



Parent Ledger - September 1, 2025

Principal's Corner

Greetings Warrior Families,

I hope you are doing well and had a great holiday weekend! Last week, we completed MAP Testing and this week, we are gearing up for Back to School Night which will be an exciting time for you to connect with your warrior's teachers and community resources! Also, please remember that your warriors' Summer Reading Projects are due tomorrow to their English teachers!

Please remember doors will open for breakfast at 7:30am and students will be marked late after 8am!

Continue to have a great evening and as always, if you have any questions please feel free to reach out to us!

In partnership,

Principal Sanford



Important Dates & Reminders

September 1st: NO SCHOOL (*Labor Day*)

September 2nd: Summer Reading Projects Due

September 3rd: Back to School Night

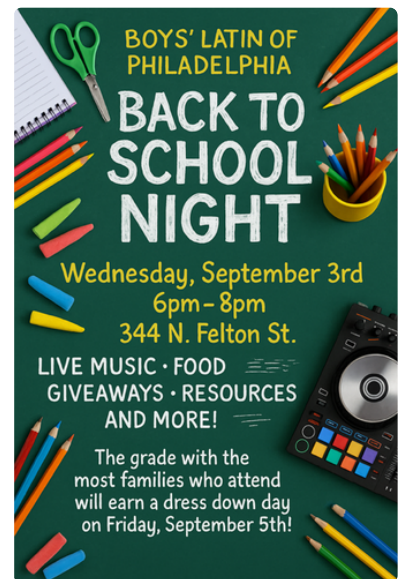


Back to School Night

We hope that you will join us for **Back to School Night** on **Wednesday, September 3rd from 6pm - 8pm!** We will have live music, food (*first come, first serve*), community resources, giveaways and much more! Please complete the form below to confirm your attendance! The grade with the most parents attend will earn a Dress Down Day on Friday, September 5th! Help your warriors win a Dress Down Day by attending!!

[CLICK HERE](#) to register for **Back to School Night** and confirm your attendance, if you haven't already!

There will also be a special Pre-Back to School Night "Mix-n-Mingle" with our Board from 5pm - 6pm in our Boys' Latin Courtyard! This is a time to engage with our board and ask questions! Light refreshments will be available.



IMPORTANT SEPTA UPDATE

New state funding has not yet been approved, so SEPTA is moving forward with new fall schedules that implement 20% service cuts on 8/24/2025 and 8/25/2025, including the elimination of 32 bus routes and significant reductions in trips on all metro rail services. SEPTA riders are now able to use SEPTA.org and the SEPTA app to view the service cuts schedules in the trip planner and on schedule pages. To view the schedules, enter a date after the cuts go into effect and ensure that you have downloaded the latest version of the SEPTA app (3.2.6). For more information, please visit <https://www.septa.org/fundingcrisis/service-cuts/> or review the attached *August 2025 SEPTA Service Cuts Rider Guide*. These service cuts do not impact your student's eligibility to receive a SEPTA Student Fare Card, however they will likely impact your student's commute to/from school.



Please make a plan with your student so that they continue to attend school on a daily basis and arrive on time. *The school will not excuse late arrivals or absences due to the SEPTA service cuts.*

Attendance Updates

Submitting Notes For Absences - This year, there is a new way to excuse your child's absences. The link to the new form can be found below. Please review the following information:



- When your child is absent, an absent note is required to report the absence.
- You are able to excuse the absence for up to 2 consecutive days with the parent note.
- If your child is absent for a 3rd consecutive day, a note from a medical professional is required.
- Vacations are not considered an excused absence.
- The number of parent excuse notes allowed for the year has been reduced from 10 to 9. Only 9 parent notes are accepted during the entire school year.
- The form to report your student's absence can be found [here](#)

Early Dismissals - We understand that early dismissals are necessary at times. Here are some things to keep in mind when seeking an early dismissal:

- Some parts of our day are busier than others, for this reason, we ask that all early dismissals happen before 2pm.
- We cannot accept requests over the telephone for students to leave class early for a pick up unless it is an emergency. This also applies to allow middle school students to travel on their own. Due to safety precautions students must be picked up.
- Students are not allowed to dismiss themselves, even if they are 18 years old. They also will not be released to anyone under 18 years of age or other family members and family friends without parental authorization.
- Students are also not permitted to leave class to request a dismissal from staff.
- Students can only be released to authorized guardians and selected adults that are designated by them. If you have someone other than yourself to you desire to pick up a student and they are not listed as an emergency contact please send email to mwaters@boyslatin.org to identify who is picking up the student and what time they will arrive. ID is required when picking up students
- Parents / authorized adults must come into the building with ID to sign the Early Dismissal Book.

Below is information regarding our Summer Reading Project which ALL 6th - 8th students are expected to complete! It is an exciting opportunity to keep your warriors engaged as they prepare for the next grade and to assist with increasing literacy amongst our students!

[CLICK HERE](#) to see the list of novels for each grade

[CLICK HERE](#) to see the Project

ALL Summer Reading projects are due on Tuesday, September 2, 2025!



