



# NEW 9TH GRADE FAMILIES MEET & GREET

WELCOME TO WASHINGTON LATIN!

Tuesday, June 23, 2020, 6pm  
The 9th Grade Team



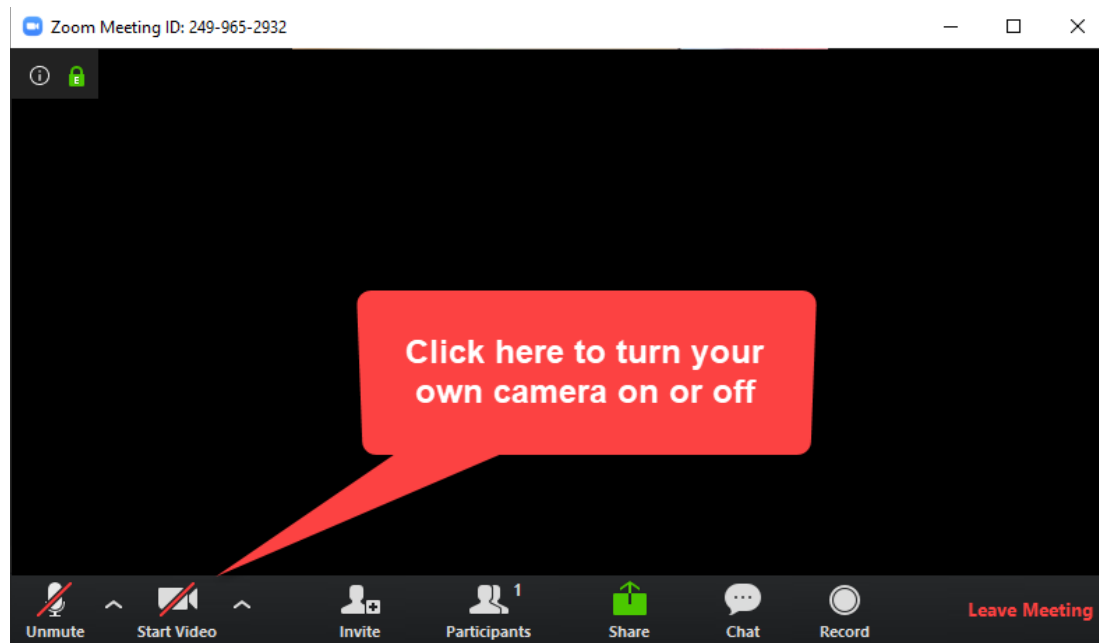
# GOOD EVENING!

## WELCOME!

Thank you for being here.

We would love to see your faces! Start your video.

Please keep yourself muted until you are ready to share.

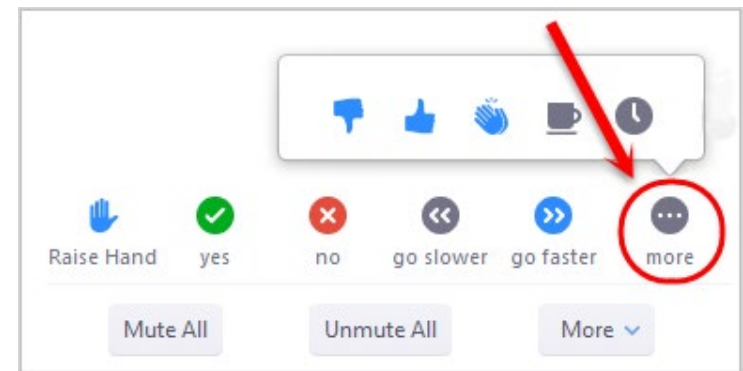
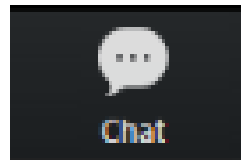




# HOW TO ASK A QUESTION

We have done our best to prepare a comprehensive presentation to address anticipated questions.

Please do not hesitate to ask questions in the chat, raise your hand or react!



Let's practice!

There will be time for questions at the end of the presentation as well.



# SPANISH TRANSLATION?

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Para los que necesiten interpretación, por favor manden un email a la Senora Brady tan pronto posible:

[kbrady@latinpcs.org](mailto:kbrady@latinpcs.org)

Señor Julián Salazar está disponible para ayudarles ahora mismo y también en el futuro si tienen preguntas:

[jsalazar@latinpcs.org](mailto:jsalazar@latinpcs.org).

