

# Parent Ledger Volume IV

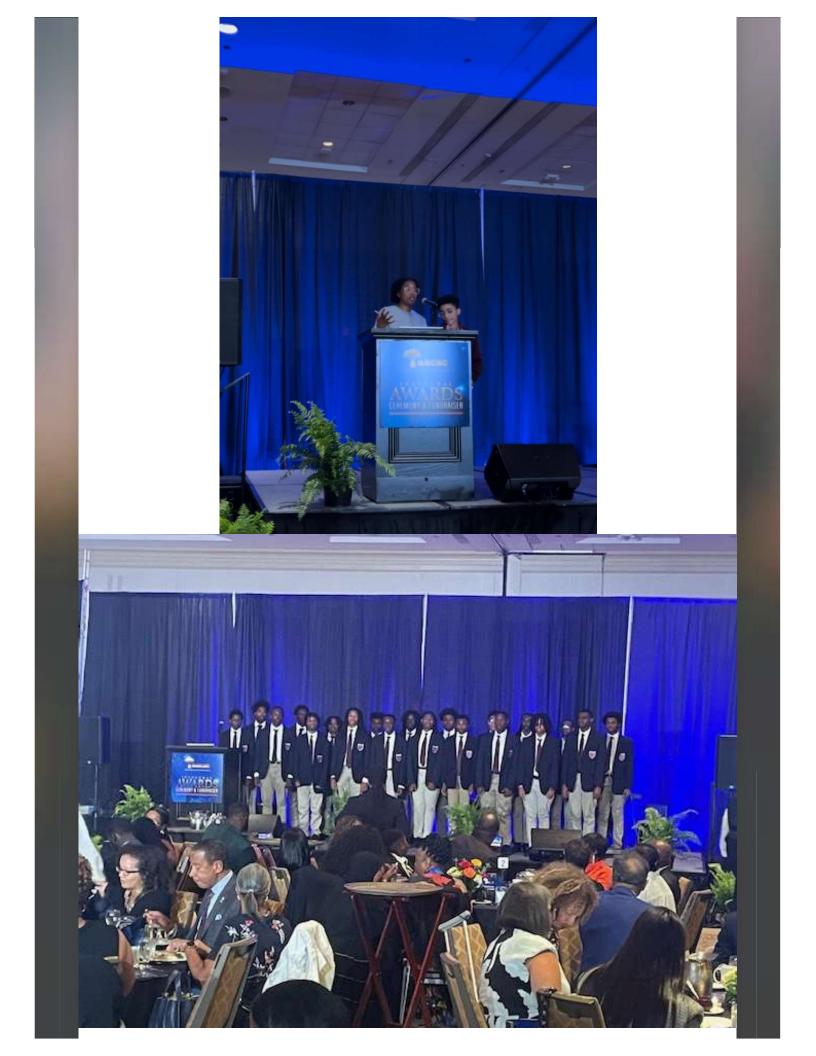
# **Important Dates**

- 10/2-10/4 Progress Reports Issued
- 10/1 Winter Uniforms begin
- 10/1 Leadership Academy begins 9th-11th Grade Students Tuesday and Thursday 4PM Dismissal
- 10/7 Progress Report Conferences 3:00-6:30PM( Virtual Conferences)
- 10/11 Homecoming Football Game, Tailgate and Caravan
- 10/12 Senior Picture Day 10:30-3:00PM

# **Weekly Highlights**

# Boys' Latin at the Inaugural African-American Charter School Coalition Fundraiser

On Thursday night our Boys' Latin Choir, Brothers in Song under the direction of music teacher Mr. Golden performed two songs at the Inaugural African-American Charter School Coalition Fundraiser. Our boys did a phenomenal job. One of our warrior parents, Ms. Myers, also spoke about her experience as parent of a high school and middle school warrior.





## Boys' Latin at the Bicycle Coalition of Greater Philadelphia Scholarship Gala

Last Thursday night a member of our Bicycle Club represented Boys' Latin at the Bicycle Coalition of Greater Philadelphia Scholarship Gala. Montez did a great job representing Boys' Latin and networking with donors and members of the Philadelphia cycling community.





# **Important Reminders**

#### WINTER UNIFORM STARTS TUESDAY OCTOBER 1ST

#### **Winter Uniforms**

Winter Uniforms will begin next Tuesday on October 1st. The winter uniform consist of the Boys' Latin Blue Blazer, Blue oxford shirt, BL Striped Tie, Khaki pants, black belt and black shoes. If warriors are NOT in full uniform when they arrive to the building, a parent will be contacted and the student will serve a detention or be sent home. If you are experiencing financial hardship and need assistance please complete the following assistance form.



