



Boys' Latin High School

The Ledger

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

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

Important Dates

[Click HERE to access the Boys' Latin Network Calendar](#)

[Click on the image below to see the next two weeks at a glance.](#)

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
15	16	17	18	19	20
Senior Internship Starts JVVarsity Baseball vs. Samuel Fels High School 3:15 PM - 5:15 PM Shepard Recreation Center, 5700 Haverford Ave.	Career Day: Grades 9-12 5501 Cedar Ave.		Spring Musical 5501 Cedar Ave. JVVarsity Track Meet 3 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM South 58th Street & Grays Avenue Philadelphia Public League Track & Field Bartram Track 3:15pm - 6:00pm JVVarsity Baseball vs. Swenson High School 3:15 PM - 5:15 PM Conwell Avenue & Roosevelt Boulevard	Spring Musical 5501 Cedar Ave.	Spring Musical 5501 Cedar Ave. Penn Wood Invitational Penn Wood High School 9:00am-2:00pm
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					JVVarsity Crew 5th Flick / Horvat Regatta Boathouse Row, 1 Boathouse Row, Philadelphia, PA
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
22	23	24	25	26	27
			JVVarsity Baseball vs. Maritime Academy Charter School 3:15 PM - 5:15 PM Shepard Recreation Center, 5700 Haverford Ave. Annual Fundraising Event 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM	Senior Internship Ends	Saturday School: Grades 9-12 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM 5501 Cedar Ave.
					Sunday 28

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT BOYS' LATIN HS??

On Tuesday, April 9th, we celebrated the academic accomplishments of our Young Warriors from the 3rd quarter through our Honors Convocations. Learners were presented with awards and pins for earning 1st or 2nd honors in front of their peers. We are truly proud of their accomplishments, and we look forward to seeing more learners make the list during the 4th quarter. Below are some pictures from the event.

On Tuesday evening, we continued celebrating learner's academic accomplishment through our National Honor Society ceremony! Learners Dylan A., Marquise F.R., Sameer O., Jylem W.H. and Khalif B.C. were inducted into the National Honor Society to join our current active members: Justin W., Mekhi H., Neil C., Karim M., Khalil S., and Khary B. in the formal induction ceremony. Membership in the National Honors Society is one of the highest honors that can be awarded to a high school student, and we are excited to see our membership grow! Congratulations Young Warriors!



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 166 college acceptance thus far this school year!**

Nasir D. who was accepted to Jackson State Uni.

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BL School Play: Peter and the Starcatcher

The spring play, *Peter and the Starcatcher* by Rick Elice and Wayne Barber, will perform Thursday, April 18th and Friday, April 19th at 6pm, and on Saturday, April 20th at 2pm in the Boys' Latin High School Dining Hall. Come out to support our Young Warriors in this hilarious and bizarre original story of Peter Pan, complete with pirates, mermaids, sword fights, and fairies. Tickets are free to BL learners and staff, and \$5 for the general public. Tickets can be purchased for non-BL members on the Boys' Latin website. Any student who attends will also earn Kickboard points.

Keystone Testing

Keystone testing will be taking place starting May 14th. Passing the Keystones is one of the pathways to graduation as outlined by the state of Pennsylvania. In order to prepare learners for the assessment, we will begin providing additional Saturday tutorials. Please be on the lookout for more information which will be shared.

SATs for 11th Graders

April 30th will be a regular day of school for ALL learners. The SATs for 11th graders will be taken on June 1st.

Student Spring Uniforms

Learners will be allowed to wear their spring uniforms. The Spring uniform consists of the maroon polo shirt, khaki pants, a black belt, and black shoes. The maroon polo shirts can be purchased at Flynn O'Hara. ***Please note that learners must wear black shoes and not sneakers nor boots. Learners may continue wearing their winter uniforms. Hoodies are not allowed.***

Summer Employment Opportunities

Below are some summer employment opportunities for our Young Warriors and school community.

[Jews Job Opportunities Ages 12-24](#)

[Center For Black Educator Development High School Students Only](#)

WorkReady: WorkReady is a program in July-August providing paid work experiences for youth living in Philadelphia. **Work experiences take place 5 days/week at a designated worksite.** WorkReady is for young people looking to explore different career paths, get paid while learning valuable skills, and prepare for their future! Our Young Warriors can [refer to this link](#) to get more information and begin taking the steps to secure a summer job opportunity. All communications must be directly with this program concerning a summer job for your warrior. Click [HERE](#) to review the video from the WorkReady parent meeting on 4/3.

Working Papers

You asked and we listened!!! No longer will our Young Warriors have to crisscross the city to obtain their work permit. **Boys' Latin is now an official Work Permit Issuing Site.** Eligible Boys' Latin learners are now able to obtain their official work permit here at the school with no wait time. Learners MUST return their completed application, signed by a parent or guardian, and present a copy of one of the following for evidence of age documents: (birth certificate, baptismal certificate, passport, or another documentary evidence) to Dr. Washington.

Hours to obtain your working permit are as follows:

Mondays: 2:00-4:00

Tuesdays-Fridays: During the applicant's ASSIGNED lunch period. 11:30-1:45

Wednesdays: in addition to the lunch periods, learners will be able to sign up for appointments between 3:00-5:00

Please use [THIS LINK](#) to sign up for an appointment. Dates for the upcoming week will be added on Thursday of the current week. If a learner has an upcoming interview and needs to have their application process expedited (rush processed) please email Dr. Washington directly at nwashington@boyslatin.org.

Finally, below is a list of resources for you to reference.

[FAQ & Info on Child Labor Law in PA](#)

[Work hours abstract](#) (the employer is 100% responsible for compliance)

School Messenger Text Message Opt In

Thank you to all who continue to review our emails and phone blasts sent through School Messenger. Our platform now has a feature where we can also send text messages to families. In order to Opt-In follow the steps below or check out the attached flier

Opt-In from
your mobile
now!



Just send "Y"
or "Yes" to
67587.

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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.

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

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

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. Gina 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

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

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. **This year, learners out of uniform will be sent home to retrieve their items before returning to school.**

Brotherly,

Eros Uthman-Olukokun
School Leader