



BOYS' LATIN
OF PHILADELPHIA



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Important Dates

- 9/22 NO School for Students
- 9/22 Virtual Progress Report Conferences 3PM-6PM
- 10/6 1st Day of Winter Uniforms
- 10/14 Leadership Academy Begins(Tuesdays and Thursdays dismiss at 4PM)

Principal's Message

Greetings Warrior Parents and Guardians,

There is NO SCHOOL for students tomorrow.



Virtual Progress Reports Conferences will take tomorrow, Monday, September 22nd. For all of our new parents we do not do report card conferences, but we focus on progress reports and meeting with parents at the halfway point of the report period to help students finish the report period

strong. All meeting sign-up email will be shared for families to sign up to meet with teachers during conferences.

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 Signing-up

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 / google meet link in the "Location:" area. Please copy these zoom links down to gain access to conferences

Weekly Highlights

College Tour of Princeton University

Our CCP Middle College and Dual Enrollment students had the chance to visit Princeton University on Friday.



Boys' Latin at The Philadelphia High School Fair



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Daily Attendance Failure Policy

If a student is absent unexcused from a **course for more than 14 percent** of school days during a quarter, then the student will fail the course for the quarter. There are currently 45 instructional days for RP1 which means your warrior can not have more than 5 unexcused absences or they will fail for the quarter. Please keep the following in mind when it comes to unexcused absences:



- When your child is absent, an absent note is required to excuse the absence.
- You are able to excuse the absence for up to 2 consecutive days with the parent excuse 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.**
- **Only 9 parent excuse notes are accepted during the entire school year.**
- The form to excuse your student's absence can be found [here](#).



Did You KNOW?

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If a student has five or more unexcused absences in a class each quarter, they may be at risk of failing that class.

Your support makes the difference! By ensuring your child attends class every day, you help them stay on track for success. Together, we can keep them moving toward their goals and a strong future.

Winter Uniforms begins 10/6

Parents please begin to purchase winter uniform items. The winter uniform consist of :

- Boys' Latin Blazer
- Blue Oxford Shirt
- Blue and Burgundy Striped Tie
- Khaki Pants
- Black Belt
- Black Shoes



If warriors are not in full winter uniform on October 6th students will be sent home. Please make sure you begin to purchase or order items now so your warrior will have all their items on Monday 10/06.

Portrait of A Graduate

Portrait of a Graduate Survey:

The Portrait of a Graduate is our vision for student success, outlining the knowledge, skills, and attributes students develop while at Boys' Latin so that they can achieve success in college and

[share how well you know and understand the Boys' Latin Portrait of a Graduate.](#)

Board Meet and Greet:

Thank you for participating in our meet and greet with the board before Back-to-School Night! [Please click here to visit the Board of Trustees page on our website, where you can learn more about our board, including the individual trustees who serve on our board and the board meeting schedule.](#) All board meetings are open to the public and families are encouraged to attend! The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 1 at 4:00pm in our Middle School Dining Hall. We hope to see you there!

Comprehensive Campus Planning Committee

We are looking for a few parents and family members to serve on our Comprehensive Campus Planning Committee! The committee, comprised of teachers, leaders, students, parents, and trustees, will oversee stakeholder engagement and data-gathering, and draft a comprehensive campus plan. The committee will be formed in September, and meet between October and December. The plan will be presented to the senior leadership team in January and submitted to the board for approval in February. [If you're interested in serving on this committee, please click here to complete the interest form by September 17!](#) For more information, please contact Colleen Smith at csmith@boyslatin.org.

Important Message Regarding Student Safety and Conduct

It has come to our attention that some students have been gathering at **56th & Market Streets** and at **52nd & Market Streets** to engage in fighting or other behavior that misrepresents our school community. We want to be clear: **this conduct is unacceptable and will not be tolerated.**

We ask that you speak directly with your student about the importance of traveling **straight home after school** and **not meeting up in these areas**. Please remind them that whenever they are in the community, they are a reflection of our school and are expected to uphold our values at all times.

