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Principal's Message



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FINAL EXAMS

Glenbard District 87 Final Exam Schedule

Final exams will be administered during the week of May 18th for freshmen, sophomores, and juniors. During the week of final exams, students should continue entering their attendance during their second-period class.

Taking final exams during e-learning will (1) serve as a culminating closing experience for the course, (2) provide an opportunity for students to demonstrate understanding in the course material and improve their grade, and (3) potentially inform curriculum adjustments in the 2020-21 school year.

Taking a final exam cannot negatively impact a student’s grade, only improve it.

Teachers will choose either to administer a final exam during a set period of time (see schedule below) or ask students to complete a project or assessment that occurs during finals week and submitted on the day their final is scheduled.

If a student cannot complete the final exam during the scheduled time due to a scheduling conflict with an AP Exam or illness, he or she should make arrangements with the teacher to complete the final exam on Friday, May 22.

Final Exam Assessment Schedule

Monday, May 18	Tuesday, May 19	Wednesday, May 20	Thursday, May 21	Friday, May 22
9:00 - 10:00 Period 1 Final	9:00 - 10:00 Period 3 Final	9:00 - 10:00 Period 5 Final	9:00 - 10:00 Period 7 Final	Rescheduled Make-Up Exam 9:00 - 10:00
11:00 - 12:00 Period 2 Final	11:00 - 12:00 Period 4 Final	11:00 - 12:00 Period 6 Final	11:00 - 12:00 Period 8 Final	Rescheduled Make-Up Exam 11:00 - 12:00

Seniors’ last day of attendance will be Thursday, May 14th. Seniors are exempt from final exams.

Please note that May 8th and 15th are non-attendance days for all Glenbard District 87 schools.

Instructional Information

Advanced Placement Exam Updates

As a result of the school closures due to Covid-19, the College Board has developed secure, online free-response exams for each course. Please take the time to read the [College Board AP updates](#) for the most up-to-date information regarding AP testing. Course-specific exam information including exam dates, times and a description of what you’ll be asked to do on your exam can be found using this [link](#).

Key points on updates:

- 1. Exams will be given from May 11 through May 22. Take a look at the updated schedule [here](#).
- 2. For most subjects, the exams will be 45 minutes long, and include an additional 5 minutes for uploading. Students will need to access the online testing system 30 minutes early to get set up.

3. Like many college-level exams, this year's AP Exams will be open book/open note. [Get tips for taking open book/open note exams.](#)
4. Click on this [link](#) to learn about exam security.

Important tasks for students to complete immediately:

1. Log into AP Central to make sure the email address you provided is correctly entered. You will receive a link to the exam on exam day through this account and a video demonstrating how to access the exam in late April. It is **CRITICAL** that you are able to access your College Board account. You can find instructions on how to do this below. If you are having trouble logging in, follow the [steps provided by the College Board](#) to troubleshoot.
2. For seniors, if you have committed to a school, list the school you want the College Board to send your scores to. (Found in your AP Profile)

How to verify your email address on the College Board website.

- 1) Log into [your AP Student account](#)
- 2) Click on the yellow circle with your name on it in the upper right hand corner
- 3) Click on "Account Settings" (it will ask you to enter your password again)
- 4) Enter your password and click the yellow "verify" button
- 5) Scroll down and enter your email address (in both spots)
- 6) Scroll to the bottom and click update.

Please know that ALL communication for your AP exams on test day will come to you directly from the College Board, and no one at Glenbard South has the ability to grant you access to your account on that day. Make sure you have access in advance so that you do not get locked out of your exam and miss it on test day.

College Board Suite of Assessments: SAT Update

College Board has announced they will NOT be able to administer the SAT® and SAT Subject Tests™ as planned on June 6, 2020.

They are working hard to make the SAT available in school and out of school as soon as the public health situation allows. Students will have opportunities to take the SAT to make up for this spring's lost administrations.

If it's safe from a public health standpoint, College Board will provide weekend SAT administrations every month through the end of the calendar year, beginning in August. This includes a new administration in September and the

previously scheduled tests on August 29, October 3, November 7, and December 5.

Students will be able to register for these administrations beginning in May. College Board will communicate directly with students when the exact date is available. Eligible students will be able to take the exam with a fee waiver. Students who were registered for June and those in the high school class of 2021 who don't have SAT scores will have early access to registration for the August, September, and October administrations.

For each administration, College Board is preparing to significantly expand capacity for students to take the SAT when schools reopen. We're calling on our member schools and colleges, as well as local communities, to open their doors and provide additional test center capacity so every student who wants to can take the SAT.

In the unlikely event that schools don't reopen this fall, the College Board will provide a digital SAT for home use, much as we're delivering digital exams for three million Advanced Placement® students this spring. As they are doing with at-home AP® Exams, we would ensure that at-home SAT testing is simple; secure and fair; accessible to all; and valid for use in college admissions.

