



Back to School '25-26 Parent Ledger

Important Dates

- 8/17 AJ Brown Foundation Back To School Supplies and Free Haircuts
- 8/18 9th and 12th Grade Orientation 8AM-10AM
- 8/19 10th and 11th Grade Orientation 8AM- 10AM
- 8/20 First Full Day of School for ALL Boys' Latin Students
- 9/4 Back to School Night 6PM-8PM

Welcome Back Message

Dear Warrior Parents and Guardians,

I hope this message finds you and your family well and rejuvenated after a restful and enjoyable summer. **Welcome BACK!!** It is with great enthusiasm that I greet both our returning families and those joining our school community for the first time. This year, our theme for students and staff is

“The Pursuit of Excellence.” This theme is rooted in a powerful idea shared by legendary coach Pat Riley:

"Excellence is the gradual result of always striving to do better."

At Boys’ Latin, we believe excellence isn’t defined by perfection or instant success, but by the commitment to growth, persistence, and continuous improvement—day by day, step by step. Whether in the classroom, through sports, through the arts, or through service to others, we will be encouraging our students to embrace this mindset.

As partners in your warrior’s education, your support and involvement play a critical role in this journey. We are committed to maintaining strong communication, meaningful collaboration, and a shared dedication to helping our students thrive academically, socially, and emotionally. Together, let’s model what it means to pursue excellence—not through perfection or comparison, but through passion, perseverance, and pride in progress.

Thank you for entrusting us with your child’s high school experience. Let’s make this a year of purpose, growth, and excellence!

First Week of School

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Monday August 18, 2025 Orientation Day	Tuesday August 19, 2025 Orientation Day	Wednesday, August 20,2025	Thursday August 21, 2025	Friday August 22, 2025
9th and 12th Grade Students ONLY 8:00AM-10:00AM Doors open at 7:30AM	10th and 11th Grade Students ONLY 8:00AM- 10:00AM Doors open at 7:30AM	All students Full Day of School Doors open at 7:30AM 3:20 Dismissal	All students Full Day of School Doors open at 7:30AM 3:20 Dismissal	All students Full Day of School Doors open at 7:30AM 3:20 Dismissal

Orientation Days

During orientation days students need to be in full spring uniform. Students will go through an academic Pursuit of Excellence Overview and Climate and Culture Expectations. Students will also receive their rosters, lockers and laptops*.

***Laptops will only be distributed to 9th grades students who paid Chromebook fee or returning students who have paid laptop replacement fees.**

Back to School Supplies

Once school starts teachers will share syllabi that will provide information on what materials students will need for specific classes. It would be a best practice to purchase items listed below

Items

1-2 Inch Binder or Trapper Keeper

10 - Dividers(if student has binder)

2- Composition Books

3- Subject Spiral Notebooks

2- Pencil Pouch

Water Bottle/Containers(For Water Station)

Throughout the School Year Purchase

Pens and Pencils

Highlighters

Loose Leaf, College Ruled Lined Paper

Uniform and School Expectations

Uniforms

All Students are required to be in the full Spring/Summer uniform on the 1st day of orientation.

Students should be wearing the Spring/Summer uniform. Boys' Latin maroon polo, khaki pants, black belt, and **black shoes(NO sneakers, NO boots)**

- **Students will be sent home if they do not have an appropriate uniform. See images below of both uniforms.**

We have a Spring/Summer uniform and a Fall/Winter uniform. **It is mandatory that all students began wearing the winter uniform on October 6th.** We highly recommend you begin ordering or purchasing winter uniforms NOW. You can purchase items from Flynn O'Hara or Cramer's.

Other Important Polices

Cell Phones

Students are not allowed to use cell phones during class or in the hallways. If students are using cell phones, they will be taken and returned to the student at the end of the day. **Students who**

refuse to turn over a cell phone will be suspended.

Bookbags and Back Packs

During the day students will be required to leave their book bags or backpacks in their lockers during the day. Students can visit lockers during transition to retrieve any important items for their classes or lunch.



AJ Brown Foundation Back to School Event and Free Back to School Haircuts

AJ Brown of the World Champion Philadelphia Eagles will be partnering with Boys' Latin through his **AJ Brown Foundation** to offer an exclusive opportunity for Boys' Latin Warriors to receive free bookbags, school supplies and FREE haircuts from Barbers Who Care on **Sunday, August 17th 1PM-4PM**. If you would like your warrior or a warrior's sibling that is school aged to receive a free haircut please complete the [Free Back to School Haircut Sign-up form](#) to ensure your warrior receives a haircut. There will be music provided by Philly's own DJ Diamond Kuts, Free Water Ice from Rita's Water Ice and so much more!



FRESH CUTS FOR SUCCESS & MISSION FOR HEART

STUDENT SERVICES:

- ▶ FREE HAIRCUTS COURTESY OF BARBERS WHO CARE & DRIPAR
- ▶ BACKPACK & SCHOOL SUPPLIES GIVEAWAY
- ▶ CONFIDENCE STATION WITH MUSIC, SNACKS, AND MENTORSHIP

TEACHER APPRECIATION:

- ▶ SCHOOL ESSENTIALS POP-UP
- ▶ GIFT BAGS, LOUNGE AREA, AND EDUCATOR GIVEAWAYS



BOYS' LATIN CHARTER SCHOOL, PHILADELPHIA, PA

HAIRCUTS FOR BOYS 1:00-4:00 PM. SUNDAY AUGUST 17TH 2025

TEACHERS ARRIVAL 2:00-4:00 PM.



SEPTA Update And Attendance Incentive

Sign-Up for Latin League

Boys' Latin's [Latin League](#) Varsity and JV teams just wrapped their first-ever national season with a win from both teams. This highly-competitive league competes monthly in trivia contests on Latin vocabulary, grammar, translation, and Roman history, culture, and mythology. Teams have been competing at lunch and after school against teams from all over the Northeast region, and ranked in the top two-thirds of their regional divisions. Any student interested in joining the Latin League next year and helping to bring our team up through the ranks nationally should contact Mrs. Casey at hcasey@boyslatin.org.



Tylenol and Medication Permission Form

If you would like the nurse to administer Tylenol and other over the counter medicine. Please print the form below, sign it and have your warrior return the form the school nurse.



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.

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 [Boys' Latin for 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/BoysLatin
www.Facebook.com/BoysLatinofPhilaEFN

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 - 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.

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 up-to-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

Attendance Matters

Principal Parker

