

Glenbard South Principal Newsletter

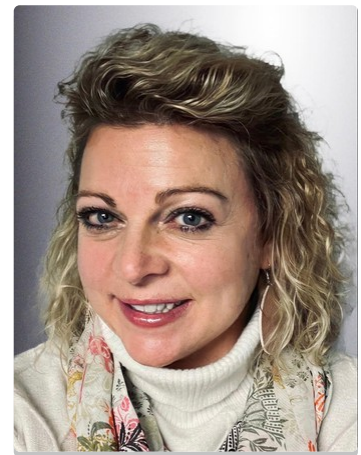
February 3, 2022



Principal Message

There is a lot to celebrate around Glenbard South with many students accomplishing incredible feats! See below for some academic achievements and read about more further below in our bulletin on the outstanding achievements happening in our activity and athletic programs! Go Raiders!

As I mentioned in the January newsletter, we will welcome Mr. Duncan Kirkwood to South on Monday, February 7th to hear a compelling message on the power of building resilience. All 11th and 12th grade students will attend during 2nd and 3rd period and 9th and 10 grade students will attend during 7th and 8th period. We are looking forward to a great day!



First semester Honor Roll Students

Congratulations to our students for their outstanding academic achievement during the 1st semester of this year. See the link below for students who have earned the Honor Roll designation by earning a 4.0-4.7999 GPA and High Honor Roll for those students who earned a 4.8000 or higher on our 5.0 scale.

[21-22 S1 Honor Roll Students](#)

Illinois State Scholars

Congratulations to our Raiders who have earned the designation of Illinois State Scholars. This distinction is based on a formula from the Illinois State Board of Education of GPA and SAT/ACT scores. Approximately 10% or less of all high school students in Illinois earn this distinction. Congratulations!

21-22 Illinois State Scholars

Ahlborn, Charlotte Madeleine	Juengel, Brianna Nicole	Perkins, Nathan Thomas
Arif, Tasneem Duha	Kempfe, Karsten John	Pinkelman, Kevin Patrick
Baygood, Madelyn Grace	Kennedy, Paige Marcella	Pohlman, Claire Louise
Bryan, Audrey K	Madary, Julia Noel	Rizvi, Salman
Brzezinski, Adam James	Michael, Gabrielle Laine	Salins, Noah Marcus
Chen, Victoria Tianxin	Miller, Brittany Kathleen	Sampey, Colin James
Clingen, Paul Ivan	Miskovic, Megan Hope	Sampey, Emma Grace
DeNardo, Kylie Anne	Muzammil, Alina Fatima	Sandoval, Aryan Navid
Dodd, Ryan Charles	Nadeem, Ahmed Sulaiman	Scharf, Thaddeus Alexander
Ford, Ryan William	Newman, Rachel Kay	Scullion, Samuel
Frieling, Emily Nicole	Noak, Sara Katherine	Shariff, Sawdah
Gjata, Arted	Orsolini, Steven Anthony	Vercoe, Brenton A
Guastaferrri, Isabella Grace	Page, Maya Elizabeth	Walther, Madeline Grace
Jaleel, Ammaar Syed	Patranabis, Megh	Wilder, Isobel Anne
		Woods, Ethan James

ILMEA All-State

Congratulations to our students who were selected for ILMEA All-State. This was the largest group selected in our school history. The students who were selected for ILMEA All-State, were selected from the 9 local ILMEA districts across the state. These students performed with other selected musicians in large bands, choirs, and orchestras at the festival in Peoria, in January. This is an incredible honor for these musicians.

BAND: David Ankerberg, Matthew King, Henry Lazzaro, Gabrielle Michael, Calvin Scharf, Matthew Smalley

ORCHESTRA: Sofia Grimes

CHOIR: Gabrielle Allaway, Eleanor Johnson, Alina Dukala

Looking for help: Raider Resources

As a reminder, if you are looking for help, check out our [Raider Resource](#) page for more information which will connect you to our school and other community resources.



Staying Healthy:

It is important to stay home if you are symptomatic and to get tested before returning to stop the spread of COVID-19.

FROM THE OFFICE OF:

ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL OF INSTRUCTION

Mr. Sean Byrne



District Evening Virtual Tutoring for Math & English

Certified Glenbard staff members are eager to help students with homework, assessment preparation, writing assignments, or questions about the content of their classes. We are happy to help. Students are welcome to join anytime during open hours!