College Board is committed to giving students as many chances as they can to show their strengths to admissions officers. As we navigate this evolving situation, we'll continue to rely on your partnership to ensure students have what they need as they apply to college during the 2020-21 school year.

College Board regularly updates their [webpage](#) with information. Thank you for your partnership during this unprecedented time.

Recent Property Damage at South

Over the past few years, Glenbard South has made a significant investment in landscaping and in planting trees to beautify the property. Recently, a number of our newly planted trees were pruned illegally and damaged. Eight of ten trees along Park Blvd, and all but one of the fifteen trees along Abruzzo Lane were damaged. The excessive and incorrect pruning will cause problems for the trees in the future. We request that if anyone has information about the damage to the trees to please contact Mr. Nielsen at taff_nielsen@glenbard.org. Please remember...If you see something, say something!

Annual Controlled Burn

Glenbard South High School conducted our annual controlled burn of our grasslands on the East and South side of the school on Thursday, April 16, 2020.

We obtained an "open burning permit" and followed all protocols and safety procedures. We also partnered with a local arborist. We appreciate the continued partnership with local authorities and the Lisle/Woodridge Fire Department.



Essential Raiders

We are so lucky to have great staff and essential workers from our security team and our maintenance team. We thank them for keeping the building safe and clean in preparation for our future return. A special thank you goes to a retired teacher, Teresa Maras, for sewing the much needed masks for our staff.



Specialists Support

GBS Specialists Support Parents During E-Learning

Dr. Jones, School Psychologist (caicina_jones@glenbard.org)
Ms. Hanson, Social Worker (brittnee_hanson@glenbard.org)
Ms. Teague, Social Worker (carmen_teague@glenbard.org)

Mr. Lohman, Speech & Language Pathologist (brian_lohman@glenbard.org)

How can we help?

Self-Management Support (organization, time management, study skills, etc.)
Combatting Cabin Fever (physical, mental, emotional, social self-care tips, etc.)

Community Resources (basic needs, counseling, financial assistance, etc.)
E-Learning Assistance (provide guidance on who to contact with questions regarding: academic skills, academic content, technology questions, assessments, etc.)

If we don't have the answer, we will help you find it

Glenbard Cares

The COVID-19 pandemic has negatively affected our world in a myriad of ways. The Glenbard South Needy Family Fund was created many years ago to provide assistance to students and families in need. Please consider contributing to the Needy Family Fund.

Checks can be made out to:

Glenbard South Needy Family Fund

23W200 Butterfield Rd.

Glen Ellyn, IL 60137

Thank you for your generosity.

School Counselor Corner

Your school counselors hope you are staying healthy during these remote learning days. Your school counselors are available via email, conference call or Google hangouts if you need us. Your counselors continue to monitor grades and will continue reaching out to students via Schoology, email and phone calls to encourage them to use this time to improve grades. Teachers can help students prioritize missing work. Please reach out to

them. Your school counselor can help you with this, if you would like. We are all here to support and help.

Senior Exit meetings:

Your school counselors need you to complete two short surveys in Naviance, they are the Graduation Survey and the Senior Exit Survey. They are found in the About Me tab, under My Stuff, and finally under My Surveys. It is important that we collect this information from you by May 1st. Your school counselor will also set up a short Google hangout or phone conference to discuss any questions you may still have. We miss you!

Still need help with FAFSA or applying to college?

Our representative from ISAC is available via phone or zoom conference:

Yanika Barfield

ISACorps Member

Illinois Student Assistance Commissions

College of Dupage District

Yanika.Barfield@Illinois.gov

1(630)352-9183

Class of 2020:

Committing to College: 52 percent of colleges have extended their usual May 1 deadline for students to accept an offer of admission for Fall 2020. Among the 605 responding colleges that have traditionally operated with the May 1 national reply date, the 52 percent that are extending the date are most often choosing June 1. CALL THE COLLEGE or UNIVERSITY OF INTEREST FOR MORE DETAILS, OR CHECK THEIR WEBSITE.

UPDATED LIST of Colleges that have moved their “commit date”:

<https://www.acceptgroup.org/extended-deadlines>

Financial Aid Package Appeal: If there has been a loss of job or income, students and families should call the college financial aid office to discuss alternatives

Class of 2021:

Admission Changes by College

College fairs are also feeling the impact of the coronavirus and have canceled many events, including the Spring National College Fair. The NACAC (National Association for College Admission Counseling) has organized a list of colleges and the changes to

admission policies in response to the outbreak. This list is updated in real-time as schools amend their policies.

