

Parent Ledger Volume V

Important Dates

- 10/7 Progress Report Conferences 3:00-6:00PM(Virtual Conferences)
- 10/11 Homecoming Football Game, Tailgate and Caravan
- 10/12 Senior Picture Day 10:30-3:00PM
- 10/12 Homecoming Kick Back 5PM-8PM
- 10/14 Indigenous People Day (No School)
- 10/21 Senior Credit Review with Family 2:30--4:15PM

Important Reminders

Virtual Progress Report Conferences 3PM-6PM

Greetings Warrior Parent and Guardians,

We will be holding virtual Progress Report Conferences to meet with teachers on **Monday, October 7th from 3-6:00PM**. Progress Reports have been emailed to parents.

The conference is an opportunity for you to meet with your student's teachers to review your student's grades. Please only sign-up for conferences with teachers if your student is failing a course. We would like to prioritize meetings with parents whose students are failing.

All conferences will be held via Zoom. Please make sure your Zoom account displays the full name you used to schedule the conference. Please arrive at the conference on time. If you are running late or miss your conference, email your student's teacher to reschedule. Please do not hesitate to email your student's teacher with any questions or concerns.

Instructions for Parents

Sign Up Link: https://www.ptcfast.com/schools/Boys_Latin_PHL

- 1. Click the sign up link above. Once redirected to the above webpage please fill in the check-boxes of teachers you wish to meet with and hit "Submit".
- 2. You will now be directed to the Sign Up page where you will enter Student Name, Parent / Guardian Name, and an Email Address. (Email Address is required for our system to send you a link to actually sign up for a time-slot to meet a teacher.) Hit "Submit" once finished.
- 3. You will now receive an email with the link to sign up to all pre-selected teacher conferences. Please click either the blue "PTCFast sign-in link:" or "Click here to select conference time."
- 4. Finally you will be directed to the Time Picker page. All previously selected teachers will be shown with their time slots. Please choose an available time slot for each teacher. When finished scroll down and hit "Confirm Selections." The system will then email you the times you selected.
 - Also note each column on the Time Picker page contains that teacher's zoom link in the "Location:" area. Please copy these zoom links down to gain access to conferences

Homecoming Spirit Week

In celebration of Homecoming students will have the opportunity to participate in Spirit Week by dressing according to theme days.

When dressing down students must wear long pants, no inappropriate messages or images on clothing. All clothing should fit appropriate nothing too tight or too loose. Boys' Latin is a school for students who identify as male and, as such, the school's dress down days corresponds to male gender expression.



Sports Team Monday

Rep your favorite sports team with either the jersey, t-shirt, hoodie or jacket

Pink Tuesday

Show your support for Breast Cancer Awareness Month by wearing pink.

Cartoon Wednesday

Dress up as your favorite cartoon character.

Blackout Thursday

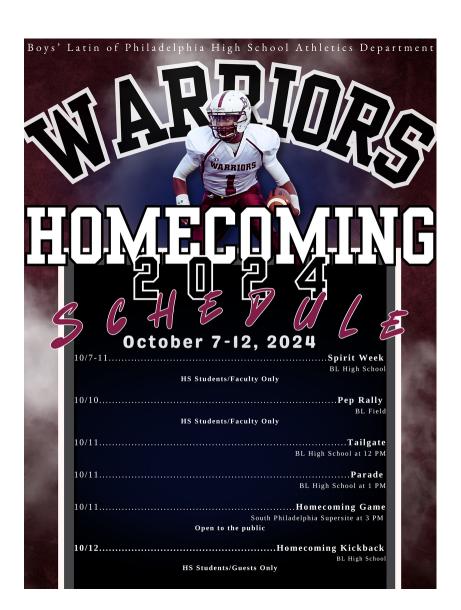
Wear All black from head to toe

BL Gear Friday

Paint the building Navy, Maroon, Grey, and White by wearing your best BL Gear or colors