# **Uniform Assistance Request**

On October 1, 2024, we will transition to winter uniform. The uniform pieces for the winter uniform includes the following; navy blazer with school patch, light blue long sleeve button up shirt, khaki pants, maroon and navy tie, black oxford shoes and a black belt. If you are in need of assistance due to financial hardship, please complete this form in its entirety.

Dr. na'Khia S. Washington, Director of School Counseling

Sign in to Google to save your progress. Learn more

\* Indicates required question

Student Name \*

#### LEADERSHIP ACADEMY BEGINS TUESDAY OCTOBER 1ST

Leadership academy is extra curricular activities that give students the opportunity to explore and develop their talents. This helps students build a robust resume for college and future careers.

- 9th-11th Grade Students are required to stay for Leadership Academy as it is a REQUIREMENT FOR YOUR WARRIOR TO GRADUATE.
- Tuesday and Thursday 3:20-4PM



### **Title 1 Parents Right To Know Notification**

Please review important information below.

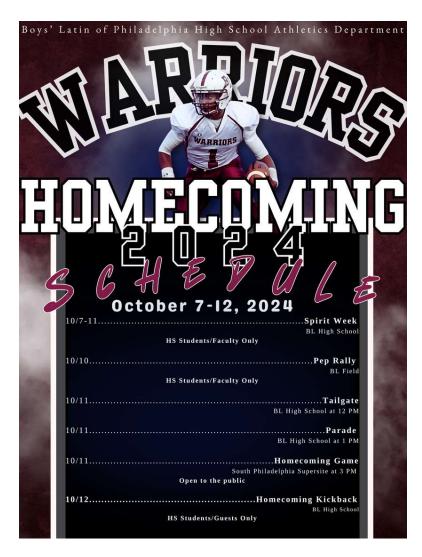


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### **Boys' Latin Homecoming Football Game**

Please see flyers below about Homecoming Weekend





#### **Cell Phones and Parent Phone Calls**

As a reminder students are NOT allowed to use their phones in class or during transitions. Students can use their phones while in the cafeteria during breakfast and lunch. There have been instances when students phones have been confiscated from students because parents or guardians are texting or calling students during the day. PLEASE do NOT call or text your warrior during the school day.



If you need to get a message to your warrior please call the school directly or email our administrative assistant Ms. Sheppard <a href="mailto:csheppard@boyslatin.org">csheppard@boyslatin.org</a>

## **Extended Family Network Webinar**

On Friday, November 8, 5:30 - 6:30pm, the EFN for the MS and HS will host an informational webinar covering attendance, PowerSchool, and dual enrollment.



# **Conduct off School Grounds and on Public Transportation**

A former warrior parent called the school to inform us how a group of Boys' Latin students on the Route G bus were misrepresenting our school by being disrespectful and rowdy on the bus. Please talk with your warrior about their conduct on their way to and from school. We will be working with SEPTA and neighbors to identify students who are violating our code of conduct. Please be mindful if your warrior is violating our school code of conduct on their way to or from school they can suspended or expelled from Boys' Latin.



## **Fake Early Dismissal Emails**

Since the start of the school year there have been a few students who have sent emails posing as their parents or other adults asking us to dismiss their warrior early. This is unacceptable and not safe. Please be aware if your warrior does this they will receive a 2 hour Saturday detention and if it happens again they will be suspended with the intent to expel.

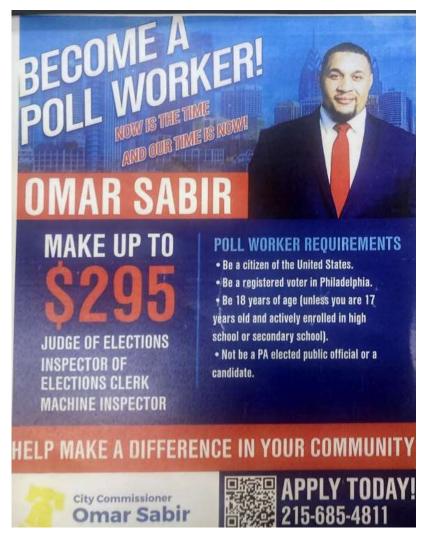
### Laptops

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 link: <a href="https://www.boyslatin.org/for-families/chromebook-fees">https://www.boyslatin.org/for-families/chromebook-fees</a> Payment Plan option is available.

# **Community Partnerships**

### **Poll Worker Opportunity for Students on Election Day!**

If you have a warrior or student 17 years or older they have the opportunity earn money on election day! Please see flyer below for more details.



# General Need to Know and Technology Resources

### **Technology Resources**

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.

