

GLENBARD SOUTH Where Excellence Is Tradition

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2ND SEMESTER BEGINS

Visit our Website

Principal's Message



As we start the new semester, we want to make sure everyone stays connected! How?

Routinely check Power School

Students should monitor their grades in PowerSchool each week. They can check for outstanding assignments and opportunities for rechecks. It's a great way to start a dialog.

Access Academic Support systems

There are several academic resources available each day. Students can schedule appointments with our Math Lab Assistant, our Writing Center Tutor, and our AP Cafe Supervisor. Teachers have office hours as well!

Partner with Student Services

Our school counseling department, social workers, and school psychologist are ready to assist students and families with health, wellness, academic, and social-emotional supports. Students can access our team through Gmail.

Monitor school activities and updates

We use many avenues to communicate with students and families. Students get regular posts on Schoology for student activities, athletics, and school counseling. Parents have access too.

- TV monitors, Activities, and Athletic screens located in hallways
- Activity Wall Across from the HUB
- Twitter @GBSraiders
- · Glenbard South Website
- Raider Daily News posted on our website
- Monthly Principal's eNewsletter
- The Independent Newspaper @gbsindy
- Video Announcements (Mondays)
- Electronic Signs on Park Ave. and Butterfield Ave.

Access the Glenbard South Booster Parent Directory

Once again, the Glenbard South Boosters will provide parents with a resource to stay connected through the online mobile app, Directory Spot. The directory will contain parent names, phone numbers, home address, parent email addresses and student names, and grade levels. The app is secure, and only parents and staff of Glenbard South School will be granted access. Each user will log in with an authorized email address and will set their password.

 If you do not wish to have your family information published in the Glenbard South Booster Parent Directory, please send an email to <u>Maria_mazza@glenbard.org</u> by February 1, 2021. In the subject line, use the message: School Directory. Be sure to include your student's' name and ID number so we can exclude your information.

Spring Semester Calendar

The full calendar for our Spring Semester can be found here.

Bus Information Reminder

Please utilize our website to review specific bus pickup and drop off times. https://www.glenbard87.org/bus-information/

Opt Out of Study Hall / Lunch

You may recall that during 1st semester we provided an option for parents to give permission for their child to arrive late and/or leave early if they had a lunch or study hall at the start or end of the day. For those students taking part in hybrid learning 2nd semester, students will maintain the same status with regards to arriving late and leaving early based on your response from 1st semester. If you need to change these permissions for your child, please contact your student's school counselor so adjustments can be made accordingly in PowerSchool. If you wish for your child to

have the same permissions as 1st semester, you do not need to do anything further.

Food Service During Hybrid Learning

When we return to hybrid learning on Tuesday, Jan. 19, grab and go meals will be available to students as they exit the building. All students may pick up multiple meals while in hybrid, so they have food on the all remote day. We will provide the same meal service at Directions and our northern and southern Transition centers.

For all remote learners, we will continue to distribute meals under the plan we have been following. However, we are changing the distribution day to Mondays only and providing a 7-day meal bundle.

Important details:

- A parent/guardian may pick up the meals.
- Meals will be distributed on Mondays at the main entrance to each school and the Glendale Heights Aquatic Center.
- Students who are on campus will pick up meals from 12:25 to 12:45, and students in our remote learning model may pick up meals from 1 to 2 p.m.
- Because of the Monday, Jan. 18, holiday, this distribution will begin on Tuesday, Jan. 19.

CELEBRATING SENIORS

Attention Class of 2021! We want to send you off with a second semester that celebrates you! The Raider Nation will be working each month of this semester to recognize your class and celebrate our Seniors! This month there will be raffles to giveaway prizes on Jan 19th and Jan 25th.

BOOSTER MASK CONTEST

The Boosters are helping to build school spirit by hosting a Mask Design contest. Details will be presented on Tuesday through the video announcements and Schoology. Each student can submit their Glenbard South design and student voting will be the following week. There will be one winner whose mask will be printed and sold as part of the Glenbard South Boosters' fundraising efforts. All funds raised by sales of the masks will go to Glenbard South Boosters which support student scholarships, academics, activities, the arts, and athletics. Go Raiders!



INSTRUCTIONAL INSIDER

Enrollment process is happening now

We MISS you. . . We want to SEE you!

We are all learning a lot about what works and doesn't work in the world of virtual classrooms. As we step into second semester, we want to take the opportunity to reflect on the feedback we have received from students, parents, and staff and make necessary adjustments to improve learning experiences for our students.