Boys' Latin Homecoming Football Game

Please see flyers below about Homecoming Weekend





School Wide Summit on Respect

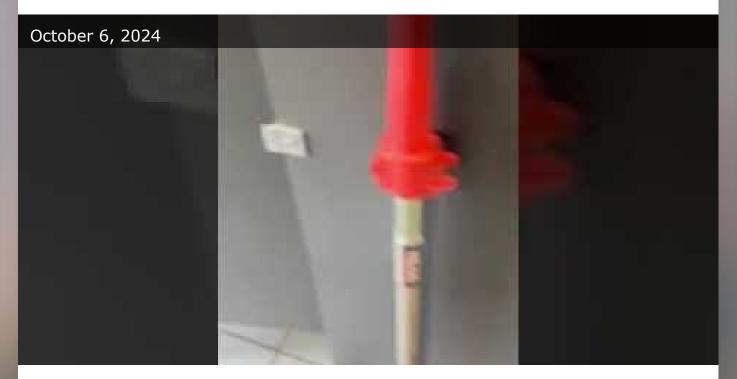
Last week, Principal Parker held school wide summits with 9th-11th grade classes about the value of integrity and what it means to Respect Self, Respect Others, and Respect Boys' Latin. The lack of respect that some students have for themselves, others, the building, and the Boys' Latin brand is unacceptable. Select 12th grade students were present to talk with their brothers about expectations and speak their truth about respect in the building. We doubled down on the fact that it is a privilege to attend Boys' Latin and the privilege should be reflected in the conduct of students. Please see attached slide deck on the specific items we addressed.

Students were informed that if the bathroom continues to be disrespected it will be locked during specific periods throughout the day. Students were also informed that horseplaying will lead to suspensions. Please see images and video clip of how the bathroom looks by the middle and/or end of the day. Please talk with warrior your about their conduct in the building and their respect of school property.









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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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 csheppard@boyslatin.org

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.



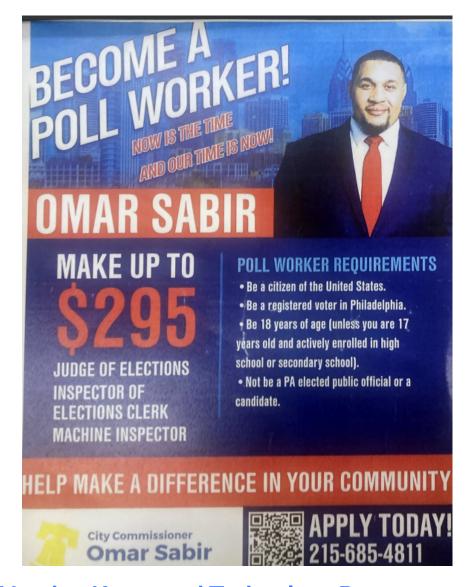
Laptops

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: https://www.boyslatin.org/for-families/chromebook-fees 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</u> Families under Important Information.

Follow Us Online







If you need support with laptops or accessing any of technology platforms please email support@boyslatin.org

School Phone: 215-387-5149 Ext 1

Follow Us Online

IG Handle: @BoysLatinofPhiladelphia

Twitter Handle: @BoyslatinCs

Facebook: www.Facebook.com/BoysLatinofPhilaEFN

Dr. Washington's Virtual Counseling

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

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

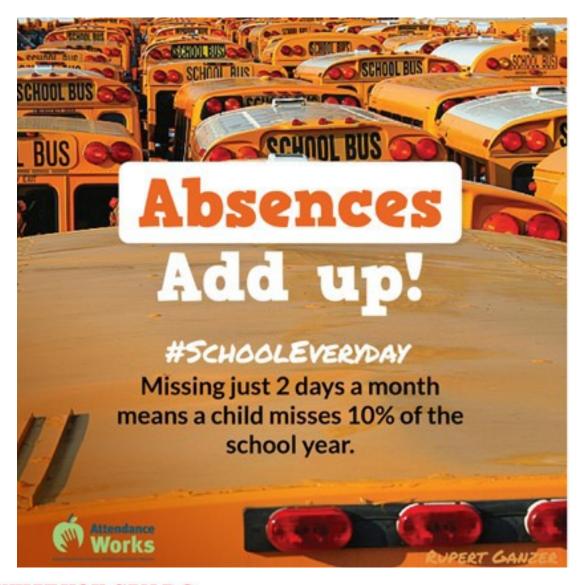
Here are links to the Google Play/ Apple store for any parents having issues:

Play Store - https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?
id=com.powerschool.portal&pcampaignid=web_share

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 csheppard@boyslatin.org. 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.
- 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 csheppard@boyslatin.org



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.

