



PARENT LEDGER

VOLUME XIII

**BLACK
HISTORY
MONTH
2023**



Happy Black History Month

Greetings Warrior Parents and Guardians,

There are many important details listed below please read carefully.

Important Dates

**Latin Week- See Flyer Below
2/27- 3/3**

**Progress Reports Emailed
2/28-3/1**

**2/28 Black History Oratorical Presentation
6:00 PM-7:00 PM**

**3/6-3/7 NO School for students Professional
Development Days for Staff**

**3/9 Boys' Latin United Mother/Son Sultan
Fans(Dance Party) Must register to attend see
information below**

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

School Phone: 215-387-5149 Ext 1

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IG Handle: @BoysLatinofPhiladelphia

Twitter Handle: @BoyslatinCs

Facebook: www.Facebook.com/BoysLatin

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**Weekly
Highlights**

Family Nutrition and Cooking Event

Shout out to all the families who attended our Family Nutrition and Cooking Event with Chef Eli on Saturday February 25th . We also would like to thank the Parent and Family Volunteers of EFN for helping with set-up and registration.



In honor of Black History Month, Boys' Latin Middle School invited members of the 5 Black Greek Fraternities to speak to students about the history and relevance of Greek Fraternities in the Black community. We had members from **Phi Beta Sigma**, **Alpha Phi Alpha**, **Omega Psi Phi** and **Iota Phi Theta** share about their organizations and why our young men should consider pledging. Two of our teachers Mr. Moon(Iota Phi Theta) and Mr. Walker(Phi Beta Sigma) both did a step for our boys which ended in loud applause. See attached video

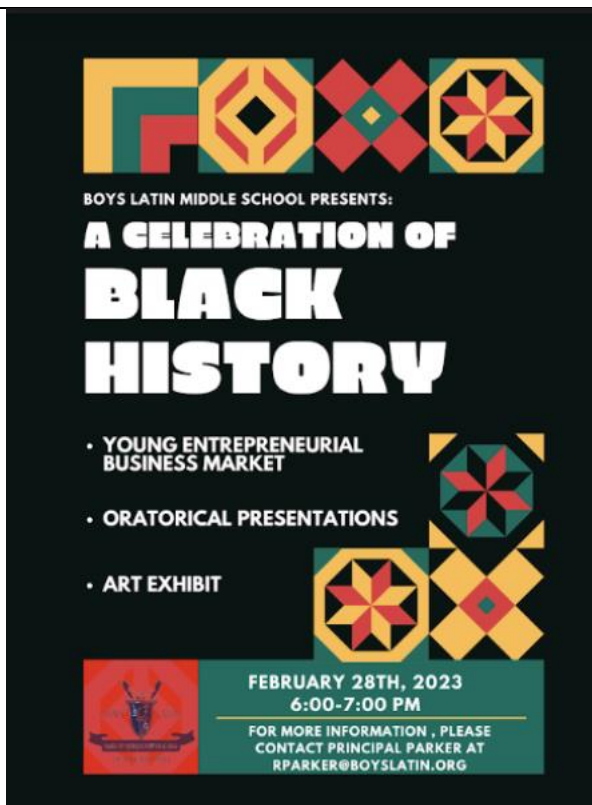


World Café Live Educational Field Trip

Select 7th and 8th graders had the opportunity to attend World Café Live Educational Bridge Sessions. These sessions are culturally relevant live arts performances combined with interactive music-making workshops. Students participated in the Voices of Protest: Music of The 60's. Please see attached videos of students performing.



Black History Month



On Tuesday February 28th select Warriors will be reciting excerpts from notable Black orators. and Musical Performance perform notable songs that connect to the Civil Rights movement and the Black Power movement. Black History Month Artwork will also be displayed for visitors to view. If there are any students who own businesses and would like to setup a vending table please sign your warrior-up.

