



# Boys' Latin High School

# The Ledger

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

Important Dates	
<a href="#">Click HERE to access the Boys' Latin Network Calendar</a>	
October 30	Monday 2PM Early Dismissal First Day of RP2
November 2	High School Open House (6-8pm)
November 4	Senior Portraits SAT Testing for Registered Learners
November 7	Election Day (No School)
November 8	Honors Convocations
November 10	Veterans Day (No School)

### WHAT'S HAPPENING AT BOYS' LATIN HS??

Shout Out to our BL Varsity Football team who had a phenomenal season! Our Young Warriors were able to make it to the playoffs but lost to School of the Future during the first round on Friday. We are proud of our teams' accomplishments, and we thank our school community for continuously showing up to cheer on our Young Warriors and for showering them with love!

On Friday, we celebrated the accomplishments of over 40 seniors who completed one of their graduation requirements by completing their SAT exams on two occasions. The learners took the assessments seriously and actively did their best to earn the highest score. We acknowledged their accomplishment by getting catered food from a local food truck and having them enjoy a period outdoors before heading to the playoff football game.

We look forward to continuing to celebrate our learners throughout the year!

### 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 12 college acceptance thus far this school year!**

*Tim W., who was accepted to Indiana Univ of Penn (IUP)      Terrell P. who was accepted to West Chester Univ*  
*Devon B. who was accepted to Virginia State Univ              Michael S. who was accepted to Virginia State Univ &*  
*Robert Morris Univ*

### RP2

Today is the first day of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Marking Period (RP2). Learners will have the opportunity to reflect on their accomplishments and set academic goals based on their performance from RP. The lessons will take place during Capstones classes next Monday. We encourage you all to engage with your Young Warriors to assist them in setting goals ahead of next week's lessons.

### Report Cards & Honor Convocations

Report Cards will begin getting emailed to families on November 3<sup>rd</sup>. Please be on the lookout for those emails. Additionally, this is a reminder that we will not host report card conferences this year. Conferences will take place at the midpoint of the quarter to assist learners in making the necessary changes to obtain the highest possible GPAs by the end of the marking period. We welcome you all contact your child's educators with any questions/concerns that you may have.

We will host our Honors Convocations on November 8<sup>th</sup> to celebrate the accomplishments of our learners who earned 1<sup>st</sup> Honors (3.5 or above with no grade a B- or below) and 2<sup>nd</sup> Honors (3.0 or above with no grade a C- or below).

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## Free Food & Turkey Giveaway

There will be free food and turkey giveaways on Wednesday, November 1<sup>st</sup>. Please review the attached fliers. We encourage our families to take advantage of events.

## New Morning Admit Entrance Protocol

Starting on Tuesday, October 24<sup>th</sup>, 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 1<sup>st</sup> period
- Between the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> period transition
- At the end of the day after 4<sup>th</sup> 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 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> period or between 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto: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 [frontofficechs@boyslatin.org](mailto:frontofficechs@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

### 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](mailto:frontdeskhs@boyslatin.org)

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### 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](http://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](mailto: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 [frontofficechs@boyslatin.org](mailto: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](mailto:euthmanolukokun@boyslatin.org)

Brotherly,

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