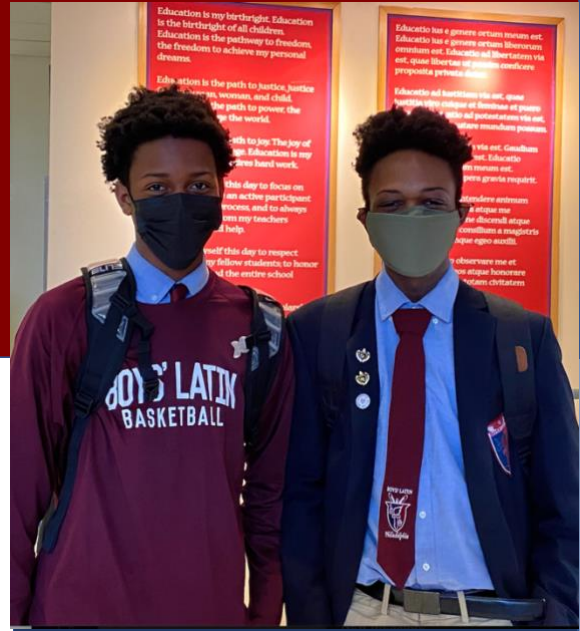


The Ledger

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

<u>Important Dates</u>	
1/31	Beginning of 2nd SEMESTER (3rd Quarter)
2/1	Beginning of Black History Month!
2/2	Sunshine Committee Meeting from 3:50-4:20pm
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
2/21	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 66 college acceptance thus far this school year!**

- Donovan J. Temple University
- Ethen S. Albright College
- Tyleem W. Albright College
- Ibrahim D. Penn State Berks
- Rasheam O. New Jersey City University
- Rasheam O. Penn State Beaver Campus
- Rasheam O.. University of Cincinnati

Warriors of the Week

9th Grade – William S.: “William is a thoughtful, engaged student who takes great care with all his work to make sure it is an accurate reflection of his best. He is kind and insightful, curious, and bright. It is a pleasure to teach him.”

10th Grade - Jovanie R.: ”Jovanie is a pleasure to have in class. He is quiet and focused. He completes all of his work and he is respectful to his fellow peers and to the staff.”

11th Grade – Omar L.: “Omar is a hard-working respectable young man who has been making great progress in all of his classes. Omar continues conduct himself as a scholar while also helping out with his family at home. Keep up the great work Omar!”

****12th Grade – Anthony M.:** “Anthony is on fire right now in his classes! He is on a streak of self-motivation, drive, and thoroughness and his dedication to excellence is showing in class. He is a thoughtful contributor to conversations, careful with his work, and encouraging towards his peers. He is leveling up and setting himself up for a very successful second semester.”

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

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.

Warrior Family Feud: Father & Son Edition

In collaboration with our EFN, we will host a Family Feud game on February 21st. Please see the attached flier and encourage our learners to participate!

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. Mr. Oliver will share more details with staff during our meeting on Monday afternoon.

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 the attache 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.

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.

Leadership Academy During 2nd Semester

New Leadership Academies will be selected for the 2nd Semester during the week of 1/24. Participation in LA is a mandatory requirement towards graduation for all BL learners. During the 2nd semester (starting 1/31), seniors will not be mandated to participate in Leadership Academy. With senior project, senior internships, and etc on the horizon, seniors will have the space to take care of your senior duties.

Safety Protocol

Based on a recent parent inquiry, I’m sharing an overview of how the school responds to a suspected bed bug sighting with all parents:

- Professional exterminators inspect our school buildings and conduct preventive maintenance monthly.
- Suspected bed bug sightings are common in schools.
- In the event of a suspected bed bug sighting, the suspected bed bug is collected and shared with the school's exterminators to determine if it is or is not a bed bug.
- Once a suspected bed bug is confirmed, the school's exterminators assess the room(s) where the sighting(s) occurred to determine if there is an infestation. Since the school opened in 2007, it has not had an infestation.
- In previous consultations with the school's exterminators and the Philadelphia Department of Public Health, both confirmed that sightings of bugs in the school's buildings are not an indication of infestation. Rather, bed bugs are common on public transportation and as many of our students and employees travel using SEPTA, there are many opportunities for bed bugs to enter bookbags, purses, etc.
- Bed bugs are a nuisance, but they do not carry disease and there are no known cases of a human contracting a disease from a bed bug bite.

Free Meals During Winter & Spring Breaks

- Students can visit City recreation centers and playgrounds to receive free, nutritious meals on school holidays during winter, spring breaks.
- *Select Philadelphia recreation centers and playgrounds will provide free meals for children up to 18 years old on the following days:*

February 1, 2022	April 11, 2022
	April 12, 2022
	April 13, 2022
	April 14, 2022

- A full list of participating facilities and additional information about food resources is available [online](#). Families can find their nearest participating center by visiting phila.gov/food.
- Parks & Rec will distribute the meals on a first-come, first-served basis between mid-afternoon and early evening.

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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

[Please Click Here for the Health and Safety Plan.](#)

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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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