

PARENT LEDGER VOLUME IV

Greetings Warrior Parents and Guardians,

There are many important details listed below please READ all important information about Back to School and upcoming events for our warriors and families.

Important Dates

Every Monday Students Dismiss at 2PM

Leadership Academy Sign-up begins 9/19

9/25 Progress Reports Issued

9/26 and 9/28 Tie Tying Party

9/30 EFN Healthy Living Line Dancing(Sign-Up)

10/2 Progress Report Conferences

10/2 Winter Uniform Starts

10/3 Leadership Academy Begins Students Dismiss at 4PM

10/14 Donuts and Dads (Sign-up)

Important Information and Resources about Boys' Latin Middle School can be found on our school website at <u>Boys' Latin for Families</u> under Important Information.

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Tie Tying PartiesNext week in preparation for our Warriors wearing the full winter uniform we will be hosting *Tie Tying*
Parties for our new warriors so they can learn how to Tie their ties.Warriors don't need to sign-up
they just need to stay after school from 3:30-4:00 on Tuesday 9/26 and Thursday 9/28.they just need to stay after school from 3:30-4:00 on Tuesday 9/26 and Thursday 9/28.We
recommend your warrior bring their winter uniform tie to practice. See images from last year's
parties.

Staff and student ambassadors will be present to practice tying different knots. If you are interested in

volunteering to help young warriors learn how to tie a tie please sign-up. Tie Tying Sign-up

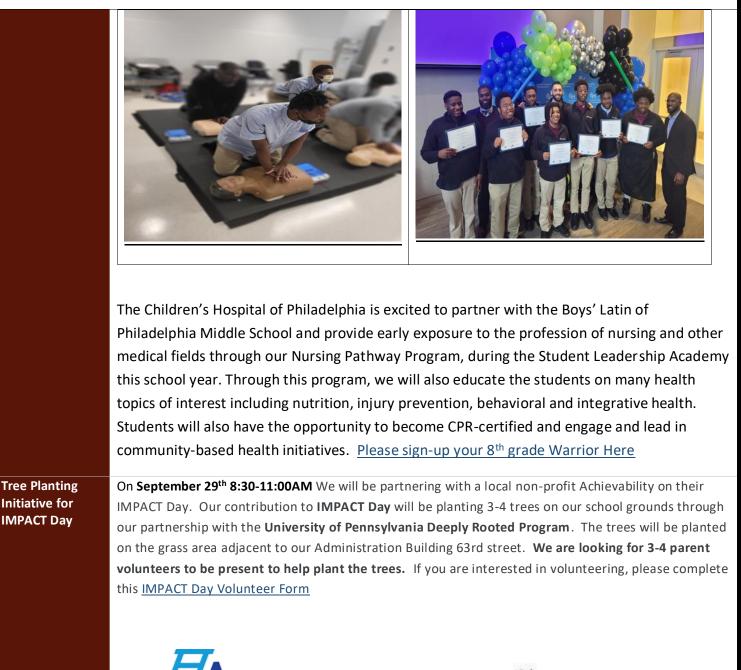
Tie Donations

If you have any ties you would like to donate so they can be used to practice please drop off ties at or front desk.



Hospital of Philadelphia Pathway Nursing Program for 8th Grade Students

Children's

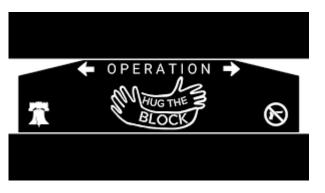






Hug The Block Initiative

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Community Activist Jamal Johnson and the gun violence prevention group Philly Truce will be Hugging the Block for 77 nights doing peace patrols all over the city. **They will be doing a peace patrol at 60th and Market on 10/13 between 10PM and 4AM.** Principal Parker and Principal Uthman will be attending to show solidarity and extend an opportunity to parents. If you are interested in participating for at least 1-2 hours to show solidarity with community activists, please complete the <u>Hug The Block Sign-up</u>

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https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eIXGSgxU96A

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Jm-CczNoqIs

Philadelphia
Board of
Education Parent
FeedbackThe Philadelphia Board of Education has partnered with Public Consulting Group (PCG) to develop a
Strategic Communications Plan. A key part of this work is to hear from a wide range of voices,
including students, teachers, staff, families, and administrators, to identify opportunities to improve
the Board's overall communication to community members. As a part of this effort, PCG is
administering an anonymous, community wide survey.

We encourage you to complete the survey: your input is valued and will inform the Board of Education's Strategic Communications Plan. Please be as honest as possible, your answers are confidential and key themes will be reported.

The survey link can be found <u>HERE</u> and will remain open until October 6, 2023.



EFN Events

Come out learn some healthy living strategies and have some fun with parents and staff<mark>. Please complete the registration link</mark>



Research shows that fathers' involvement in their children's lives is associated with many positive outcomes, including better academic performance, improved mental health, and reduced risk of involvement in risky behaviors and criminal activity." (Critical Need for Male Role Models, 2023)

Donuts and Dads is an annual event our Boys Latin community takes pride in to help promote relationship building and healthy bonding among our boys and their fathers and/or positive male role models present in their lives. The day consists of not only "breaking the ice" among males with an activity, but also breaking the barrier(s) around the stigmas around males coming together to share their experiences of the various hardships they are facing everyday in society. Every year, the number of participants grow and we continue to see more positive male role models in the lives of our young men!

