

# The Ledger

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

## Warriors of the Week

**9<sup>th</sup> Grade - Gihon Wilson:** "Gihon is a dedicated scholar who has high ambition to succeed. He is always willing to lend a helping hand to his peers. He is also a joy to have in class."

**\*\*10<sup>th</sup> Grade – Justin Williams:** "Justin is a hard-working student who tries his best every day in class. He has a cheerful and optimistic personality and lifts up the spirit of the classroom at all times. He also goes out of his way to get involved in school, playing lacrosse and being the stage manager for the play. He is a thoughtful, insightful, kind student who exemplifies brotherhood."

**11<sup>th</sup> Grade – Mushir Little:** "I LOVE MUSHIR! He is supportive and kind to all, a true gentle giant. He is considerate and a hard worker. He makes me laugh and is a joy to have in class. He helps others and is always looking for ways to improve!"

**12<sup>th</sup> Grade – Jeremy Grant:** "Jeremy has one of the calmest, most receptive and kind demeanors of any student I have ever taught in my 25 years. To say that he's "chill" would be an understatement, yet despite being quiet and still, he remains tremendously engaged, highly motivated, and even proactive. Jeremy applied to several colleges and has actively taken steps to inform his next steps: visiting each of the schools to which he's been accepted in order to get a feel for its social and cultural life, calling the schools to learn about financial aid, and researching the neighborhoods in surrounding areas of each school in order to know if the region is one where he'd feel safe and comfortable. Finally, despite having class with me last period every day, Jeremy often remains in conversation with me after school in order to conclude meaningful dialogue without feeling rushed. Jeremy deserves Warrior of the Week status because he chooses to emphasize the value of his intellect, not the man in whom his intelligence is housed."

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

### 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 152 college acceptance thus far this school year!**

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## 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.

<b>Important Dates</b>	
4/18	Beginning of 4 <sup>th</sup> Quarter
4/20 & 4/21	Q3 Virtual Report Card Conference (1:30pm Early Dismissal) 4/20- 2pm-6pm 4/21- 2pm-4pm
4/23	Saturday School
4/26-4/29	Q3 Honors Convocations (altered school schedule)
5/2	Early Release Professional Development Day (Students Dismissed at 1:30 p.m.)
5/2-5/6	Teacher Appreciation Week
5/4	AP English Literature & Composition Exam
5/6	AP US History Exam
5/9	AP Calculus Exam
5/14	Saturday School

### **Mandated Face Mask Policy During Week of 4/18**

This is a quick reminder that in order to mitigate the risk of spread of COVID-19 following spring break, **the universal and correct wearing of face masks in all school settings will be required during the upcoming week of 4/18/2022.**

### **COVID Vaccine Clinic on 4/21**

Boys' Latin is partnering with Jefferson Health to hold an additional COVID-19 vaccine clinic in the **high school dining hall on Thursday, April 21 from 8:00am to 10:00am.**

- Pfizer first, second, and booster shots will be available to all Boys' Latin High School community members.
- Open only to Boys' Latin High School students and employees.
- Consent from a parent or guardian is required for students under 18. The parent/guardian will be called by a Jefferson Health clinician at the time of vaccination for their consent.
- The clinic is free. There is no cost to students or employees. Insurance and ID are not required. *However, if you would like to receive a booster shot, please bring your vaccination card with you.*
- This clinic is for walk-in appointments only. No registration is required. Students will not be called down to the dining hall.

### **Keystone Testing**

Keystone Testing will take place in May. Please click [HERE](#) to learn more about our Keystone Testing.

### **Virtual Report Card Conferences**

Virtual Report Card Conferences will take place on Wednesday 4/20 from 2pm-6pm and Thursday from 2pm-4pm. Learners will be dismissed at 1:30pm both days. To sign up for a conference, follow these steps:

1. Go to [https://ptcfast.com/schools/Boys\\_Latin\\_of\\_Philadelphia\\_High\\_School](https://ptcfast.com/schools/Boys_Latin_of_Philadelphia_High_School)
2. Click on the conference for your student's advisor or any educator that you'd like to meet for which your child received a failing grade.
3. Fill out the registration information with your student's name, your name, and your email address. You will receive a confirmation email with a link to complete the registration process.
4. Click on the link from the confirmation email and select an available time slot.