Manden sus preguntas usando el "Chat".

*If you would like Spanish translation services for this meeting, please email Ms. Kara Brady right now: [kbrady@latinpcs.org](mailto:kbrady@latinpcs.org)*

*Mr. Julian Salazar will join you to translate the presentation.*

[jsalazar@latinpcs.org](mailto:jsalazar@latinpcs.org)



# STUDENTS, LET'S HEAR FROM YOU!

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If you would like to share:

1. Your name!
2. How did you hear about Latin?
3. If you could give you *one adjective to describe yourself*, what would it be?
4. If you could name *one feeling about coming to Latin*, what would it be?



# YOUR GOALS FOR TONIGHT

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What are you **goals** for tonight?

What would you like to come away **knowing or feeling**?





# OUR GOALS FOR TONIGHT

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- For you to begin to *get to know the 9th Grade Team*
- For the 9th Grade Team to begin to *get to know you and your family*
- For you to get an initial feel for the **Latin culture**
- For you to get some of **your questions answered**



# THE BIG QUESTION...

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## FALL 2020?

Our reopening team is **working on our plan for 2020-2021**. We do not have details yet, but more will come as soon as plans have been put into place.

We had a **robust distance learning program in the Spring**. We are proud of what our students were able to learn in this time. Check out our communication and our plan on our website!  
<https://latinpcs.org/>

In August, you will receive an updated **Family Handbook 20-21**.

For now, you can **check out last year's handbook** on the Parents' and Students' pages of the web site.





# TONIGHT'S AGENDA

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1. Introductions!
2. Registration
3. Graduation Requirements & Sample Schedule
4. Important Latin Information
5. Communication
6. Summer Commitments
7. Surveys & Student Portfolio
8. Summer Bridge Week & Community Service Day
9. Next Steps
10. Questions???



# WELCOME MESSAGE

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## AZARIA!

This is **Azaria**, one of our incredible rising 10th graders.

She has been at Latin since 5th grade and has risen to be a **phenomenal leader** in the school.

We thought she would be a **great voice** to officially open our meeting tonight.





# INTRODUCTIONS

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## PEOPLE YOU WANT TO KNOW!

Peter Anderson - **Head of School** - [panderson@latinpcs.org](mailto:panderson@latinpcs.org)

Diana Smith - **Principal** - [dsmith@latinpcs.org](mailto:dsmith@latinpcs.org)

Kara Brady - **Director of the Upper School** - [kbrady@latinpcs.org](mailto:kbrady@latinpcs.org)

Crystal Eleby-El - **Director of Student Recruitment** -  
[celebyel@latinpcs.org](mailto:celebyel@latinpcs.org)

Kate Cromwell - **Director of Development & Communications** -  
[kcromwell@latinpcs.org](mailto:kcromwell@latinpcs.org)

Carenda Tillery-Nunn - **Registrar** - [cnunn@latinpcs.org](mailto:cnunn@latinpcs.org)

Carl Lyon - **Director of Information Technology** - [clyon@latinpcs.org](mailto:clyon@latinpcs.org)



# INTRODUCTIONS

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## STUDENT SUPPORT TEAM

Aryn Davis - **Director of Student Support Services** -  
ardavis@latinpcs.org

Sandra Whitfield - **Assistant Director of Student Support Services** -  
swhitfield.latinpcs.org

Kerry Richardson - **ELL Support Specialist & Alumni Coordinator** -  
krichardson@latinpcs.org

Jack Werstein - **Counselor** - jwerstein@latinpcs.org

Tom O'Brien - **9th & 10th Grade Case Manager & Math Teacher** -  
tobrien@latinpcs.org



# INTRODUCTIONS

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## THE 9TH GRADE TEAM

Meg Kovach - **9th Grade Team Lead & Math Teacher** -  
mkovach@latinpcs.org

Elaina Barroso - **Summer Bridge Coordinator & World History  
Teacher** - ebarroso@latinpcs.org

Sereena Hamm - **Librarian & Teacher/Summer Bridge** -  
shamm@latinpcs.org

Treshia Pettiford - **Upper School Dean** - tpettiford@latinpcs.org

Julian Salazar - **Math Teacher** - jsalazar@latinpcs.org

There are many more who cannot wait to meet you!



# ENROLLMENT

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## IS YOUR REGISTRATION COMPLETE?

If so, thank you!!! You are all set.

If not, it is not too late!

