



Boys' Latin High School

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Boys' Latin of Philadelphia High School

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.

Principal:

Eros Uthman-Olukokun

Academic Systems Manager:

Robert Fletcher

Greetings Warrior Nation,
Please check out this week's Ledger for all upcoming announcements.
We look forward to welcoming our learners back this week!!

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT BOYS' LATIN HS??

BL Faculty have been hard at work for the last 2 weeks engaging in professional development in preparation for our learners to return next week! We are all eager to start the 2023-2024 school year on the right note!

<u>Important Dates</u>	
8/28	Orientation for 11 th & 12 th Graders (8am-2:00pm)
8/29	Orientation for 10 th Graders (8am-2:00pm)
8/30	Full Day of School for ALL Learners (8:00 – 3:15pm)
9/4	Labor Day (Schools Closed)

First Day of School

We will have a rolling schedule to support a smooth transition into SY2024. Grades will return to the building on a staggered schedule for orientation:

- Monday, August 28: Class of 2024 (12th graders) & Class of 2025 (11th graders) will return to school from 8am-2:00pm.
- Tuesday, August 29: Class of 2026 (10th graders) will return to school from 8am-2:00pm.
- Wednesday, August 30: EVERYONE returns to school from 8am-3:20pm.
- Student Transportation
- Eligible learners will receive a SEPTA Student Fare Card during orientation or on the first day of school. The SEPTA Student Fare Card is a reusable chipped card used by students to board a SEPTA trolley, bus, or subway. Learners will be able to use the SEPTA Student Fare Card for the entire school year.

Community College of Philadelphia's Jr. STEM Academy STEM Based Programs

The CCP's Jr. STEM Academy is now accepting registrations for several STEM based programs taking place this fall. Flyers are attached with links to registration found on the flyer. These classroom-based programs are free and resource materials are provided by CCP.

- The Science Fair program introduces students in grades 6 - 12 to the Science Fair, giving resources and materials including CCP's FabLab, to successfully complete a science Fair project. Additionally, professional development is provided to teachers to guide them in the process.
- The STEM Votes program is an interdisciplinary STEM and voter education program incorporating the Minecraft Build a Better World program. Minecraft licenses and program materials are all provided.
- The Minority Men in Medicine program is for minority boys and is a biomedical engineering challenge and career panel. CCP provides professional development for teachers and resources to schools.

If you have any questions, please reach out to us, and we hope that you register for these great opportunities.

Please visit us at <https://www.ccp.edu/jr-stem-academy> for information on all our program offerings.

EFN Newsletter

Please check out the attached Extended Family Network (EFN) Newsletter!

Student & Family Handbook

Please check out the attached Student & Family Handbook!

Title I Parents Right-to-Know Notification

Please check out the attached Parents-Right-to-Know Notification.

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BL School Play Auditions

Auditions for the fall play will begin next week. This year's fall play is *Thoughts of a Colored Man* by Keenan Scott II, directed by Mr. Celeiro. This SLAM narrative is a contemporary viewpoint on the black male experience in America. Auditions will be Tuesday, September 5; Wednesday, September 6; and Thursday, September 7 directly after school in Room M3. Learners do not need to prepare anything, they will be reading from the script in your audition.

REPEATED WEEKLY REMINDERS

Student Transportation

Eligible learners will receive a SEPTA Student Fare Card on the first day of school. The SEPTA Student Fare Card is a reusable chipped card used by students to board a SEPTA trolley, bus, or subway. Unlike the disposable weekly transpass, learners will be able to use the SEPTA Student Fare Card for the entire school year.

Laptops

NEW STUDENTS: All new learners will receive a school issued laptop during the first week of school. You must make a one-time \$25 payment via the online portal and read the 1:1 Laptop Agreement. The fee is \$25. Please click the link to make a payment link: <https://www.boyslatin.org/for-families/chromebook-fees>.

ALL RETURNING STUDENTS: If your Warrior's laptop was lost or stolen over the summer or during last school year, you must pay a \$300 replacement fee for your student to receive a laptop. Please click the link to make a payment link: <https://www.boyslatin.org/for-families/chromebook-fees>

[Please Click Link if you need support or Payment Plan Options Available](#)

Supply List

The supply list below will assist families in ensuring that learners have the appropriate materials for their courses. Due to the robust course offerings, supply lists are tailored to course loads. Below are some suggested general supplies that you may purchase.

- 1-CLEAR bookbag (learners are only permitted to use a clear bookbag while in the building. All other bags must be left in their locker)
- 3- Composition or spiral books
- 6-2 pocket folders (various colors)
- 1 dozen sharpened pencils
- 1 dozen pens (black or blue)
- 1 3-inch Loose-leaf binder
- 2 packs of loose-leaf paper
- 1 box of reinforcements
- 1 pack of dividers
- TI-84 Plus CE (not required but highly encouraged)
- 1 Plastic or Metal Water Bottle or Canteen **(For Water Station)**

School Uniform

The official Boys' Latin High School uniform is purchased from Flynn & O'Hara located at 30 E. Baltimore Pike Clifton Heights, PA 19018 or online at www.flynnohara.com. Only purchases made from the official school uniform provider guarantees that the uniform is acceptable. The uniform will be fully enforced so it is imperative that families obtain the needed uniform pieces prior to the beginning of the school year.

The uniform will consist 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 Shoe **(NO sneakers, NO boots)**
- Black Socks

****This year, learners out of uniform will be sent home.** 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 2.

Please note that learners must be in full uniform. If your family is experiencing a hardship, please contact us at climateculture@boyslatin.org, so that we can best support your family.

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Summer Reading

This is a reminder that all learners had a summer reading assignment this summer. Please review the attached flier for all details. Due to the delay in some families obtaining the list, the assignment will be due on October 1st.

*9th graders completed an alternate assignment during Freshman Academy.

Front Office Support

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

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!

We will continue to share more information in the coming weeks to ensure you are all ready for a dynamic school start! If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact the school at 215.387.5149. We look forward to seeing all of our Young Warriors during their respective orientation day!

Brotherly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'E. Uthman-Olukokun'.

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Principal