- Days: Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday
- Time: 6 PM - 8 PM
- Zoom Links:
 - [Virtual Tutoring - English Link](#)
 - [Virtual Tutoring - Math Link](#)

Important Upcoming Testing Dates

Families should keep these dates in mind for future planning. These testing dates are important for all assigned students to be in attendance.

- SAT
 - Wednesday, April 13, 2022
 - Juniors Only; No school for other students.
- PSAT 8/9 and PSAT 10:
 - Tuesday April 19, 2022
 - Freshman and Sophomores Only; No school for other students.
- AP Testing
 - May 2 - 13
 - Each subject is tested on a different day. Please see [THIS LINK](#) for specific dates.

FROM THE OFFICE OF:

ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL OF OPERATION

Mr. Taff Nielsen



Commencement for Class of 2022

This year's commencement ceremony to celebrate the Class of 2022 will be on **Friday, May 20th, 2022**. The ceremony will begin at 6:00pm. We are excited to share that this year's ceremony will occur outside in Raider Stadium. Our rain date will be on Saturday, May 21st. We are in the process of finalizing the senior end-of-the-year events and more information will be shared soon.



Morning Drop-off

The morning student drop-off can be a stressful time due to a high volume of traffic and weather conditions. Hundreds of vehicles move through our lot each day. The lot is divided by cones into several lanes, with the lanes closest to the school remaining reserved for buses. Please respect lanes created to keep traffic organized as well as the areas designated as student drop-off areas. When the weather conditions are bad, greater delays are expected. Please plan accordingly. Our busiest times are between 7:20am - 7:35am. Arriving before 7:20am can make a tremendous difference. If there are any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me at (630)942-6700 or taff_nielsen@glenbard.org.

FROM THE OFFICE OF:

ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL OF STUDENT SERVICES

Ms. Marina Kosak





Valentine for Vets

Due to yesterday's e-learning day our Valentines for Vets event has been rescheduled to Friday 2/4 during all lunch periods. This is an opportunity for our students to show their gratitude to those who have served our country. This event is in partnership with the Village of Glendale Heights. Once a student has finished their card they can turn it in to one of our volunteers who will in return provide them with a "sweet" treat. Thank you to our Glenbard South Booster Club as well for their help in making this event a success.

Live Life Well Week

The week of February 21st is Glenbard District 87's annual "Live Life Well Week". This year's theme is: "Grow through what you go through". Our students will have daily activities that will allow them to look at different ways to be thoughtful and show gratitude to our community while maintaining a healthy lifestyle. The week always starts off with "President's Day of Service" held at the Ackerman Center in Glen Ellyn from 11:30-1:30. All Glenbard students are invited to come and make blankets for kids with cancer. From there we will have different activities held throughout the week at South. Please see the flyer below to see how our Raiders will be celebrating the week.

Glenbard South
Live Life Well Week 2022
GROW THROUGH WHAT YOU GO THROUGH

NO SCHOOL - PRESIDENT'S DAY

President's Day of Service 11:30am-1:30pm
 All Glenbard students are welcome to volunteer to make blankets for children with cancer at the Glen Ellyn Ackerman Facility for Project Linus. Pizza and supplies are provided by the West Nation ACTS (Advocating Character Through Service) Parent Committee in partnership with Glenbard clubs and teams

Thankful Tuesday
 Events will aim to cultivate creativity as a way to incite gratitude, self-compassion, and mindfulness. Students will have the opportunity to reflect on what is good in their lives and give to others in need through our "Hot Chocolate for Charity" event during all lunches.

Wellness Wednesday
 Students in PE classes will hear virtual guest speaker, Javier Sanchez, share encouraging strategies to experience life to the fullest in healthy, safe, and positive ways while reminding all students that their power to change their lives and change the world around them starts with the choices they make.
 -- "I Matter: Helping Students Move From Inspiration to Action to Outcomes"
 Throughout the day, students will be encouraged to engage in activities that promote self-reflection for their actions, emotions, and to enhance their sense of self-compassion.

Thoughtful Thursday
 Events will highlight skills of empathy, kindness, and connection while encouraging students to remain present in the moment. Students will create a growing vine throughout the Commons hallway with their own words on how they want to continue to grow.
 Javier Sanchez speaks to GPS at 7pm: "Cultivating Connections That Count" Go to GlenbardGPS.org for the link

Fun Friday/Power of Play
 Activities throughout the day will aim to foster joy through the power of play. Students will be encouraged to utilize skills of problem-solving, connection, and communication to reinforce social relationships through fun and games. Lunch time activities will highlight the theme.