[Student Vending Table Sign-up](#)

Melanin Mondays in February

During the month of February staff and students can dress down every **Monday** wearing **Dashikis** or **Socially Conscious tops** that represent or celebrate Black culture. **ALL Black CLOTHING is NOT acceptable attire.**

MELANIN MONDAY



Wear a dashiki, socially conscious top, or something that represents your culture with any bottom

Mother/Son Sultans Festa

Our Boys' Latin Middle School and High School Campus will be hosting a Mother/Son Sultans Festa on March 9th for Mother's and/or Female mentors. This Sultans Festa (Latin for Dance Party) will be an opportunity for mothers or female mentors to come dance and be honored by their warriors. This is a semi-formal catered event. We have tickets available for the first 50 families to register from the high school and middle school. If you desire to attend, please click the link below and complete the registration. Once families register you will be sent a link for a \$25 payment. The first 100 families (50 from the high school and 50 middle school) to make a payment will receive a ticket. **47 parents have signed up, but only 24 have paid. If you would like to attend please make your payment by Thursday 3/2.** We have about 26 spots remaining for middle school families.

Step 1. Register [Boys' Latin Mother/Son Sultans Festa Registration Link](#)

Step 2. Make the \$25 Payment [Boys' Latin Payment Link](#)



Latin Week



Dies Lunae 2.27

The Art Contest kicks off with Voting
Semi-Finals of Spelling Bee



Dies Martis 2.28

Cibum Workshop: Ancient Roman Cuisine
Workshop
Myth Short Stories

Latin Week 22-23



February 27th-March 3rd



Dies Mercuris 3.1

Ancient Archaeology Workshop
Who would win? Hero vs. Monster Polls



Dies Veneris 3.3

Latin Spelling Bee



Dies Iovis 3.2

National Latin Exam

Community
Connections

Community of Compassion CDC & Arts without Boundaries
PRESENTS
THE YOUTH PRODUCTION OF



SCAN QR CODE TO SIGN UP
FOR PROGRAM

CASTING CALL
BOYS AGES 6-14
INTERESTED IN PERFORMING ARTS

WHO: All Youth ages 6 - 14 yrs old can participate

WHEN: Saturdays February 4, 2023 - June 17, 2023
11am- 2pm
SHOW JUNE 17, 2023 12 NOON & 5 PM

WHERE: Compassion CDC 6152 Cedar Avenue
Philadelphia 19143

HOW TO SIGN UP
Go to <https://awbphilly.com/lion-king-jr>

FOR MORE INFORMATION GO TO
WWW.AWBPHILLY.COM
PRODUCTION IS LICENSED THROUGH MUSIC THEATRE INTERNATIONAL (MTI)

Dismissal and
Community
Horseplaying

As the weather changes and our 6th and new 7th grade students get comfortable traveling home by themselves. Please have conversations with your warriors about how they conduct themselves in the community and traveling home. Neighbors have reached out about students horseplaying in the community and being boisterous and using profane language. These behaviors are not indicative of Boys' Latin Warriors. Please have conversations with your Warrior about who they are traveling home with and about being true to themselves and not following the crowd.

PLEASE NOTE while students are traveling home or coming to school, and they are engaging in behaviors that violate our code of conduct they will still receive school consequences.

Purchasing
Ties and Belts

If your Warrior is in need of a tie or a belt you can purchase ties and adjustable black belts on our [Boys' Latin Website](#).

Ties: \$12

Belts: \$5

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*

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.



WHAT IS THE MAN BOX

A CALL TO MEN

Represents how boys and male-identified people are taught to view manhood, women, and girls.

INSIDE THE MAN BOX:

- Women and girls are objects, the property of men, and have less value than men
- Boys and men should not cry or openly express emotion
- Boys and men should not show fear or weakness
- Boys and men should not "act like a girl"
- Boys and men should be decisive and not ask for, offer, or accept help
- Aggression equals dominance

**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

**Winter
Uniforms**

Starting October 11th students MUST be in FULL winter uniform.

Please **see image below** as an example of the full winter uniform

Items can be purchased at [Flynn O'Hara](#) online or in-stores

Blue Oxford Shirt

Stripped Tie

Boys' Latin V-neck Sweater

Khaki Pants

Black Belt

All Black Shoes(No sneakers or boots)



**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.

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.