

Parent Ledger #16: December 9, 2024

Principal's Corner

Greetings Warrior Families,

I hope you had a great weekend and are having a great start to your week! Last week, we were very blessed to officially open our Boys' Latin Middle School Gym! On Wednesday, December 4th we were joined by community leaders, former and current students, families, and Boys' Latin staff for a day of celebrating this milestone occasion for the Boys' Latin community! It has certainly been a labor of love and after 3 years, today our 6th grade warriors were able to play in the gym in for the first time! As we approach the holiday season, this is one of the best gifts we are blessed to be able to give to our warriors!



See below for exciting upcoming events and as always, please feel free to reach out to us with any questions you may have!

In partnership,

Principal Sanford

Important Dates & Reminders

December 11th: Picture Day Makeups

December 13th: Jazz Night at Boys' Latin High School

December 16th: Barbers Who Care Presents "A Holiday Giveback"

December 17th: Winter Showcase

December 19th: EFN Presents "EF Connects"

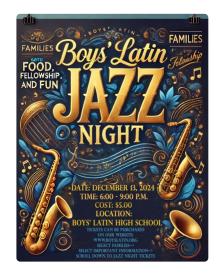
December 20th: RP2 Progress Reports

December 21st: EFN Community Service at Life Center Shelter **December 23rd - January 3rd:** *SCHOOL CLOSED* Winter Break



Extended Family Network "Jazz Night"

Please join us over at Boys' Latin High School for "Jazz Night" on Friday, December 13th from 6pm - 9pm hosted by the Extended Family Network! This will be an exciting evening of Music, Food and Fellowship as we support our talented Warriors and staff members! The cost for this event is \$5 and tickets can be purchased by CLICKING HERE!



Holiday Giveback Event

This holiday season we are partnering with Barbers Who Care to provide a great holiday experience EXCLUSIVELY for Boys' Latin of Philadelphia Families!

On **December 16th from 2PM to 6PM**, Barbers Who Care will be providing **FREE Haircuts**, **FREE Winter Coats** and **FREE Winter Boys' Latin Uniform items** for Boys' Latin students and their families.

Please complete the form below to sign-up your warrior or a school-age member of your family below. See important details below.

- 1. We have 20 highly skilled barbers led by barber and grooming extraordinaire Kenny Duncan
- 2. We will be able to provide 75 coats and uniforms for the 1st 75 students that sign-up. Please only complete if you plan to attend and if you are in need of items Haircuts are unlimited
- 2. Parents must be present to order uniforms for Middle School students
- 3. Families Must sign-up to attend.
- 4. You must complete a form for each student if you have multiple students



BLMS Winter Showcase

Join us here at the middle school on Tuesday, December 17th from 5pm - 7pm for our Winter Showcase! Our Fine Arts Department is working diligently with the boys to produce a very special evening!

If your warriors are interested in participating, please encourage them to sign up with Ms. Butcher, Ms. Folger or Mr. Peterson this Monday or Tuesday!



EFN Presents "EF Connects"

EF Connects is a safe space provided to parents coming together to share ideas and thoughts on navigating relationships with our young warriors. No experts, only experiences! **Please join us next Thursday, December 19th at 7PM** if you are interested! This very special series is taking place on Zoom! See below for details:

Zoom Link: https://us05web.zoom.us/j/86501068645?

<u>pwd=gBzbtP059ab5r2dOyNioPYVwoHU8ej.1</u>

Meeting ID: 865 0106 8645

Passcode: 09w92A



EFN Sock & Blanket Drive

We are continuing with our *Cohort Competition* now through December 18th! We are asking students to bring in new socks and/or blankets in support of our community members experiencing homelessness! The section who brings in the most donations of socks and/or blankets will win a special prize! Help your warrior's cohort win the prize by donating! See the flyer for more details!



EFN Monthly Community Service

The Extended Family Network has decided to build a partnership with the Life Center Shelter to serve our community! Our first experience was life changing and we wanted to extend the love beyond one experience. We welcome families to join us on the 4th Saturday of each month beginning December 21st and ending on April 26th!

If you are interested in your warrior and/or your family serving with us, please <u>CLICK HERE</u> to sign up!. From there, we will confirm your attendance on your specified day as space is limited.



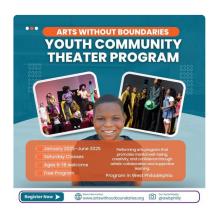
Boys T.R.A.C.K. Program

This dynamic program, sponsored by the City of Philadelphia's Office of Children and Families, is for students grades 7-12 only! The program focuses on Character Enhancement through cultural and educational enrichment activities! For more information and to sign up directly with the program, please see the flyer for all details!



Arts Without Boundaries Youth Community Theater Program

Is your warrior interested in theater or performing arts! Arts Without Boundaries is now accepting applications for their programming beginning in January! Please see the flyer for all pertinent details and sign your warrior up today!



As a reminder, ALL students are to be in FULL WINTER UNIFORM each day. Winter uniform includes, khaki pants, burgundy Boys' Latin embroidered sweater, blue oxford button down shirt, striped tie, black shoes, black socks, black belts and their student ID. Hoodies are not permitted during the school day for any reason. The only students who are permitted to wear Boys' Latin sweatsuits, at this time, are 6th grade students because they have gym for Marking Period 2. We will inform all parents when your warriors have gym.



School Identification (ID) cards are a part of your warrior's school uniform. To alleviate your son from earning a corrective, forfeiting

their opportunity of being invited to school activities/events, please ensure that your warrior has their I.D. each day! This accounts for their daily attendance as well. If students need a new I.D., they must report to **Ms. Waters** at the front desk.

Technology Reminders

As a reminder <u>ALL RETURNING STUDENTS</u> will be expected to use their laptops and chargers from last year! <u>ALL NEW STUDENTS</u> will receive a school issued laptop! Please be sure to pay your Warrior's \$25 laptop fee online to ensure they receive their laptops. If you



have not paid the \$25 Laptop fee and your warrior still needs a school issued laptop please <u>CLICK</u> <u>HERE!</u>

For any technology related questions or concerns students should see any member of the technology team during office hours, for all other technology related inquiries please email support@boyslatin.org!

Technology Office Hours

Tuesdays & Thursdays - During Lunch

Shuttle Bus Reminders

As a reminder, if your warrior will not be riding the shuttle bus on any given day, please email msleadership@boyslatin.org by 1pm daily so that we can inform our shuttle bus team!



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Important Information and Resources for Boys' Latin Middle School families can be found on our school website at <u>Boys' Latin for Families</u> under Important Information.

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