FEB 21
FEB 22
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FEB 24
FEB 25

Violence and Bullying Hotline

At Glenbard South, we offer a violence and bullying hotline which allows students to provide anonymous information to school officials regarding potential school threats or bullying incidents. The number is (630) 534-4230.

Additionally, students can text a CRISIS Test Line: Text HOME to 74141 which sends information to a Crisis Counselor, a real-life human being trained to help individuals return to a healthy/stable level of functioning.

The State of Illinois is launching a school safety program called Safe2Help Illinois in an effort to raise awareness of the 21st century threats facing schoolchildren in Illinois. Safe2Help Illinois will offer students a safe, confidential way in which to share information that might help prevent suicides, bullying, school violence or other threats to school safety. This program is intended to get students to "Seek Help Before Harm." Call 844-472-3345 or Text 72332(SAFE2) to report.

The Attorney General's Safety Tips homepage contains several links that may provide additional helpful resources: <http://illinoisattorneygeneral.gov/children/kids/safetytips.html>

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) 469-4297.



PBIS News

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

Rachel Newman, Maddie Molenda, Victoria Chen, Matthew Heidorn, Erika Hartman, Isabella Serrano,

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

Mrs. Harper's period 5 AP English Language and Composition class

Glenbard South Hosts Speech Tournament

The Glenbard South Speech Team, sponsored by Candace Vickers and Tom Nussbaum, hosted its second Glenbard South Invitational on January 22, 2022. Twenty teams arrived at GBS on a chilly Saturday morning to engage in a spirited competition that showcased the talents of hundreds of high school students- including teams from Glenbard West and Glenbard South.



Senior Naomi Friedman placed 2nd in Dramatic Interpretation, along with Junior Delaney Povevich placing 6th. Sister Juniors Fatima and Hafsa Rasheed placed 2nd in their Humorous Duet. Junior Hans Herrera placed 5th in Original Comedy.

Next Saturday the GBS Speech team competes in the Upstate 8 Conference Tournament at Larkin High School, followed by the IHSA Regionals competition at Glenbard West on February 5.



Our Scholastic Bowl team is UEC Conference Champions!

Congratulations to our Glenbard South Scholastic Bowl as they won the Upstate Eight Conference Title for the first time in school history. Even more impressive is that they went undefeated throughout not only the tournament but also the regular season. The Scholastic Bowl team is coached by Mr. Michael Douglas and his assistant coach is Dr. Caicina Jones. Our student scholars include:

Zach Henry, Anaya Afzal, Grace Bittlingmaier, Noah Sallins, Jason Lo, Hans Herrera, Belinda Ramos, Aniketh Mangalagiri, Aniyah Nelson, Andrew Lullo

School Counselor Corner

Enrollment Season is Upon Us!

Counselors started the new year by meeting with all of our students one on one to review their course selections for the 2022-23 school year. If you have any questions about your student's course requests for next year, please contact your student's school counselor.

College and Career Programming Continues

College and Military Visits will resume in January. Sophomore, Junior and Senior students are eligible to receive a pass to be excused from class to speak with these representatives. These are excellent opportunities to learn more about different colleges, majors and career pathways, as well as options for military service and military pathways to your college education. Students can see what institutions are coming and sign up in Naviance. If there is a specific school you are interested in that is not on the list, please contact Anne Lange to see if we can connect with them.

Career Speaker Spotlights are casual conversations with professionals about their career field, what their job entails, and the skills and education necessary to be successful. Students sign up to attend these talks and can receive a pass to be excused from class. These are open to all grades. Students are allowed 6 passes a semester total for any college and career visits.

Career Exploration Assistance Available

Naviance has many resources to assist students discover what their interests and aptitudes are and link them to specific career fields. Our Career Resource Coordinator, Anne Lange, is available to meet with students during a free period (lunch or study hall) to help guide their career exploration. Please contact anne.lange@glenbard.org for more information.

Glenbard District 87 Virtual College Fair is planned for Friday, March 18 during the school day. We are inviting various representatives to meet with our students virtually to share information about their

school. Students will have the opportunity to sign up to hear from the institutions they are interested in and can move from (Zoom) room to room. Look for more information as we get closer to the event.