Welcome Back from the School Lunch Team!

Did you know your child's school lunch includes a variety of fruits, vegetables, and whole grain-rich foods? Maschio's school lunches have less saturated fat and sodium than other lunches and contain zero trans fat. Our meal portions are designed for your child's age and we offer a wide variety of healthy options like fat-free and low-fat milk. We take great pride in being able to offer your children healthier food choices so that they can fuel their bodies to get them through the school day *and beyond!*

BREAKFAST BEGINS: 8/20/25
LUNCH BEGINS: 8/20/25

Free Breakfast and Lunch Available Daily

All lunches include grains/breads, meat/meat alternative, fruit/juice/vegetable, and refreshing milk. Students must choose at least 3 items. Make sure 1 is a fruit, 100% fruit juice, or vegetable!

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, CONCERNS OR SUGGESTIONS, PLEASE CONTACT:
Nora Borza, Region Lead nborza@nborza@maschiofood.com

You can learn more about Maschio's by visiting www.maschiofood.com. If you would like to contact our corporate office please call (973) 598-0005 or email us at comments@maschiofood.com

We look forward to a great year!

Maschio's Food Services, Inc.

Uniform Reminders

As a reminder, **ALL STUDENTS** are expected to be in full Spring Uniform beginning on the first day of school, which is Wednesday, August 20th! Full spring uniform includes: Burgundy Polo Shirt with Boys' Latin Logo (*polo shirts must be tucked in at all times*), Khaki Pants, Black dress shoes (*no sneakers*), Black Belt and Black socks. Please be aware that **students are not allowed to come to school out of uniform** and change into their uniform in school. Additionally, **students are not allowed to change their clothes prior to exiting the school** for dismissal. Students must arrive in full uniform and exit in fully uniform. ***Please also be reminded that students ARE NOT permitted to wear Crocs to school.***



Lastly, all students will receive a Boys' Latin lanyard and ID holder that will be a mandatory part of their uniform and must be worn each day.

Regarding gym, you will be notified when your warrior's grade will have gym. Students are only allowed to wear gym uniforms during the marking period when they have gym.

Please [CLICK HERE](#) for detailed uniform reminders. Please [CLICK HERE](#) for Boys' Latins official uniform policy located in the Student and Family Handbook!

2025-2026 Enrollment!

We're still enrolling rising 6th, 7th, 8th, and 9th grade students for the 2025-26 school year! Please let your family members, friends, neighbors, colleagues, and others in your networks know that they can apply at www.boyslatin.org/enroll. Please also help us spread the word by following Boys' Latin on **Instagram** (@boyslatinoofphiladelphia), **Facebook** (@boyslatin), and/or **TikTok** (@boyslatinoofphiladelphia).



Extended Family Network

We have several exciting Extended Family Network events coming that aim to keep our families connected! We are excited to kick off the school year with several exciting events! Please register below:

[CLICK HERE](#) to register for a FREE **"Back to School Drive"** - September 6th

[CLICK HERE](#) to register for the **"Out of the Darkness Suicide Prevent Walk"** - October 5th



Leadership Team Communication

We are always aiming to improve our level of communication and one of the ways to do this is to streamline communication so that all of your questions reach the right member of our team! Please see below on best contacts for all of your questions regarding your warriors:

Academics, Grading Questions/Concerns, Meetings with Teachers & School Testing: AP James - ajames@boyslatin.org

Behavior, School Culture, Kickboard & Incentive Trips: Mr. Leach - bleach@boyslatin.org

Specialized Services Support (IEPs, 504 Plans, Related Services): Ms. Galanti - agalanti@boyslatin.org

Social Work, Community Services, McKinney Vento, SEL: Ms. Nicolas - rnicolas@boyslatin.org

Attendance, Parent Notes, Student ID's, School Records: Ms. Waters - mwaters@boyslatin.org



Please be sure to communicate directly with any of the Leadership Team members listed above for the specific areas where you have questions.

Technology Reminders

All **NEW** families, please be reminded that there is a **\$25 Chromebook Fee** that must be paid in order for your warrior to receive a laptop for the upcoming school year! If you have not paid the laptop fee, please [CLICK HERE!](#) New students will receive Chromebooks on Materials Distribution Day! Please see above for details!



All **RETURNING** families, for any technology related questions or concerns regarding lost or broken laptops please email support@boyslatin.org!

Update Your Information

Need to update your address, email, phone number or emergency contacts? We have created special link to update all information directly on our website! Please be sure to use this form whenever information needs to be updated!

CLICK HERE to Update Your Information!

Stay Connected With Us!

Important Information and Resources for Boys' Latin Middle School families can be found on our school website at [Boys' Latin for Families](#) under Important Information.

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IG Handle: @BoysLatinofPhiladelphia

Twitter Handle: @BoyslatinCs

Facebook: www.Facebook.com/BoysLatin
www.Facebook.com/BoysLatinofPhilaEFN

School Phone: 215-387-5149 Ext 1

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