



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.

Greetings Warrior Nation,
Happy Monday! Please check out this week's Ledger for all upcoming announcements.

Important Dates	
Click HERE to access the Boys' Latin Network Calendar	
January 9, 11, 16	Keystone Testing Days
January 15	MLK Day (No School)
January 17 & 18	Keystone Testing Make-Ups
January 20	Saturday School
January 22-26	Finals Exam Week

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT BOYS' LATIN HS??

Mrs. Casey's Honors Latin IV class translates and analyzes the story of Orpheus and Eurydice by Ovid each year. This year, the class was able to travel to NYC for the day on 1/3 to see HadesTown, a smash-hit Broadway musical interweaving the tragic love stories of Orpheus the bard and his beloved wife Eurydice with Hades and Persephone, the lord and lady of the Underworld. The students were able to see a spectacular performance featuring Jordan Fisher as Orpheus and Phillip Boykin as Hades, and then had some time to visit Times Square and explore the theater district.

Our very own Brother's In Song graced the stage during the Mayoral Inauguration last week! They sang the Black National Anthem for our 100th City Mayor, Cherelle Parker.



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 67 college acceptance thus far this school year!**

Shabad B.H who was accepted to Moore College of Arts
Mekhi H. who was accepted to Penn State Uni Park
Antwain M. who was accepted to Temple Univ

Jayden D. who was accepted to Florida Institute of Tech
Mekhi H. who was accepted to Xavier Uni of Louisiana
Jayire G. who was accepted to Kutztown Univ

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2 Week Glance

Click on the image below to see the next two weeks at a glance

Monday 8	Tuesday 9	Wednesday 10	Thursday 11	Friday 12	Saturday 13
	Winter Keystone Algebra I: Grades 9-12 8:00 AM - 2:00 PM JV Basketball vs. Carver Engineering & Science 3:15 PM - 5:15 PM George Washington Carver High School of Engineering and Science Varsity Basketball vs. Carver Engineering & Science 3:30 PM - 5:30 PM Lucien Blackwell Community Center	Mandatory Junior Internship Meeting for Parents and Students 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM	Winter Keystone Biology: Grades 9-12 8:00 AM - 2:00 PM JV/Varsity Bowling 2:30 PM - 4:30 PM V&S Elmwood Lanes JV Basketball vs. Randolph Technical High School 3:15 PM - 5:15 PM Christy Rec Center	Winter Keystone Make-up Testing: Grades 9-12 Varsity Basketball vs. Bartram 3:30 PM - 5:30 PM Bartram High School	
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Closed: Martin Luther King Jr. Day	Winter Keystone Literature: Grades 9-12 8:00 AM - 2:00 PM JV Basketball vs. Olney High School 3:15 PM - 5:15 PM OLNEY CHARTER HIGH SCHOOL Varsity Basketball vs. Olney High School 3:15 PM - 5:15 PM Christy Rec Center	Winter Keystone Make-up Testing: Grades 9-12	Winter Keystone Make-up Testing: Grades 9-12 JV/Varsity Bowling 2:30 PM - 4:30 PM V&S Elmwood Lanes JV Basketball vs. Horace Furness High School 3:15 PM - 5:15 PM Lucien Blackwell Community Center Varsity Basketball vs. Philadelphia Academy Charter School 3:45 PM - 5:45 PM Guerin Recreation Center		Saturday School: Grades 9-12 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Keystone Testing

Keystone testing will begin on Tuesday, January 9th.

Tuesday 1/9: Algebra

Thursday 1/11: Bio

Tuesday 1/16: Literature

Wednesday 1/17 & Thursday 1/18: Make-ups (regular school days with learners getting pulled to test)

Only learners testing will report to school by 8am. Learners will test and will be dismissed at approximately 2pm. Learners may dress down during the testing days.

Final Exams

Final exams will take place during the week of January 22nd. The last day of the 1st Semester is January 26th.

South Africa Trip

We're so excited to invite you to join us in **SOUTH AFRICA** in the **Summer of 2025!** As we mentioned at our info session, educational travel exposes students to new people, places, and cultures which in turn expands their knowledge of the world and their knowledge of themselves. That's why we're thrilled to bring this opportunity to your family and our community.

Enroll now and take advantage of EF's risk-free enrollment period. Reminder: **We have limited space available!**

- **June 18** Enrollment: www.eftours.com/2676719CK
- **June 24** Enrollment: www.eftours.com/2664758ht

For those who couldn't attend the info session, below are the main pieces of information you should know. Once you've gone through the information, you can enroll online or reach out to us with any questions that you have.

- We've partnered with EF Tours, the world leader in international education, to offer this experience
- Read more about how EF supports our group, including additional info about safety, affordability, credit options, and more: <https://www.eftours.com/how-it-works/for-parents>
- There are **over 190 families interested**, and with limited seating, we fully expect the trip to fill up after this email goes out. Please make sure to enroll while we have space, and remember, you have 14 days from the date you enroll to withdraw for a full refund if you need to!
- For any questions, please reach out to **EF's Traveler Support Team** at **800-665-5364** or via the chat feature at www.eftours.com
- They are available Monday-Friday, 9am-5pm to answer any questions you may have about payments, rooming, dietary needs, and so on!

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 an academic quarter, they will receive a failing grade during that marking period. 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.

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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!

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.

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

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.

Brotherly,



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