm
2/12	Saturday School
2/15-2/18	Honors Convocations
2/21	Presidents' Day (Schools and Administrative Offices Closed)
2/21	Warrior Family Feud: Father & Son Edition (5:30pm-7:00pm)
2/25	Black History Month Symposium
2/26	Saturday School

Warrior College Acceptances

As seniors get accepted to colleges and universities and provide their acceptance letters to the college advising office, we recognize their amazing accomplishments and give them a tie to commemorate the celebration. We have been celebrating our seniors each day during our morning announcements and have had learners come to the office to personally obtain their ties. Please assist us in congratulating our Young Warriors! We're proud of their accomplishments! Please see the list of our newest college acceptances from this past week! **We have more than 68 college acceptance thus far this school year!**

Byshir X East Stroudsburg University & Shippensburg University

Warriors of the Week

9th Grade - Kahmari G.: "Kahmari was a class leader last semester, earning high grades and remaining an active participant in class. Kahmari also brings a liveliness to the classroom with his effervescent energy and quick quips. Kahmari should also be congratulated for landing a role in the school play. Keep up the awesome work Kahmari!"

10th Grade – Corey B.: "Corey is a silent warrior who gets his work done and always questions how to make it better. He is always ready to participate even if the answer he gives is not 100% correct. His confidence and eagerness to learn more is great motivation for everyone in the class."

11th Grade – Javon B.W.: "Javon has had a great start to S2 and has been a leader in class. He helps others a lot and is kind in his interactions."

****12th Grade – Byshir X.:** "Byshir is a leader in our school and outside in the community. He was just recently inaugurated as the president of National Spokesperson for the Association of African American Young Entrepreneurs along with being named the Ambassador for the National Men of Color Association and Co-president for the National African American Student Leadership Conference. We're proud of you Young Warrior!"

**** Signifies the Ultimate Warrior of the Week**

American Association of Blacks in Energy (AABE): Philadelphia Chapter

Calling on students, grades 9 through 12, to join the Philadelphia AABE Chapter on **Thursday, February 24 from 4:30-6:30 p.m.** and discover what it takes to prepare for careers in Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM), Information Technology (IT) and Trades from professionals in the energy industry.

Register in advance for this meeting using the following

link: <https://us06web.zoom.us/join/register/tZYsf--vrzItGN0SsFvW6qir0FJI9Vu2wf9Q>

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting

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.

Virtual Report Card Conferences

We will host Virtual Parent Conferences on Thursday 2/10 from 2pm-6pm and on Friday 2/11 from 1:45pm-3:30pm. Families should have received their child's report cards via email and mail. You can schedule an opportunity to meet with their child's advisor or a chance to meet with the educator of any classes that their child did not pass using this [LINK](#). The link was also emailed to all families along with report card. Please only sign-up for conferences with teachers if your student is failing a course. We would like to prioritize meetings with parents whose students are failing.

All conferences will be held via Zoom. Please make sure your Zoom account displays the full name you used to schedule the conference. Please arrive to the conference on time. If you are running late or miss your conference, email your student's teacher to reschedule. Please do not hesitate to email your student's teacher with any questions or concerns.

11 Th Grade Physical Exam Reports

In accordance with the Commonwealth of Penna.'s state regulations, all eleventh-grade students are required to have a physical exam during the school year. Please plan to have your child examined by your family physician and return a copy of the physical exam report to the school health office. NOTE: If your child has already had an examination dated on or after January 1, 2021, then the results of that exam will be accepted as current.

Please disregard this request if you have already submitted a completed physical exam form to the school health office. If you have any questions, please contact Nurse Griffin at dgriffin@boyslatin.org

Warrior Family Feud: Father & Son Edition

We are excited for our upcoming Warrior Family Feud game that will take place on February 21st! In collaboration with our Extended Family Network (EFN), we will host the game in order to have our Young Warriors and their selected male figure participate in fellowship with other young men and community members. Please check out the attached flier for all details. We hope to see your child participate in the event! If you have any questions, please email Ms. Wells at ewells@boyslatin.org !

Week of 2/7 Bell Schedule

Learners will be dismissed at 1:30pm on Monday, Thursday, & Friday of this week. Please see the attached bell schedule for your reference.

Honors Convocations

Q2 Honors convocations will take place during the week of February 14th to honor the learners from each grade level who achieved first honors, second honors, or led their class in Kickboard points. We will have an altered schedule which will include an abbreviated 21-minute seminar after 2nd period each day. The honors convocations will take place as follows:

2/15- 12th Grade
2/16- 11th Grade
2/17- 10th Grade
2/18- 9th Grade

Credit Recovery

Credit Recovery will begin this week for identified 11th & 12th grade learners who are in need of credits. There are only 31 seats available, so some underclassmen are currently on the waiting list. If you have any questions about credit recovery, please email euthman-olukokun@boyslatin.org

February Kickboard Incentive

For February's Kickboard incentive, the top 4 learners from each grade will participate in a field trip at the end of the month to the Black History Museum with Mr. Oliver. Please encourage your Young Warrior to consistently meet our schoolwide expectations!

STD Education & Testing

During summits throughout the month, learners will receive STD education and testing from experts from the Philadelphia Department of Public Health. Please review the attached FAQ document for all details.

UPenn Provost's "Spring Forward" Summer Mentorship Program

The Provost's Summer Mentorship - "Spring Forward" Program was established to enhance student retention, academic support, boost "scholarly – confidence", and enhance post-secondary admission rates for all program participants by shepherding them through the Provost's SMP pipeline of resources, across various programs in the University of Pennsylvania's Division of Student Engagement. Click [HERE](#) to view the flier and for more information.

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Office Hours Zoom Link

In order to support learners who must quarantine or are not in the building, educators will begin opening their Zoom room during office hours. Office Hours Zoom links will be open during Office Hours and learners can access the links by navigating to the educator's Schoology page.

Teen Leadership Assistants Program

The Free Library of Philadelphia's out-of-school time program, Literacy Enrichment After-school Program (LEAP), is seeking Philadelphia high school students who are interested in serving as near-peer mentors and encourages them to sign up as a Teen Leadership Assistant (TLA) to support with staffing the library's initiative.

LEAP is a free, drop-in, out-of-school time program for children and teens in grades K-12 and offers youth a safe space to unwind after school, complete homework, and develop positive relationships with peers.

This position is a great first job for youth as it provides mentoring, opportunities for peer collaboration, and introduces them to 21st Century skills. For more information, students are encouraged to review [this flyer](#). Questions can be shared with Out-of-School Time Program Manager Heather Sparks at SparksH@freelibrary.org.

Bloomsburg Art Internship (Paid)

Please click [HERE](#) to learn more about a great PAID internship for learners!

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.

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.

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>

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

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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.

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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