Although these gatherings occur off school property, **any student involved will face school consequences.** We have also notified our local police officers to help ensure the safety of all students.

Thank you for your partnership in reinforcing positive choices and keeping our community safe.

100 Black Men and Boys' Latin of Philadelphia Saturday Leadership Academy

We are excited to partner with 100 Black Men, Philadelphia Chapter. Through this partnership our Middle School and High School warriors will be exposed to positive male role models outside of our school building. Through this Saturday Leadership Academy our warriors will:

1. Develop social-emotional skills
2. Develop a Positive Racial Identity and Self-Esteem
3. Will explore Life Skill and Personal Development
4. Will explore various career options

The program will start on the **2nd Saturday of October** and will be held every 2nd Saturday of the Month. Please scan the QR code or visit the 100 Black Men Table during Back to School Night.

Suicide Prevention Walk

On **Sunday, Oct 5th at 8AM**. Warrior Nation will be participating in the Out of Darkness Suicide Prevention Walk. All are Welcomed to Join. Individuals can also volunteer to work our table if they don't aspire to walk. Water, Breakfast bars and awareness wristbands will be provided.

1. Google Form for those interested, please [SIGN UP HERE](#)
2. Please join 'Team Warriors' [HERE](#)
3. Students will be given Community Service hours and 50 Kickboard Points for their involvement.

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 hallway. 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 specific periods to retrieve any important items for their classes or lunch.



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 to the school nurse.



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Permission to administer Tylenol and other over the counter medicine.

[Download](#)

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General Need to Know and Technology Resources

Who to Contact

Attendance and Transportation Questions

Administrative Assistant Ms. Sheppard
Csheppard@boyslatin.org

Academic Questions:

History and ELA- Mr. Goodwin lgoodwin@boyslatin.org
Math, Science, and Latin - Mr. Padilla tpadilla@boyslatin.org
Electives and Scheduling- Mr. Parker rparker@boyslatin.org

Specialized Services Questions:

Ms. Shaki- Ishaki@boyslatin.org

Climate and Culture Questions

Mr. Swiggett- Jswiggett@boyslatin.org

Laptop/Technology Issues

IT Support - support@boyslatin.org

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

- Students are not allowed to dismiss themselves, even if they are 18 years old.
- Students are also not permitted to leave class to request a dismissal from me.
- To request an early dismissal for your student, please complete [this new form](#) we will be using this school year.

Excusing an Absence- 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 excuse the absence.
- You are able to excuse the absence for up to 2 consecutive days with the parent excuse 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 excuse notes are accepted during the entire school year.
- The form to excuse your student's absence can be found [here](#).

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](#).

- If you live outside of Philadelphia, the school district where you reside is responsible for providing transportation for your student. Please visit that school district in-person and apply to their school for "transportation only". Your child is still a student at Boys' Latin, but we do not provide their transportation (this includes lost, stolen or damaged Septa passes).
- If your child was a student at Boys' Latin High School last year and was issued a Septa Student Fare Card, your child will continue to use that same card this year as long as your address qualifies for transportation. It will be activated by the School District of Philadelphia at the beginning of the school year. If that card is lost, stolen or damaged, please email me and I will issue your student a new card.
- If your child has never received a fare card from Boys' Latin or was a student at Boys' Latin Middle School, your child will be issued a new card as long as your address qualifies for transportation.

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, etc..

- If you need to update any information, please use the following [link](#).

Counselor's Corner

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](#)



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.

Clever

Are school uses the platform [Clever](#) to access all of our online platforms which include: PowerSchool, Schoology, IXL, and Kickboard/PowerSchoolBehavior. We HIGHLY recommend that you download the clever app so you can access this information at the click of a button. You can use your warriors login information to login to the platform.



Technology Resources

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

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

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