Other College Fairs

North Central College is planning a fair for Wednesday, March 16 from 6-8pm. Check the website for more information. <https://www.northcentralcollege.edu/visit/illinois-regional-college-fair>

NACAC is planning several virtual college fairs for this spring, including ones dedicated to STEM, Visual and Performing Arts and transfer students. Check the website for more information.

<https://www.nacacfairs.org/attend/attend-virtual-college-fairs/>

Benefit of College Visits

College visits are a vital part of the college investigation process. Whether you are a freshman at the beginning stages of the college process or a senior trying to make a final decision, college visits can have a powerful impact. There is nothing quite like experiencing a college campus first hand. In many cases, investing in a college education might be one of the most significant financial investments one ever makes. Getting a chance to visit multiple campuses provides the added research needed so you can feel confident about whatever choice you make.

Here are 4 benefits of college visits:

1. **Get a better "feel" of the campus.** Each campus has a different style; something that makes it unique. Some campuses are large and spread out, while other campuses are small and compact. Getting a feel of the college environment can help students decide if a large state school or a small liberal arts school is a better fit.
2. **Going on a college tour.** Tours can take students into a classroom, meet students and faculty, and even get a chance to see what a dorm room looks like. This helps students to start to formulate what is important to them. For example, how do they feel about large class sizes? What benefits does dorm life provide?
3. **Chance to ask lots of questions.** College visits allow you to ask questions that you didn't even know you had. The process can be overwhelming, but having a chance to get on campus and ask as many questions as possible can be extremely helpful. College admission counselors are ready and eager to answer whatever questions students and parents have. Provides motivation. Like all goals, having a vision of college keeps students motivated.
4. **Sets a vision for the future.** Seeing a college in person and becoming aware of all the exciting possibilities of their future puts a concept that might once have been black and white into color. This vision can help students to remember why every test, every assignment, and all their hard work matters.

Planning a college visit doesn't have to be difficult or even cost any money. The first step will be to visit the college website. Starting with local schools can be a great first step.

School Counselors Celebrate National School Counseling Week, Feb. 7–11, 2022

National School Counseling Week 2022, "School Counseling: Better Together," sponsored by the

public attention on the unique contribution of school counselors within U.S. school systems and how students are different as a result of what school counselors do. National School Counseling Week highlights the tremendous impact school counselors can have in helping students achieve school success and plan for a career.

The special week honoring school counselors provides recognition for school counselors who are actively engaged in helping students examine their abilities, strengths, interests and talents; for working in a partnership with parents as they encounter the challenges of raising children in today's world; for focusing on positive ways to enhance students' academic, career and social/emotional development; and working with teachers and other educators to provide an educational system where students can realize their potential and set healthy, realistic and optimistic aspirations for themselves.

School counselors are certified, experienced educators with a master's degree in school counseling. The combination of their training and experience makes them an integral part of the total educational program.

From the office of:

Assistant Principal of Athletics
Mr. Tim Carlson



Girls Basketball Raises Money For Pediatric Cancer Charity

At the girls basketball game played on Friday, January 21st, the Raiders partnered with the Go4theGoal Foundation to bring awareness to the cause of pediatric cancer. The Raiders LacedUp4Cancer as they wore yellow shoelaces and t-shirts for the cause. The team was able to raise almost \$1500 for the Go4theGoal Foundation. The Go4theGoal Foundation works to help kids with cancer achieve their goals. We are proud of our Raiders and their commitment to being in service to others.

Dance Team Qualifies For State

Congratulations to our varsity dance team for qualifying for the IHSA Class 1A State Meet. The team placed 4th at the Geneva Sectional to claim the second trip to state in school history. The Raiders advanced to the second day of the state finals for the first time after placing 9th out of 30 teams on the first day of state. The team placed 11th on day 2 to cap off a memorable season. Team members include: Emma Arnold, Laurel Bergendorf, Audrey Biancalana, Courtney Cardamone, Gianna Cardamone, Claire Gelber, Isabella Hollis, Annabel Moore, Sara Noak, Claire Pohlman, Keira Salt, Taylor Tricroce. The head coach is Haley Krus and the assistant coach is Meghan Winebrenner.



Boys Bowling Team Qualifies for State

Congratulations to our Glenbard East/South Co-op boys bowling team for qualifying for the IHSA State Finals. The team placed 2nd at the Glenbard East Sectional to earn their 3rd consecutive trip to state. The team advanced to compete on the second day of the state finals and finished 8th in state overall. The team also claimed conference and regional championships on their way to state. Glenbard South students who were members of the varsity this year are: Ryan Kalebic, Bradley Schaefer, and Josh Sykes. The head coach is Steve Bair and assistant coaches Scott Lilly, Jerry Anderson, and Josh Strange.