One thing we have heard loud and clear is that there is an awkward reality and isolating nature to being in a classroom without seeing any student faces. School is about more than just the assignment you complete and submit. It is about developing relationships, understanding people, listening with our whole body, building empathy for one another, among many other things. These social skills are improved with a personal connection. Additionally, teachers observe facial expressions to gauge a student's understanding, assess any confusion, provide further clarification, and facilitate engagement activity.

We know that your camera will not be on for an entire period because of the iPad's functionality. While using a variety of apps during a lesson, the camera will be off. But when class begins, during teacher-led instruction or class discussions and presentations, your camera should be on and showing you. Students should choose a work space that allows for them to take an

appropriate posture for learning. Your teacher will be clear about requesting cameras on or off for portions of the class.

With this said, we also know there are legitimate reasons you might not want or be able to have your camera on. Here are some suggestions on how to navigate this:

If you have things going on at home that prohibits you from having your camera on, send a private message to your teacher explaining this. They will be understanding and compassionate for your individual circumstances. Utilize the fun backgrounds or blurred background features available on Zoom to help keep your privacy in your home.

Establish a morning routine that allows for you to "get ready" for school in much the same way you would if you were attending in person.

As celebrated in our vision for the Profile of a Glenbard Graduate, it is essential to develop a self-empowered Glenbard graduate with the ability to communicate, embrace diversity, and collaborate. With this in mind, we strongly encourage students to have their camera on and facing themselves for all of your classes.

We want to thank you for your continued engagement in learning, and appreciate your diligence and dedication to your academic success. We will continue to learn and grow TOGETHER!

TCD Student of the Month First Semester

Congratulations to the following South students who were nominated as the TCD Student of the Month by their Instructor during semester one. The criteria to is as follows: Nominations are based on citizenship, attitude, leadership, motivation and academics despite our crazy times in education during this pandemic. You also met TCD Expectations (Be Here! Be on Time! Be Ready!)

Student of the Month October 2020 in the Automotive Program : John Piang Student of the Month for November / December:

Multimedia Program : Aaron Wolf

Automotive Service Technology Program: Nicholas Taylor

LIVE LIFE WELL WEEK

Glenbard District 87 students and staff will celebrate **Live Life Well Week 2021 from Feb. 15-19**. At a time when there is so much uncertainty in the world it can be challenging to take a moment to bring our attention to the positives in life. Live Life Well Week is an opportunity to take stock of what is important and show appreciation, and kindness which can help increase joy and improve symptoms related to stress and anxiety. This year's theme is "Ignite Your Superpowers: Gratitude, Kindness & Mindfulness".

Shifting our attention to **gratitude** allows respite from fear and allows for a moment to connect with others. While we may have no control over others, or the world today we do have control over ourselves. **Kindness** makes the world better for everyone. It starts with being kind to one's self and taking care of one's self. **Mindfulness** is the human ability to

be fully present, intensely aware of where we are, and what we're doing, appreciating and focused on each moment for itself without judgement.

The awareness week begins on Monday, Feb 15, the Presidents' Day holiday, when the Glenbard community is asked to commit acts of kindness and volunteer. The ACTS (Advocating Character Through Service) Committee has organized a list of opportunities to give back. During physical education classes, students will hear Scott Hill in a virtual presentation titled "A Journey to Recovery". Shaun Derik will also present "The H.A.R.D. Part: Succeeding in Tough Times" from his winning web-series. In a virtual format Derik will bring high energy, humor and a fresh perspective to all Glenbard students. Here are the rewards of reframing in these uncertain times. Using music, and anecdotal humor he will equip young people with the tools needed to thrive.

The community will have the opportunity to hear Shaun Derik in a live virtual performance at 7 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 18 as part of the Glenbard Parent Series. Derek will present "Being T.H.E.R.E: Five Ways to Actively Engage Young People" to inspire, and assist adults to be present when working with, loving and caring for today's youth. Details at glenbardgps.org. Thanks go to the PE/Health/Dr Ed staff and the clubs / teams students and adults that have organized events in support of Live Life Well Week 2021.



Counselor Corner

Enrollment Season is Upon Us!

Counselors are meeting with students one on one by pushing into their core classes via Zoom. At these meetings, counselors are reviewing students' credits, class selection for next year and signing them up for summer school as needed. As a reminder, our 2021-2022 Enrollment Handbook is available online at gshseh.com. Please use this resource to help you better understand our course offerings.

If you're a junior/senior athlete, or a member of our marching band, and plan to apply for a **PE waiver** to take an additional academic class, please fill out the Google form that can be found on our website, under students tab, then school counseling. https://www.glenbardsouthhs.org/school-counseling/ Deadline for PE waiver is February 11, 2021.