Please get in touch with **Ms. Crystal Eleby-El** as soon as possible to complete any necessary forms or paperwork.

If you are unsure, also contact Ms. Eleby-El.

Crystal Eleby-El - **Director of Student Recruitment** -

[celebyel@latinpcs.org](mailto:celebyel@latinpcs.org)



# SAMPLE 9<sup>TH</sup> GRADE SCHEDULE

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English 9 - 1 credit	
Math Course - 1 credit	<i>Algebra 1 or Geometry Based upon previous credits</i>
World History I - 1 credit	
Physics - 1 credit	
Latin Course - 1 credit	<i>Latin I typically for a new student</i>
Modern Language* - 1 credit	<i>Mandarin Chinese, Arabic or French</i>
Study Hall	



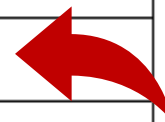
# GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

SUBJECT	REQ	DESCRIPTION
English	4.0	Must include an English course in <i>each</i> of the four years
Mathematics	4.0	Must include Algebra I, Geometry, and Algebra II
History	4.0	Must include World History I (1.0), World History II (1.0), U.S History (1.0), US Government (0.5), and DC History (0.5)
Science	4.0	Must include Conceptual Physics, Chemistry, and Biology, with preference for the order described above
Latin	3.0	Through the third level of Latin; must include Latin I, II, and III. WLPCS Latin requirement satisfies the (2.0) Carnegie Units in World Languages required for DCPS
French, Chinese, or Arabic	2.0	Through the second level of a second language; must include French I, II, Chinese I, II or Arabic I, II (a language waiver is possible under certain circumstances)
Visual Art	0.5	Must include a semester of visual arts
Music	0.5	Must include a semester of music
Physical Education/ Athletics	1.0	Must complete <b>four</b> trimesters/seasons of physical activity over four years
Health	0.5	Must include a semester of instruction in health
Academic Electives	3.5	e.g., Diseases, Astronomy, Robotics, Media & Citizenship
Community Service	100 hrs	Must complete 100 hours of community service
Financial Literacy	0.25	Must complete one semester

## SUMMARY

27.25 HS Credits required. Must include:

- 3 Credits Latin
- 2 Credits Modern Language
- 1 Phys Ed Credit = 4 trimesters
- 100 hours Community Service
- See **Curriculum Guide** on online







# ADVISORY

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## WHAT IS ADVISORY? WHO IS YOUR ADVISOR?

- Small community within Latin! (8-15 9th grade students)
- Meet every morning, check in, get ready for the day together
- Every Friday you will have Advisory Lunch
- Your Advisor will:
  - Serve as a liaison between home and school
  - Perhaps be one of your teachers
  - Help guide you throughout the year
  - Become a “go-to” person for you and your family
  - Counsel you on course choice and trajectory
- Advisors are announced in August



# TUTORIAL

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## WHAT IS TUTORIAL?

- EVERY Monday through Thursday, and Fridays by appointment
- 3:15pm to 3:45pm (usually later!)
- Don't worry! Sports cannot begin until 4pm to allow time for tutorial.
- ALL teachers are available between these times - you can pop in for a few minutes or spend the whole time with one teacher.
- Teachers most often make themselves available upon request.

We are always here to help!



# CLUBS & SPORTS

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## CLUBS!

Meet **during lunch** so you can also participate in sports or other obligations.

We have a **CLUB FAIR** in the fall so you can explore your options! Our goal is that you try at least 2 out next year.

Contact:

Ms. Emily Raskin -  
eraskin@latinpcs.org

## SPORTS!

Fall, Winter and Spring!

Check out all the teams and announcements about fall sports.

[Latin Athletics web site](#)

Contact:

Mr. Bob Eleby-El -  
belebyel@latinpcs.org



# TECHNOLOGY

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## WHAT TECHNOLOGY DO WE USE?

- Grades, Attendance and Assignments
  - PowerSchool and Unified Classroom
- Communication
  - Emails (students get a Latin email)
- Classroom Assignments
  - Google Docs, Google Forms
- **Check email and PowerSchool everyday!** (You will gain access before the beginning of the year.)

Mr. Carl Lyon - **Director of Information Technology**  
clyon@latinpcs.org



# COMMUNICATION!

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## Legenda

- Sent on Fridays to all parents/guardians
- Letter from the Head of School plus important information, reminders, and calendar of upcoming events
- You should be receiving *Legenda*; please let us know if not!