This event is an opportunity for Dads, Male Mentors, and Father Figures to come together to bond and build with our Warriors. Space is limited so please register as soon as possible. <u>Please register here</u>

Leadersh	nip
Academy	y Sign-up

This week Students will have the opportunity to sign-up for Leadership Academy clubs. Students will select their top 3 choices. In order for students to sign-up warriors must have a laptop.

Please be advised we need a minimum of 8 students to sign up for a club in order for the club to officially start. If enough students don't sign-up for club we will not be able to offer that club.

If you are returning parent and your warrior does not have a laptop because it was lost or stolen. You MUST email <u>support@boyslatin.org</u> requesting a new laptop. Parents will have to pay a replacement of \$300 for the laptop. Payment plans are available and families experiencing financial hardship can receive support.

Warriors can sign-up for Leadership Academies Here

Leadership Academies

Leadership Academies
Yearbook
Culinary
NBA Math Hoops
Board Games
Student Government
Sneaker Club
Podcast/Debate
Debate
Anime
Bee and Garden Club
Drones
Art/Airbrush Club
Weightlifting
Fashion/Style Club
Music Production (vocal/instrumental/digital)/ BL Middle School Choir
School Newspaper
Yoga Club
Anime
Comic Book
Bucket Drumming

Laptops	Over the next 2 weeks students will need laptops to participate in important diagnostic	
	testing it is imperative that your warrior has a laptop next week.	
	NEW STUDENTS== ALL NEW students 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: <u>https://www.boyslatin.org/for-</u> families/chromebook-fees	
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Student IDs	All Warriors need to have their school IDs when they arrive at school for attendance purposes.	
	If students don't have ID's they will receive corrective behaviors in Kickboard.	
	Students who lost their ID's or never received an ID can take photos next week during their	
	lunch period.	
Winter Uniforms	Starting October 1st students MUST be in FULL winter uniform.	
	Please see image below as an example of the full winter uniform	
	Items can be purchased at <u>Flynn O'Hara</u> 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)	
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IMPORTANT INFORMATION FROM SOCIAL AND FAMILY SERVICES OFFICE As the School Social Worker of the Boys Latin Middle School, the overall goal is to enrich and empower our students and families to gain as much information to help better serve their basic physiological needs. With the help of our Faculty, Extended Family Network (EFN), and School Board, we believe this can be done. In order to better serve you, we ask that you **thoroughly review** the information below and reply as honestly as possible for further assistance, as needed.

1. **PARENT SURVEY**: Please complete this survey to help us determine proper programs for you throughout the year.

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdGjYfjo8cMsfKnd_xLiQoQRBrP4HJ7OQExFIgQHmKfYt57w/viewform

2. MCKINNEY VENTO: Please complete this form if you believe that your family would fall under the criteria of this program. A follow up call will be made by the School Social Worker. Please note that all information will be kept confidential and will only be shared among necessary staff in order to further assist you:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1qY4LlpfK8d0YuvKzaDPf7YNHWEzgjXHxLdS0ALWkG6M/edit

3. **PARENT VOLUNTEERS:** If you are interested in volunteering or chaperoning field trips, please complete our clearances below and return them in person during school hours or email them to <u>rparker@boyslatin.org</u>. Please see the attachments of the forms in the email.

Back to School Quantity Product Supplies Bookbag **Preferably cushion** 1 back pack for laptop security 1-2 2 Inch Binder or Trapper Keeper 10 Dividers **Composition Books** 2 1-2 Pencil Pouch 15-20 each Pens and Pencils Report Period Throughout Highlighters the year 1-2 Plastic or Metal Water Bottle or Canteen (For Water Station)

	Throughout the year Loose Leaf, College Ruled Lined Paper
	2 Scissors
	1 Ruler
Uniforms	<u>Gym Uniform</u> 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 1 eighth grade students will be the ONLY students taking gym, therefore only 8th 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 <u>Flynn O'Hara</u>
Quick Ways to Support Your Warrior	 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 <u>Combination Lock Practice</u>. You can practice directly on a cell phone. Laptop Charging Please make sure your warriors' laptop is charged each night and they bring it to school everyday. 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 last school year please complete the following <u>ID Photo Form</u>
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.
Drop off and Dismissal	As we prepare to return back to school Please keep the following in mind when dropping off and picking up your warrior:

Drop Off

1. Out of respect for our elderly neighbors please make sure you are NOT playing loud music when dropping off your warrior. Some are elderly neighbors have expressed that the loud music in the morning disturbs their sleep.

Pick-up

- Please DO NOT double park your car on Callowhill Street. Double parked cars create 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.
- Please DO NOT sit in your car double parked on Felton Street waiting for your student to come out of the building. This causes a traffic jam on Felton Street and a back-up of cars on Callowhill which leads to unsafe traffic jams.
- **3.** When picking-up your Warrior please **PARK** your car on Felton Street or other surrounding streets.