Scholarship Information

The application for the Ed Posh Scholarship is now available on the Ed Posh website linked

here: https://www.edposhscholarship.com/scholars/application/ De adline for this scholarship is 2/15/2021. The scholarship award amount is \$4000 per year. Any questions please contact our school counselor who oversees scholarships, Mrs. Frodyma at jamie_frodyma@glenbard.org

The Glenbard South Local Application is live in Naviance now and will close on January 29, 2021. This one application is used to qualify students for a number of local scholarships that are designated for Glenbard South students only. An email was sent to all seniors and parents with instructions for this scholarship. Instructions and information are also posted on Glenbard South High School's website under the Students Tab/ School Counseling, and in the Schoology group - Class of 2021. Any questions contact Mrs. Frodyma at jamie_frodyma@glenbard.org

Please note that there are other Scholarship opportunities in Naviance under the College tab.

National Honor Society

National Honor Society - Attention parents of Juniors & Seniors!

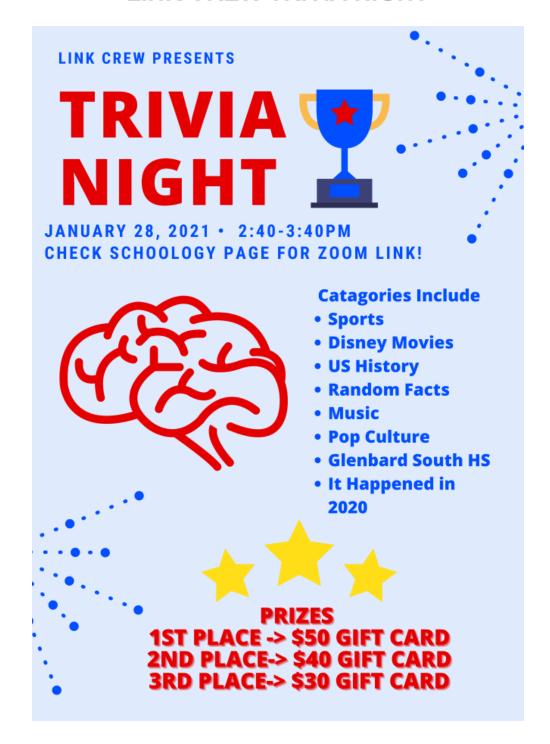
Junior Parents – If your son or daughter has a 4.3 cumulative GPA by the end of the first semester of their Junior year, they will be receiving instructions how to fill out the NHS Candidate Application in their gmail this year. Typically the application is a packet that is hand delivered to their classes. We're doing this digitally for the first time this year.

Senior Parents – If your son or daughter has a 4.3 cumulative GPA by the end of first semester of their Senior year - and they are not already members of NHS- they will also have an opportunity to apply this year.

Barring any technical difficulties, my goal is to have the emails with instructions sent out \mathbf{by} $\mathbf{Feb.}$ $\mathbf{5^{th}}$. So please encourage them to check their gmail during that week if they are interested in applying.

Questions: Ruth Homan – NHS Sponsor ruth homan@glenbard.org

LINK CREW TRIVIA NIGHT



RAIDER OF THE WEEK WINNERS

DECEMBER 1 - JANUARY 11

Congratulations to the following teachers for being nominated Raider staff member of the Week!

- 1. Jamea Harper
- 2. Cindy Demos
- 3. Keely McCuiston
- 4. Colleen Hiles
- 5. Dr. Dewald

Congratulations to the following students for being nominated Raider students of the week!

- 1. Annie Gillen
- 2. William Annan
- 3. Faith Bell
- 4. Demetrius Clark
- 5. Ethan Bremer
- 6. Liam Arra
- 7. Kenya Brown
- 8. Issei Sherman
- 9. Jacob Larson
- 10. Jiri Duda
- 11. Carey Smith
- 12. Kassandra Briano
- 13. Leandre Matthews
- 14. Edwin Tchapda
- 15. Tristan Sounthala
- 16. Asher Drechsel

Congratulations to the following classes for winning our perfect attendance competition recently!

- 1. Mrs. Raymond's 1st semester 1st period class
- 2. Mrs. Zajac's 1st semester period 2 class
- 3. Mrs. Lottino's 2nd semester 3rd period class

CONGRATULATIONS SOUTH MUSIC STUDENTS

The following students were chosen for the Illinois Music Education Association All-State Student Programs for Band, Chorus, Jazz, Orchestra, Composition, and the Future Music Educators Seminar. Of the 6,000 high school students who auditioned, our students are among approximately 1,500 students named to the 2021 ILMEA All-State Student Programs.