## De Facto

- Sent to all parents on Sunday 5pm as email and text
- Texts can begin when student information is in PowerSchool
- Calendar for week, month ahead

Ms. Kate Cromwell **Director of Development & Communications**  
kcromwell@latinpcs.org



# SUMMER

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## TIMELINE & COMMITMENTS

- Washington Latin Summer School - June 22 to July 24
- Student Portfolio - due by July 15
- Summer Bridge Zoom Series - Week of August 10 to 13, exact times TBD
- Porch Visits in August?
- Community Service Day - Friday, August 14, 10am to 1pm



# WHAT IS A PORCH VISIT?

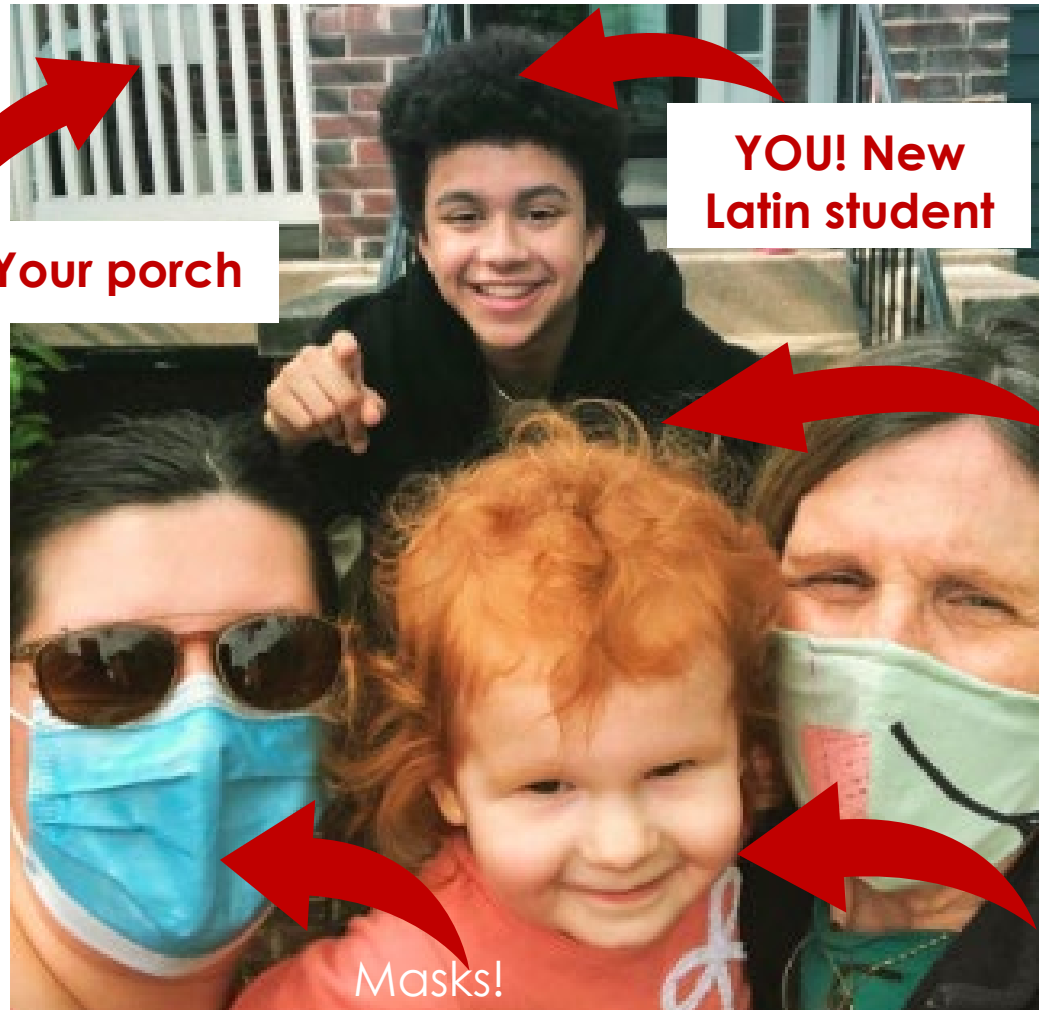


We would love to visit you in August!

Safe 6' distance!

