

PARENT LEDGER

VOLUME VII

Greetings Warrior Parents and Guardians,

There are many important details listed below please read carefully.

Important Dates

Students Dismiss at 2PM Every Monday

11/23-11/27 Thanksgiving Break

11/30 6th and 7th Grade RP1 Award Summit

12/1 8th Grade RP1 Award Summit

12/13-12/16 Winter MAP Testing(Please make sure your warrior laptops are charged each day for testing)

Important Information and Resources about Boys' Latin Middle School can be found on our school website at [Boys' Latin for Families](#) under Important Information.

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12/19-1/3 Winter Break

1/2 No School

1/3 Staff Professional Development Day (No School for Students)

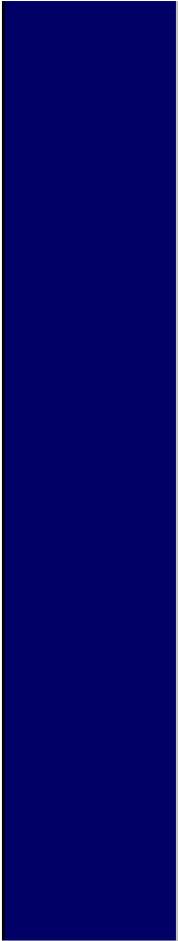
Weekly Highlights

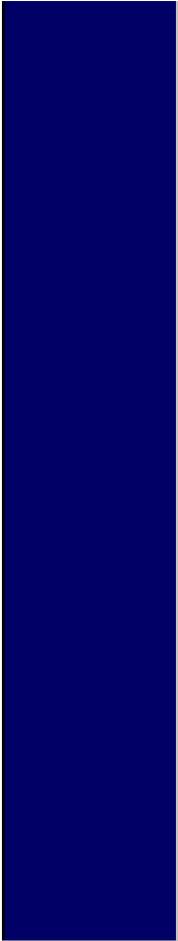
Barbers Who Care Afternoon Of Gratitude

Free Haircuts, Thanksgiving Bags and Turkeys were given to BL High and Middle School Families on Sunday. Hugh Shout out to Barbers Who Care for serving Warrior Nation.



**Education for Children and Youth Experiencing Homelessness (ECYEH) Awareness Week
Red Shirt Day to Raise Awareness**





Black Panther: Wakanda Forever

Last Week we bought out a theatre and took 104 of our Warriors to see Wakanda Forever!!

**Summits on
Bullying and
Sexual
Harassment**

6th and 7th Grade Summits

Last week we held summits with all 6th and 7th graders to help Dismantle the Man Box and the stereotype that Aggression Equals Violence. Students watched a video on what Bullying is and what it is not. They also watched a video on two well-known rappers going against the idea that aggression and violence should be glorified. This will be an ongoing conversation with our young kings because the idea that being aggressive and resorting to violence is something that is glorified in the music that some students listen to and encouraged in certain settings. Please talk with your warrior about topics addressed in the videos

that we watched and breaking the stereotype that aggression equals dominance. Please see attached videos and PowerPoint from the Summit

[Bullying Video](#)

[Gucci Mane and Jeezy](#)

8th Grade Summits

Last week we held an 8th grade summit on the topic of respecting woman and sexual harassment. We want to Dismantle the Man Box stereotype that women should be treated as objects and are of less value than men. We showed our warriors a video of a woman casual walking in New York and what she experienced for just being a woman. We had a conversation on what can be disrespectful or deemed as sexual harassment. Please talk with your warrior about what it means to show women respect. Please watch the video and talk with your warrior about respect and when something can be deemed sexual harassment.

[Woman Walking in NY](#)

Chat rooms and other platforms

Please talk with your warrior about participating in online group chats (Discord, Instagram, etc.) There have been some instances of students engaging in inappropriate conversations about each other and staff on these platforms. We have worked to disable many of these platforms on school laptops. Some students have been using Boys' Latin laptops to engage in these conversations. Per our laptop acceptable use policy:

- Hate mail, chain letters, harassment, discriminatory remarks, and other antisocial behaviors are prohibited on the network.
- The unauthorized installation of any software, including shareware and freeware, for use on Boys' Latin computers is prohibited.
- Use of the network to access or process pornographic material, inappropriate text files (as determined by the Technology department), or files dangerous to the integrity of the local area network is prohibited.
- Boys' Latin's network may not be used for downloading entertainment software or other files not related to the mission and objectives of Boys' Latin for transfer to a user's home computer, personal computer, or other media. This prohibition pertains to freeware, shareware, copyrighted commercial and non-commercial software, and all other forms of software and files not directly related to the instructional and administrative purposes of Boys' Latin.

If students violate this policy, then students will be suspended or put up for expulsion. Please talk with your warrior about the academic or legal consequences that they may have to deal with if they engage in this behavior.