Spring Sports Start Dates

Spring Sports season is up and running for boys and girls track while the other spring sports are right around the corner. Remember that students must be registered in PowerSchool and have a current physical in order to participate on the first day of the season. Times will be announced by the coaches in advance of the first day of tryouts. Below are the start dates for spring sports:



The graphic features a large red 'GS' logo with a white outline on a blue background. Below the logo, the text 'SPRING SPORTS START DATES' is written in red and blue. At the bottom, a small blue banner contains the text 'MUST BE REGISTERED IN POWERSCHOOL AND HAVE A CURRENT PHYSICAL IN ORDER TO TRYOUT.' To the right of the logo, a blue vertical bar with a white dot pattern lists the start dates for various sports.

JANUARY 18
Boys and Girls Track
FEBRUARY 14
Boys Gymnastics
FEBRUARY 28
Badminton Baseball Girls Soccer Softball Boys Tennis
MARCH 7
Boys Volleyball

Questions for each sport can be directed to the head coach:

Boys Track: Doug Gorsk doug_gorski@glenbard.org

Girls Track: Dan Bledsoe daniel_bledsoe@glenbard.org

Boys Gymnastics: Lee Wood lee_wood@glenbard.org

Badminton: Lisa Roy lisa_roy@glenbard.org

Baseball: Marco Eufrazio marco_eufrazio@glenbard.org

Girls Soccer: Kevin Berner kevin_berner@glenbard.org

Softball: Julie Fonda julie_fonda@glenbard.org

Boys Tennis: Wade Hardtke wade_hardtke@glenbard.org

Boys Volleyball: Chad Grant chad_grant@glenbard.org

Boosters Trivia Night



RAIDER ROCK MIX TAPE

DUST OFF YOUR CASSETTES AND
GET YOUR AQUA NET READY FOR

80^s **TRIVIA NIGHT**

FRIDAY FEBRUARY 11TH
7-10:30 P.M.

\$25.00 PER TICKET
JOIN THE GLENBARD SOUTH BOOSTERS
FOR OUR 80S TRIVIA WINTER SOCIAL

80S ATTIRE ENCOURAGED!

@ THE LOMBARD COMMUNITY CENTER
(433 EAST ST. CHARLES RD., LOMBARD)



REGISTER EARLY! SEATING IS LIMITED.
GSBOOSTERS.ORG/WINTERSOCIAL

Glenbard Parent Series

UPCOMING EVENTS



Real American: A Memoir
 Julie Lythcott-Haims
 Tuesday, February 8 at 7 pm
 Black History Month Event



The Power of Self Compassion
 Dr. Kristin Neff
 Wednesday, February 16 at 7 pm
 Kick Off to Live Life Well Week



Mindfulness for Healing and Self-Care
 Tovi Scruggs
 Thursday, February 17 at noon



Helping Student Move from Inspiration to Action to Outcomes
 Javier Sanchez, Live Life Well Keynote
 Thursday, February 24 at 7 pm



Children's Resilience and the Importance of Everyday Interactions – for parents of children ages 3 to 9
 Dr. Junlei Li & Dr. Dana Winters, Fred Rogers Center Practitioners
 Tuesday, March 1 at 7 pm



Beyond Behaviors: Using Brain Science and Compassion to Understand and Solve Children's Behavioral Challenges
 Dr. Mona Delahooke
 Thursday, March 3 at 7 pm



Conversations You Need to Have by Age 14 (15, 16 & 17)
 Michelle Icard
 Wednesday, March 16 at noon and 7 pm



A Celebration of 50 Years of Women Athletics and Title IX
 Jen Brooks and Nancy Reno (Glenbard West Alumnus)
 Tuesday, March 22 at 7 pm



B-PAC/GPS PROGRAMS IN SPANISH



Ana Mandujano, Educadora del Programa YWCA
 Relaciones Actuales entre Adolescentes
 Jueves, el 17 de Febrero, 7pm

Teen Relationships Today
 Thursday, February 17, 7pm



Dr. Lourdes Ferrer-Allen
 Academia para Padres de Familia
 "Preparación para la Excelencia"
 Jueves, el 17 de Marzo, 7pm

Academia para Padres de Familia
 "Preparación para la Excelencia"
 Thursday, March 17, 7pm



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