

# The Ledger

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

### News & Announcements

<b>Boys' Latin Key Dates</b>	
April 24	Latin Day
April 25	SAT Testing for 11 <sup>th</sup> Grade (Virtual Asynchronous Day for Grades 9, 10, & 12)
April 27	HS Career Day
April 28	HS Kickback Student Dance (6pm-8:30pm)
April 29	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 192 college acceptance thus far this school year!**

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#### BL High School Musical

Congratulations to our learners who performed in our spring musical, *Dream of Disney: A Musical Theatre Celebration!* It was great seeing so many of our Young Warriors in action and our families loved it! Shout Out to all of you that came out to support!

#### SEPTA's Bus Revolution

SEPTA's Bus Revolution project is updating SEPTA's bus network with the goal of creating a bus system that is easier to use, more convenient and more reliable. **SEPTA's Bus Revolution project is hosting in-person and virtual meetings to share upcoming changes. This is an opportunity for families and students to hear about changes directly from SEPTA.** For more information about the SEPTA Forward: Bus Revolution project, please visit [septabusrevolution.com](http://septabusrevolution.com).

#### SAT Testing for Grade 11

Tuesday, April 25th, all 11th grade learners will take their SAT here at BL. 11<sup>th</sup> grade learners should report at our regular 8am start time and will be dismissed by 12:30pm. 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.

#### Workready Opportunities with MET (Management & Environmental Technologies)

Please check out the attached flier for a summer job opportunity for our learners!

#### Cobb's Creek Community Event

Please check out the attached flier for information related to community events taking place in our Cobb's Creek community!

#### Latin Day

Students may dress down on Monday 4/24 in honor of Rome's birthday/anniversary of Rome's founding on 4/21/753 B.C., **but only if they wear a toga over their clothes.** BYOT (bring your own toga). [Here is a video which shows you how to tie a bedsheet into a toga.](#) Again, please wear your own clothes UNDER the toga, and then wrap the sheet into a toga over your clothes. All toga-clad students are invited to a birthday party for Rome in the dining hall after school. Best-tied/best-ornamented toga wins a gift card!

## 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 Kickback Student Dance**

We will host a student dance on Friday, April 28<sup>th</sup> from 6pm-8:30pm. Learners must register by Thursday at 11:59pm in order to attend the Kickback.

### **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](mailto: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](mailto: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 [frontofficehs@boyslatin.org](mailto:frontofficehs@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 3<sup>rd</sup> 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 [drwashington@boyslatin.org](mailto:drwashington@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 3<sup>rd</sup>.**

### **Front Office Communication**

If you need to update any information or have any questions for our Administrative Assistant, Mrs. Cina Girard, please email [frontofficehs@boyslatin.org](mailto:frontofficehs@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](mailto: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](mailto: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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