Using PowerSchool and Kickboard

1. Please be sure to check your students' grades on PowerSchool to see any assignments they need to make-up. We recommend doing this on a weekly basis as teachers update grades every week.
2. Please check Kickboard to see how your student is being celebrated or corrected throughout the week. When students receive 6 corrective behaviors in one week a student will receive a detention
3. If you need login information for your student, please email support@boyslatin.org

Top KickBoard Earners for October

Top Kickboard Earners for the month of October

6th Grade: Jasier Williams \$392

7th Grade: Trei Jones \$428

8th Grade: Anthony Etumnu \$760

Technology Updates

1. All students and families must submit all technology related(laptop, passwords, chargers login information) issues/ requests to support@boyslatin.org.
2. In-Person technology support is available to students during their lunch period on **Tuesdays and Thursdays**. Out IT specialist is available to middle school students on the stage in the dining hall during each lunch period.
3. All students and their parents have received the *One-to-One Laptop Program Policy* and signed the *One-to-One Laptop Program Agreement*. This means all students and their parents are accountable to the policy. Students must report damage, issues, and concerns related to their school-issued device (Chromebook and Chromebook charger) to the Technology Department within one school day. **Damage due to negligence as well as loss or theft of a school-issued device is the responsibility of the student and their parent. The fee for a lost or stolen Chromebook is \$300.00** and the fee for a lost or stolen Chromebook charger is \$45.00. In the event a school-issued device is stolen, if the student or parent report of the incident is deemed credible, the school will replace the device at no charge to the student or parent. Damage due to negligence or loss of a school-issued device are level two or level three violations of the school's *Code of Conduct*

6th grade
Gym for RP2

Gym Uniform

This year students will have the **option** to wear gym uniforms. Gym uniforms can only be worn by students who will be taking gym. During Report Period 2 Sixth grade students will be the **ONLY** students taking gym, **therefore only 6th graders will be allowed to wear Boys' Latin Gym uniforms.**

If students do not purchase the gym uniform, they can only wear their normal school uniform.

The Boys' Latin Gym Uniform can be purchased at [Flynn O'Hara](#)

REPEATED REMINDERS

- A. Uniforms
- B. Ways to Support Your Warrior
- C. Student Attendance and Weekly Reminders
- D. Dismissal
- E. Extended Family Network(EFN)

The Man
Box

Please join us in helping dismantle the Man Box and redefining what manhood is. To learn more about the Man Box please check out this [video](#) and website [A Call to Men](#)

Each report period, each grade will focus on dismantling a stereotype in the man box and focus on exemplifying the behaviors that boys/men should exemplify.

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Winter Uniforms	<p>Starting October 11th students MUST be in FULL winter uniform.</p> <p>Please see image below as an example of the full winter uniform Items can be purchased at Flynn O'Hara online or in-stores</p> <p>Blue Oxford Shirt Stripped Tie Boys' Latin V-neck Sweater Khaki Pants Black Belt All Black Shoes(No sneakers or boots)</p>

**Quick Ways
to Support
Your
Warrior**

1. Locker Support

Many of our warriors need practice opening their lockers. Please have your warrior practice opening a combination lock by using the following link [Combination Lock Practice](#). You can practice directly on a cell phone.

2. Laptop Charging

Please make sure your warriors' laptop is charged each night and they bring it to school everyday.

3. Make sure your warrior brings their ID every morning for attendance purposes.

If your warrior did not get their picture taken or lost their ID they can see our IT specialist on Tuesday and Thursday during their lunch period.

Student Attendance and Early Dismissal

Arriving on Time

Students are late if they arrive after **7:59AM**. It is imperative that students arrive before 8AM so they can get to class on time. **If students arrive after 7:59 they must enter through the Visitor Main Entrance.** You can always see your students' attendance on PowerSchool.

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Early Dismissals

Students are **NOT** allowed to be dismissed by phone or email. Only a parent or an emergency contact can pick-up a student for an early dismissal.

All early dismissals must occur before 2:30PM.

Dismissal

Please do not double park your car on Callowhill Street. 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.

Boys' Latin Extended Family Network

Extended Family Network at the middle school. Extended Family Network is like a home and school association. Together we can build a framework for the future and promote mutual understanding, cooperation, and communication among families, teachers, and administrators. We can build a school culture that allows for special events, celebrations, and a strong support network. Together we can help create an atmosphere where students feel excited to come to school and feel encouraged by their entire community. I cannot express how crucial it is to have our families involved in this endeavor.

Please consider becoming an active member of Boys' Latin Extended Family network. Our Warriors deserve the BEST and our staff would greatly appreciate your support. If you are interested in having a role in building this network, please send an email to efn.ms@boyslatin.org expressing your interest to partner with the network.