Follow Us Online







If you need support with laptops or accessing any of technology platforms please email <a href="mailto:support@boyslatin.org">support@boyslatin.org</a>

School Phone: 215-387-5149 Ext 1

Follow Us Online

IG Handle: @BoysLatinofPhiladelphia

Twitter Handle: @BoyslatinCs

Facebook: <u>www.Facebook.com/BoysLatin</u> <u>www.Facebook.com/BoysLatinofPhilaEFN</u>

#### Dr. Washington's Virtual Counseling

If you need resources or want to connect with Dr. Washington visit her virtual page Dr. Washington's Counseling page

### **PowerSchool Updates**

There's been a lot of confusion with accessing PowerSchool. Over the summer we updated the platform as so we can have the newest version of PowerSchool. Any PowerSchool links from previous years are inactive! Please use the following link instead



https://boyslatin.powerschool.com

Here are links to the Google Play/ Apple store for any parents having issues :

Play Store - <a href="https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?">https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?</a>
<a href="id=com.powerschool.portal&pcampaignid=web\_share">id=com.powerschool.portal&pcampaignid=web\_share</a>

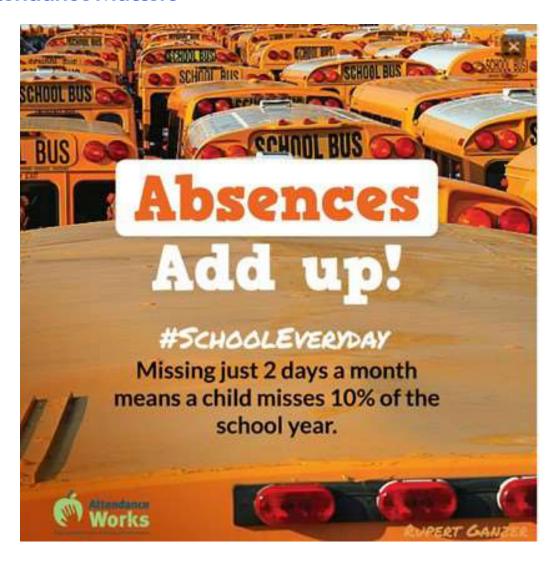
Apple app store - https://apps.apple.com/ca/app/powerschool-mobile/id973741088

#### **Important Need to Know**

- 1. **Early Dismissals-** When necessary, you are able to request an early dismissal for your child. You can make the request using a written note that you send with your child or by emailing me at <a href="mailto:csheppard@boyslatin.org">csheppard@boyslatin.org</a>. Some parts of our day are busier than others. For this reason, we ask that all early dismissals happen before 2pm.
- 2. **Excusing an Absence-** When your child is absent, a written/emailed absent note is required to excuse the absence. You are able to excuse the absence for up to 2 consecutive days with the written note/email. If your child is absent for a 3rd consecutive day, a written/emailed medical note is required. No more than 10 excused absences are allowed during the school year. More details regarding attendance can be found on the attached Attendance Policy.
- 3. **Transportation-** Only students that live **1.5 miles or more** from the school qualify for transportation and will receive a Septa Fare Card. The fare card is of no cost to families. The School District of Philadelphia determines whether your child is eligible for transportation. If your child is found to be eligible for transportation they will receive (1) YELLOW fare care. Although issues are isolated, please be advised that you may have to provide transportation for your child for up to the first 2 weeks of school if there is an issue with your transportation status. The school district does not furnish us with day passes, vouchers or any other fare items. More information regarding the Septa Student Fare Card can be found here.

4. **Parent/Family Contact Information-** Please make sure that all of your contact information is upto-date. We use the contact information that you provide to issue early dismissals, emergencies and communication. If you need to change your address, please contact Ms. Sheppard at <a href="mailto:csheppard@boyslatin.org">csheppard@boyslatin.org</a>

### **Attendance Matters**



#### WHAT YOU CAN DO

#### Make school attendance a priority

- . Talk about the importance of showing up to school every day.
- Help your teen maintain daily routines, such as finishing homework and getting a good night's sleep.
- Try not to schedule dental and non-Covid-19 related medical appointments during the school day.
- · Keep your student healthy, and if you are concerned about Covid-19, call your school for advice.
- If your teens must stay home because they are sick or in quarantine, make sure they have asked teachers for resources and materials to make up for the missed learning time in the classroom.

#### Help your teen stay engaged

- · Find out if your children feel engaged by their classes, and feel safe from bullies and other threats.
- Make sure your teens are not missing class because of challenges with behavioral issues or school discipline policies. If any of these are problems, contact the school and work with them to find a solution.
- Monitor you teen's academic progress and seek help from teachers or tutors when necessary. Make sure teachers know how to contact you.
- Stay on top of your child's social contacts. Peer pressure can lead to skipping school, while students without many friends can feel isolated.
- · Encourage your teen to join meaningful after-school activities, including sports and clubs.
- · Notice and support your students if they are showing signs of anxiety.

#### Communicate with the school

- · Know the school's attendance policy incentives and penalties.
- · Check on your teen's attendance to be sure absences are not adding up.
- · Seek help from school staff, other parents or community agencies if you need support.



### **Principal Parker**