All-State Jazz Band: Stefan Loest, tenor sax.

All-State Orchestra: Luke Aliga, piccolo; Gabrielle Michael, French Horn; and Sofia Grimes, violin I

All-State Band: David Ankerberg, tuba; and Matthew King, euphonium;

HELPLINE IS ALWAYS HERE FOR YOU



GPS



Links to our virtual programs can be found on our web site: GlenbardGPS.org











UPCOMING EVENTS



Phyllis Fagell Middle School Matters: 10 Key Skills Kids Need to Thrive and Prepare for a Changing World on Tuesday, January 12, 7:00 p.m. Workshop for Professionals How to Bring Out The Best in Students ages 9-15





Railroad Safety Panel Lanny Wilson, M.D. with local rail and community representatives Thursday, January 21, 7:00 p.m.





Dr. John Duffy on Wednesday, January 27

in a Pandemic on Wednesday, January 13, noon

- Workshop for Professionals: Understanding Our Student's Stressed,
 Depressed, and Amazing Adolescence in the Age of Anxiety at noon
- Parenting in the New Age of Anxiety: Understanding Your Child's Stressed, Depressed and Amazing Adolescence, at 7:00 p.m.





The Price You Pay for College: An Entirely New Road Map for the Biggest Financial Decision Your Family Will Ever Make Ron Lieber Thursday, February 4, 7:00 p.m.





Being T.H.E.R.E.: Five Ways to Actively Engage Young People Shaun Derik, Live Life Well Week Speaker Thursday, February 18, 7:00 p.m.







Community Read - Educated: A Memoir
Tara Westover, author
in conversation with Chicago Tribune columnist Heidi Stevens
Tuesday, February 23, 7:00 p.m.





Uplifting All Children to Cultivate Critical Wellness: Race and Culture Matter – Black History Month Special Event Dr. Tyrone Howard Thursday, February 25, 7:00 p.m.





Catherine Pearlman, PHD, LCSW

Ignore It: Increase Parenting Satisfaction by Selectively Looking the Other Way
Tuesday, March 2, 7pm

A Workshop for Professionals: One Kind Act Begets Another/ How to Create a
Culture of Kindness that Benefits You and Your Students
Wednesday, March 3, noon



B-PAC/GPS PROGRAMS



Teen Health Update/La salud de los adolescentes está al día Dr. Daniel W. Perez & Linda Avila, MA Presented in Spanish only on Thursday, February 11, at 7:00 p.m.



We continue to target Tuesday, Jan. 19, to resume our hybrid learning model. This important step is made possible by our program to analyze student and staff saliva samples for COVID-19. We are hopeful that we will be able to remain in our hybrid model for a longer period because of this program.

Details about the program are available in our <u>FAQ here</u>. Please take a few minutes to read the FAQ.

We Need Your Help

Students in our hybrid learning model must participate in the saliva sample analysis program and provide a sample once a week. We will deliver a kit to the home of each student in hybrid learning. The kit includes instructions and the materials needed to provide a sample. We need parents and guardians of students in the hybrid model to ensure their students follow the instructions and provide a saliva sample once a week.

Significant Logistics

In less than a month from when the Board of Education authorized this program, our team has addressed numerous logistics to deliver this program for students and staff.

This program is an important safety mitigation. It is in addition to our current mitigations of:

- Self-certification of symptoms
- Temperature screening
- Wearing masks
- Maintaining social distancing
- Cleaning protocols
- Regular washing of hands.

Stay Safe at Home and in the Community

For years, educators have encouraged students to make good choices. Now, more than ever, that advice is critically important for all of us.

It's likely that we have all seen troubling photos and videos of large social gatherings where health safety protocols are not being followed. It's so important that we protect ourselves and others around us by adhering to health officials' guidelines. We know that teens closely watch our actions and learn from what we do.

Health officials urge us to:

- Wear a mask whenever outside your home or around people not from your household
- Watch your distance, staying at least 6 feet from people outside of your immediate household
- Wash your hands or use alcohol-based hand sanitizer often
- Avoid large gatherings, especially indoors
- Avoid non-essential travel
- Stay home if you are experiencing symptoms of COVID-19, or if you
 have been in close contact with a person infected with COVID-19;
 consult with your healthcare provider for medical evaluation and testing,
 as needed; and
- Get your flu shot; it's not too late.

Let's work together to keep our students, families and community safe.



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