



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.

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Greetings Warrior Nation,

Happy Sunday! Please check out this week's Ledger for all upcoming announcements.

Important Dates	
Click HERE to access the Boys' Latin Network Calendar	
October 23	PSAT Testing for 10 th & 11 th Graders 1pm Early Dismissal (No school for 9th Graders)
October 24 & 25	Midterm Exams 10/24- Periods 1 & 2 10/25- Periods 3 & 4
October 27	Schoolwide Picture Day
October 27	Last Day of RP1
November 4	Senior Portraits SAT Testing for Registered Learners
November 7	Election Day (No School)
November 9	Veterans Day (No School)

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT BOYS' LATIN HS??

Shout Out to all of the families that supported and/or attended our homecoming activities! It was great to see our learners and families participate in the festivities. Shout Out to our football team for defeating Mastery by a score of 28-20 during our Homecoming game! Also, congratulations to our senior, Nasir D., for winning Homecoming King!



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. 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 7 college acceptance thus far this school year!**

Javon W. who was accepted to Chestnut Hill College
Devon B. who was accepted to Chestnut Hill College
Terrell P. who was accepted to Chestnut Hill College
Brian B. who was accepted to Chestnut Hill College

Nasir D. who was accepted to Chestnut Hill College
Miko K. who was accepted to Robert Morris University
Abdul-Latif W. who was accepted to Chestnut Hill College

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Midterm Exams

Midterms will take place this week starting on Tuesday, October 24th. The testing schedule will allow learners to focus on specific content areas each day (see below and attached copy). Please note that we will still follow our regular daily bell schedules and learners should report to school each day because they will still attend all of regular classes.

- On Tuesday, only math classes will administer their midterm/benchmarks
- On Wednesday, English & Fine Arts will administer their midterms
- On Thursday, Science and Electives will administer their midterms
- And on Friday, History and Latin will administer their midterms.
- Make-ups will take place in your classes the day following your scheduled exam.

PSAT Testing

PSAT testing will take place on Monday, October 23rd for all 10th and 11th graders. The PSAT is the practice SAT and provides learners access to merit scholarships based on scores along with giving learners an idea of how they would score on the regular SAT. This year, learners will take the electronic version of the PSAT so they will need their laptops (this is a reminder that learners can bring their personal laptops to school and gain access to our school WiFi if needed). Learners will report to school at the regular 8am time and will be dismissed at 1pm. 10th and 11th graders may dress down on that day.

12th graders will report to school and will work with the college and career departments for mandatory meetings. 9th graders will NOT have school on Monday, October 23rd due to PSAT testing.

New Morning Admit Entrance Protocol

Starting on Tuesday, October 24th, we will shift our student morning entrance procedure. In order to be more efficient in our morning admit procedure while providing learners the space to get into full uniform by removing outer layers and etc due to the temperature changes, **learners will enter the building through the Dining Hall doors from 7:30 to 8:00am.** After 8:00am, learners will come in through the front doors.

Please note that learners are officially late at 8:03am. It is imperative that learners get to school on time to ensure that they do not miss instruction which will ultimately impact their grades.

New Locker Policy

To improve student transitions and decrease the number of learners getting to class late, we are shifting to having learners only go to their lockers at the following time blocks:

- Before 1st period
- Between the 2nd and 3rd period transition
- At the end of the day after 4th period

As previously shared, upon entry, learners must put their nonclear backpacks in their lockers. They may then travel with their clear bags, or they may carry their items. Since we follow a block schedule and learners only take 4 classes during the semester, learners will only need to carry items for 2 periods before being able to go to their lockers if needed. Learners will not go to their lockers between 1st and 2nd period or between 3rd and 4th period.

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

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. As previously shared, if a learner misses 7 days within a academic quarter, they will receive a failing grade during that marking period. Additionally, learners will receive a detention for every three tardies to school. We understand that unforeseeable circumstances sometimes occur (hence the detention after the third occurrence) but it is imperative that learners attend school on time so that they do not fall behind in their first period class. We need your assistance in getting learners to school on time and ask that you speak with your child about the importance of attending each day, on time.

Each morning, the doors will open at 7:30am for learners to get breakfast before being dismissed to their lockers at 7:50am. Classes begin at 8am and learners are considered late at 8:03am.

All excused notes should be sent to frontofficehs@boyslatin.org

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.

Early Dismissals

All early dismissals must occur before 2:30PM. Additionally, in order for a learner to be dismissed early, they must either be picked up or/ or written communication must be received by Mrs. Girard

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Laptops

NEW STUDENTS: All new learners will receive a school issued laptop. 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> . Laptops will be delivered to students in class.

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: <https://www.boyslatin.org/for-families/chromebook-fees>. **Additionally, we have a new program where learners may bring their own laptop and we will provide Wi-Fi access.**

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

Student Transportation

Eligible learners will receive a Septa KeyPass. The Septa KeyPass is a reusable chipped card used by students to board a SEPTA trolley, bus, or subway. If your child needs a SeptaKey, they should email Mrs. Girard at frontdeskhs@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!

Water Bottle

Please ensure that your learner has a water bottle to fill up at the water stations each day. Water stations are located on each floor.

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 policy 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.**

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.

Front Office Support

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

Brotherly,

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