<https://www.nacacnet.org/news--publications/newsroom/college-admission-status-coronavirus/>

Virtual Admission Events

Many schools are transitioning to virtual campus tours and video chats to help students explore their options when they are not able to travel to visit in person

Many colleges have changed to being “test-optional”, meaning they are NOT requiring the SAT or ACT test for an application to their school: PLEASE CHECK THE SPECIFIC COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY’S ADMISSIONS WEBSITE OR CALL THE ADMISSIONS OFFICE for details

Test-Optional Universities

As the climate is changing, schools are responding to the reality that students may not be able to test and are suspending their test score requirements. Below is a link to a website that has compiled a national list of schools.

[Fairtest.org national list of Test-Optional Schools](https://www.fairtest.org/national-list-of-test-optional-schools/)

Standardized Testing

SAT and AP Tests

The College Board, which administers both the SAT and AP tests, is continually updating its website.

SAT — See the "SAT Coronavirus Updates" webpage. The SAT for May 2 has been canceled, as well as the June test.

AP — See the "AP and Coronavirus Updates" webpage for information for AP students as well as AP teachers and coordinators. Note: Traditional face-to-face exams will not take place. Students will take a 45-minute online free-response exam at home. For each AP subject, there will be two different testing dates. Free online review courses are available. Information for higher education professionals on test security and validity is also available.

ACT Tests

ACT has rescheduled its April 4 national test date to June 13 across the US. All students registered for the April 4 test date will receive an email from ACT informing them of the postponement and instructions for free rescheduling to June 13 or a future national test date. Please check the ACT website for updates.

“Raiders Are Better Together”
Keep working hard and we appreciate
all the effort!



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Resources and Informational Links

[Available Food Banks](#)

[Centers for Disease Control and Prevention](#)

[Clean Your Hands fact sheet](#)

[Comcast free 60-day trial of low-cost Internet](#)

[DuPage Health Department](#)

[E-Learning FAQ](#)

[Food Assistance](#)

[Handwashing at home, play and out and about](#)

[Illinois Department of Public Health](#)

[Lavado de manos en casa, en donde jugamos y cuando salimos](#)

[National Association of School Psychologists Tips](#)

[National Association of School Psychologists Tips \(en Espanol\)](#)

[Schoology, How to Get Started](#)

[Schoology, How to Get Started \(en espanol\)](#)

[Social Distancing](#)

[Stay at Home FAQ from Gov. Pritzker](#)

[Stop the Spread of Germs fact sheet](#)

PBIS CARES

The PBIS Committee now has a LIVE Instagram Page. The page name
is: **glenbardsouthpbis**.

Please consider following our Instagram Page to stay up to date on what is going on
around the building, activities that are happening throughout the school year, and
celebrating the successes of our students and staff!

-The PBIS Committee

Bullying and School Violence Tip Line

The Glenbard South School Violence and Bullying Tip Line is to report threats of school violence and/or bullying behavior. Please call **(630)942-6677** to make a report. Students who wish to report a potential act of school violence at Glenbard South may also leave an anonymous message with our Police Liaison Officer at **(630)942-6697**.

If you or someone you know is thinking about hurting themselves please reach out.

Suicide Hotline
(800)273-8255

Crisis Text Line
Text "HOME" to 741741

Information about student fees, credits, refunds

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We continue to deliver remote learning instruction to our students through iPads, digital curriculum and Schoology, our learning management software. Our teachers are coordinating this instruction with students and this will continue until the end of the scheduled school year.

There have been questions from our families regarding student fees. The following information should assist our families regarding Glenbard fees during this time.

School Fees:

Registration & Fees: Students will receive instruction for entire school year; therefore, the fee is valid for this year.

iPad Rental Fee: Students will receive instruction for entire school year; therefore, the fee is valid for this year.

Digital Curriculum Fee: Students will receive instruction for entire school year; therefore, the fee is valid for this year.

Behind the Wheel (Driver Education Fee): We will provide completion of behind the wheel instruction for students in the fall 2020 semester. Fee is valid.

Athletic Fee: The athletic fee of \$150 allows the student to participate in unlimited sports. Because spring sports have been cancelled, we will credit the student's fee statement \$150 if the student has signed up for a spring sport only.

Parking Fee: Due to the pandemic, we missed 44 on-site instruction days out of 176. Therefore, 25% of the paid annual parking fee will be credited to the student's account. If a student parking pass was only for the second half of the year, they will receive a 50% credit of their paid fee.

Summer School Fees (Summer 2020): We have waived fees for summer school 2020, due to the pandemic. If you have already paid this fee, we will credit your account for the amount paid.

Credits/Refunds:

We will provide credits to student accounts per above.

Returning students: We will apply credits to student's accounts toward next year's fees.

Graduating seniors: We will issue a refund check by mid-June for those seniors who have a credit balance on their accounts.