### **Leadership Academy**

Leadership Academy will not take place during the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter (except for several clubs). Learners will get out at 3:20pm each day. The Cycling Club, Garden Club, Stock Market Club, Yearbook club, Basketball and the School Play will still take place. Please click [HERE](#) to review our End of Year LA Letter for Parents. Learner not participating in the LAs listed above will have the opportunity to engage in Office Hours on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. Staff will have meetings and professional development on Mondays and Thursdays.

### **Philadelphia Summer Youth Programs**

The city has announced Summer Child and Youth Programs & Activities. Click the link below for more information.

<https://www.phila.gov/2022-03-21-summer-countdown-city-announces-summer-child-and-youth-programs-and-activities/>

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## Student Spring Uniforms

Learners will be allowed to begin wearing the Spring uniform starting Monday, April 4<sup>th</sup>. The Spring uniform consists of the maroon polo shirt, khaki pants, a black belt, and black shoes. The maroon polo shirts can be purchased at Flynn O'Hara.

## 11<sup>th</sup> Grade SAT Registration

This is a reminder that all 11<sup>th</sup> grade students will be expected to take the SAT on May 7, 2022. A few weeks ago, a fee waiver verification form was sent home by your students to be completed. This simple form shouldn't take any longer than 2 minutes to complete and sign. Based on your response on the form, your child may be eligible to take the SAT for free by obtaining a fee waiver. Without this form being completed, however, you may have to pay the registration fee for the SAT.

All this week, the college counseling team will be pulling students to assist them with the SAT registration process. Please be sure to send this completed form to the school by your child, so we can ensure that they get registered on time.

If you have any questions, please reach out to Ms. Bonner or Ms. Chance in the College Counseling department. Click [HERE](#) to access a copy of the Fee Waiver

## Math Corps Summer Camp 2022 at Drexel's Campus

This four-week program serves a total of approximately 70 middle and high school students. Using a "kids teaching kids" model, the high school students serve as teaching assistants for the younger students. College students, some of whom are often former Math Corps students themselves, work as instructors and mentors. The students are broken into teams with each team having ten middle school students, five high school teaching assistants (TA's) and one college student (CI) at the head. The CIs and TA's not only serve as teachers and role models for the middle school students, but also support with community building and math support. Students receive math instruction in both the foundational math topics, while being immersed in a culture of support and achievement. Teaching Assistants and College Instructors receive financial stipends for participating in Math Corps.

Camp Dates: June 21 - July 14, 2022 (TA Orientation: June 16 & 17)

§ Camps is Monday - Thursday (no camp 6/20 & 7/4)

§ Campers: 9:30AM - 2:30PM (current 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> graders)

§ TAs and Staff: 8:30AM - 3:15 PM (current 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup> graders)

Sign Up Here: <https://sites.google.com/mathcorps.org/philly/2022-info-and-application?authuser=0>

Please direct any questions to [mathcorps@drexel.edu](mailto:mathcorps@drexel.edu)

## WorkReady Summer Opportunity

If your child is 12-24 years old and looking to get paid up to \$1,000 for a summer work experience, check out WorkReady!

WorkReady is a program in July-August for youth living in Philadelphia. This year, WorkReady Summer experiences will include safe in-person participation at least 3 days/week. Vaccinations are not required for WorkReady overall but may be required based on program or worksite requirements.

The first 5,000 applicants to complete the enrollment process (steps 1 and 2) will receive \$150!

Apply to WorkReady at <https://www.workready.org/>

## Front Office Changes

Please send all email correspondences regarding attendance and other matters to [frontofficehs@boyslatin.org](mailto:frontofficehs@boyslatin.org) so that we can effectively address them. If you have further concerns, you may email me directly at [euthman-olukokun@boyslatin.org](mailto:euthman-olukokun@boyslatin.org)

## 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.

## Bloomsburg Art Internship (Paid)

Please click [HERE](#) to learn more about a great PAID internship for 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/BJ.contactupdate>

## 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!

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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 being posted.

### Health and Safety Plan and Pooled COVID-19 Testing

## 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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