Washington Latin Teachers

*Cute babies possible but not guaranteed*



**YOU! New Latin student**

**Your porch**

**Masks!**



# SUMMER READING

## 9TH GRADE ENGLISH AND HONORS ENGLISH

**Core Texts** — Read **ALL** Core texts for the class you are entering as indicated below.

### Required English 9 Core Text

*Binti* by Nnedi Okorafor

### Required Honors English 9 Core Texts

*Binti*, *Binti: Home*, and *Binti: The Night Masquerade* by Nnedi Okorafor  
*Lord of the Flies* by William Golding



*Binti* will be delivered to you all next week!

Once we receive transcripts, you will be notified if you will need to pick up *Lord of the Flies* from Latin.

Summer Reading Link





# SUMMER MATH PACKETS

## Why summer math packets?

- We want to **prevent** “summer slide” where students lose some math knowledge and then are behind next year.
- The packets help you **review and reinforce concepts** you already know and to prepare you for next year’s math class.
- The packets are **due on the first day** of school and will be **graded**.
- In addition to the required packets, we encourage students to **use online resources, such as Khan Academy**, to review prior knowledge and/or learn new math skills.

If your last math class was...	You should complete this pack
Pre-algebra or 8 <sup>th</sup> grade math	Algebra 1 pack
Algebra 1	Geometry pack

[Summer Math Packs Link](#)



# STUDENT WELCOME SURVEY

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We have a brief survey for our new 9<sup>th</sup> grade students.

- The goal is to get to know you as best we can.
- We value your honesty in answering the survey!
- Please **submit this by July 15**.
- We will check on your progress.
- Reach out with ANY questions or concerns to Ms. Kovach or Ms. Brady!

[Student Survey Link](#)



# STUDENT PORTFOLIO

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The survey also requests that you share samples of your work.

**Writing Sample:** Please upload a sample of your writing from 8th grade that is at least one paragraph long. An essay that is 3-5 paragraphs long is better if you have a longer piece of writing to submit. \*

This writing sample will help us get to know your academic writing better and may help in determining your English course placement.

 [Add file](#)

**Writing Sample Follow-up:** Why did you choose this piece of writing for your sample? What do you think makes it a good piece of writing? \*

Your answer

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# PARENT/GUARDIAN SURVEY

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We also have a survey for new 9<sup>th</sup> grade parents/guardians.

- The 9th Grade Team will use to get to know you and your family as best we can in these difficult times.
- Please expand on your answers as appropriate.
- If you wish to share any information confidentially, please contact either Ms. Brady or Ms. Kovach directly.
- Please **submit this by July 15.**

[Parent/Guardian Survey Link](#)



# SUMMER BRIDGE ZOOM SERIES

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## **Who?**

All New 9th Grade Students! Each will include student panels of current Latin students.

## **When?**

60-90 minutes each day, week of Aug 10-13, exact days TBD

## **Where?**

At home! Via Zoom!

## **Why?**

To understand the Latin culture, meet some current Latin leaders, make connections with your peers!



# SUMMER BRIDGE ZOOM SERIES

Topic & Focus	Details
Course Registration Graduation Requirements Language Opportunities Athletics Offerings	Student panel Make your language decision Sign up for your classes
The Culture of Washington Latin	Student panel Ask your questions!
What is a Socratic Seminar?	Student-led seminar Discuss <i>Binti</i>
Technology* <i>May be postponed due to COVID restrictions</i>	Learn to use PowerSchool, email, Google Docs



# COMMUNITY SERVICE DAYS

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- Engage in a service project at Washington Latin!
  - **Friday, August 14, 10am-1pm**
  - Beautify our campus & community!
- Meet the 9th Grade Team of teachers & advisors in person!
- **All necessary safety precautions will be taken.**
  - Masks are required! Extra safety gear will be available.
  - We will break into small groups for the project.
- Bring a bagged lunch for a safe picnic together!  
\*\*\*Graduation Requirement = 100 Service Hours!\*\*\*



# NEXT SEPS

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1. Complete enrollment! If you are not 100% certain, check!
2. Expect a delivery with summer reading and some important information next week!
3. Complete the Welcome Surveys!
4. Explore our website!
5. Complete the Summer Reading & Summer Math Packet!
6. Reach out! Reach out! Reach out!





# THANK YOU FOR COMING!!

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We are so **grateful** for this chance to meet you.

We are so **excited** to start this journey together.

Do not hesitate to **reach out** if you need anything!

Have a **wonderful summer!**

**See you in August!**



# QUESTIONS?

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