No Action Needed to Receive Credit/Refund

Our business office will automatically process any credits/refunds; families do not need to do anything to receive a credit/refund.

Questions?

If you have questions, please contact our bookkeeper:

Glenbard South – Maureen Cappozzo maureen_cappozzo@glenbard.org

SUPERINTENDENT MESSAGE



Superintendent: Staff is focused on each student. In these times of great uncertainty, there's one thing you can be sure of: our faculty and staff are working hard to provide a safe, nurturing environment in which students are supported and encouraged to learn. Our partnership with families is critical to our success.

We have been on a multi-year journey to teach social emotional learning standards that include five components: self-awareness, self-management, responsible decision making, social awareness and relationship skills. Now, more than ever, our staff's instruction and support in these areas is critical. I applaud the classroom teachers, student services staff, support staff and administration for reaching out to students on a regular basis. Students develop in all five areas with the encouragement and support of a caring adult. Clearly Glenbard South cares about their students.

I also recognize the many social and emotional needs that staff, students and families have during this crisis are affecting daily life. Anxiety, grief and loss

can limit everyone's ability to manage their lives in our current situation. Our school psychologist, social workers, school counselors and school nurse are working to support students, families and staff during this unusual time. I encourage you to read their weekly messages in [Glenbard News](#), and if you need assistance from them, please call Glenbard South's helpline at 630-534-4230. They are there to help.

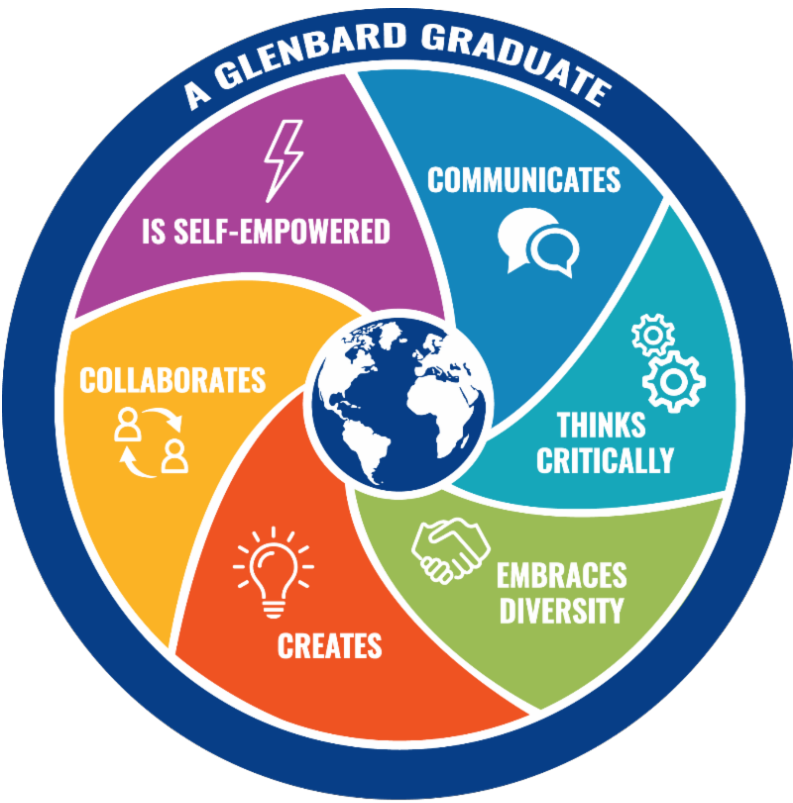
Sadly, an outgrowth of the pandemic is the growing number of families facing financial difficulties. I appreciate the many donations to our foundation, the Partnership for Educational Progress (PEP). These donations help families who are hardest hit by the pandemic. If you would like to help, you may donate to the PEP Glenbard Student Support Fund [here](#). Your donation will help our families in need with items such as grocery gift cards, etc.

I am touched by the stories of concern for neighbors and kindness among strangers, friends and family alike. Empathy and compassion during this prolonged crisis make a world of difference in the lives of our family, neighbors and others.

While most of us are working from home, essential workers in our buildings and throughout the community continue to go to work each day. We have the utmost respect for these individuals, who are doing critical work while we observe the state's stay at home order. They truly are heroes. Their selflessness and commitment to our students and staff is impressive.

I have said it many times – I am thankful for our talented and dedicated staff, who go above and beyond for our students. I admire how our staff adapted to remote learning, as well as the many ways they are connecting with students and designing exciting learning opportunities. Be confident that our staff is focused on each student's needs and goals.

We miss our students and staff. We miss seeing you at school events. Thank you for your continued support, patience and support during these challenging times. While the future is uncertain, I know we collectively and individually will be stronger. We will get through this together.



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