

The Ledger

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Greetings Warrior Nation,
Happy Monday! Please check out this week's news and announcements listed below.

News & Announcements

Boys' Latin Key Dates

April 17	2pm Early Dismissal 12 th Grade Summit Report Card Conferences
April 19 & 20	Honors Convocations 4/19- Grades 10 & 11 4/20- Grades 9 & 12
April 21 & 22	Spring Musical <i>Dream of Disney: A Musical Theatre Celebration</i> 4/21 at 6pm and 4/22 at 2pm
April 24	Latin Day
April 25	SAT Testing for 11 th Grade (Virtual Asynchronous Day for Grades 9, 10, & 12)
April 27	HS Career Day

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 192 college acceptance thus far this school year!**

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BL High School Musical

Our spring musical, *Dream of Disney: A Musical Theatre Celebration*, will perform Friday, April 21st at 6pm, and Saturday, April 22nd at 2pm. We encourage all families to come out and celebrate the magical music of Disney in this exciting revue, featuring hits from your favorite Disney films like *The Lion King*, *The Princess and the Frog*, *Encanto*, and more. We look forward to seeing you there as we cheer on our Young Warriors!

Virtual Report Card Conferences

- Virtual Report Card Conferences will take place on Monday 4/17 from 3pm-7pm. To sign up for a conference, follow these steps:
1. Go to https://ptcfast.com/schools/Boys_Latin_of_Philadelphia_High_School
 2. Click on the conference for your student's 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.

SAT Testing for Grade 11

Tuesday, April 25th, all 11th grade learners will take their SAT here at BL. 9th, 10th, and 12th graders will have a virtual asynchronous day. The purpose of the SAT is to measure a high school student's readiness for college and provide colleges with one common data point that can be used to compare all applicants.

Honors Convocation

Honors Convocations will take place this week on Wednesday and Thursday. 10th & 11th will have their convocation on Wednesday and 9th & 12th will have their convocation on Thursday. We look forward to awarding our 1st and 2nd Honors learners their certificates and pins!

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.

BL Financial Literacy Shark Tank Competition

Congratulations to Hakeem C. and Phalen R. who were the last two competitors in our Financial Literacy Shark Tank! They presented their small business pitches to a group of learners, staff, and school leaders and did an amazing job! Hakeem Carter will be moving on to represent BL as an entrepreneur!

Application for Philadelphia Board of Education Student Trustee

The Board of Education is accepting applications for two Student Board Representatives and one Alternate for the 2023-2024 school year through April 28, 2023.

This is a compelling opportunity for a civic-minded rising sophomore or junior who attends a district or charter school, and the Board would like to consider an applicant from your school. More information and the application can be found [here](#).

REPEATED WEEKLY REMINDERS

PowerSchool & Kickboard Utilization

1. Please be sure to check your learners' grades on PowerSchool to see any assignments they need to make-up. We recommend doing this on a weekly basis as educators update grades every week.
2. Please check Kickboard to see how your learner is being celebrated or corrected throughout the week. When learners 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

Technology Message from IT Team

Please see the message below that was sent to all learners from the IT team.

Learners are all responsible for the equipment Boys' Latin provides for us. Learners should not leave their Chromebooks or AC adapters laying around unattended. If they are lost, the learner and their family are responsible for replacing it.

If a Chromebook is lost, please let us know ASAP by email at support@boyslatin.org. Do not wait a day, a week, a month to say something. When we are informed it is missing, we will check to see if we can locate it. If we cannot, you are responsible for replacing it. Do not take someone else's Chromebook because you lost yours. This is considered theft and will result in immediate disciplinary action.

To purchase a new Chromebook you will need to go to the [Boys Latin web site](#) (under Families --> Important Information --> Chromebook Fees) and choose the option for "Lost/Stolen Chromebook". Thanks for your time.

Student Attendance

It is imperative that your child reports to school each day on time. BL has an attendance policy aimed at maximizing student success. Please review the attached flier which details our attendance policy. We need your assistance in getting learners to school on time. Additionally, please note that learners will receive a detention after 3 school tardies. All excused notes should be sent to frontoffice@boyslatin.org

Leadership Academy & Office Hours

This is a reminder that Leadership Academy is a graduation requirement. Each learner has been enrolled in a Leadership Academy which takes place twice a week. Learners are also encouraged to take advantage of Office Hours for classes that they need support in.

Water Bottles

Please send your child with a water bottle to school so that they may refill them at the water stations.

School Uniform

Effective October 3rd learners MUST be in FULL winter uniform. The winter uniform can be purchased at [Flynn O'Hara](#) online or in-stores and consists of:

- Khaki Poly/Cotton Men's Pants
- Blue Long Sleeve Button-down Collared Shirt
- Navy Polyester Blazer with School Logo
- Black Leather Belt
- Maroon/Navy Striped Tie
- Black Leather Men's Dress Shoes (no sneakers or boots)
- Black Socks

****Please note that learners must be in full uniform. If your family is experiencing a hardship, please contact our School Counselor, Dr. Washington, so that we can best support your family at nwashington@boyslatin.org. Additionally, due to warm temperatures, Warriors may substitute the top-half of the uniform with the Maroon Short Sleeve Collared Shirt with the School Logo until October 3rd.**

Front Office Communication

If you need to update any information or have any questions for our Administrative Assistant, Mrs. Cina Girard, please email frontoffice@boyslatin.org so that we can effectively address your questions. If you have further concerns, you may email me directly at euthman-olukokun@boyslatin.org

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Extended Family Network (EFN)

We are ecstatic to continue working alongside our families to create a dynamic educational experience for our Young Warriors. Working with the EFN, we can build a framework for the future and promote mutual understanding, cooperation, and communication among families, educators, 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 learners feel excited to come to school and feel encouraged by their entire community. We cannot express how crucial it is to have our families involved in this endeavor.

Please consider becoming an active member of this process. 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 reach out to efn.hs@boyslatin.org We hope to connect with you soon and schedule our first planning meeting together.

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!

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.

Best,



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