

Glenbard South Principal Newsletter

March 6, 2022

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Principal Message

Raider Families,

March brings a natural air of excitement with the end of winter approaching and an abundance of opportunities and celebrations around the corner. Our seniors are hearing back from the colleges and universities with decision letters. Spring sports have started at the normally scheduled time for the first time since the spring of 2019. The PSAT, SAT and AP exams are on the horizon which allow our students an opportunity to demonstrate their learning and move toward reaching future goals and aspirations. We are looking forward to our first prom and our first musical performance, which this year will be "High School Musical" since 2019, coming this April. With all of this anticipation and excitement, we know our students will need reminders to breathe and take moments to take care of themselves and one another. Thank you for everything you do to support our students and to help them be their best self.

In the spirit of caring and giving, I want to thank our preschool program, led by Ms. Christa Gifford for facilitating a collection of essential items for the Ukrainian people fleeing to Poland organized by a family in the community.

Wishing you a wonderful March,

Principal Santee

Ms. Gifford shared,

"Thank you to EVERYONE who helped contribute to our preschool collection for the Ukrainian people! It is a little hard to see just HOW much was donated with all of our excited students and preschoolers, but there is A LOT of useful items that no doubt will be greatly appreciated! \$375 was spent at Costco with the donations, and we had at least that much in items brought in by staff and students! RAIDERS ROCK! :) Thank you!!!"



FROM THE OFFICE OF:

ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL OF INSTRUCTION

Mr. Sean Byrne



American Law Students Study Supreme Court Case

Students from Ms. Block's American Law class attended the You(th) Decide forum for high school students in February. This program asks students from Chicago and the Metropolitan area to explore and deliberate on a pending case before the Supreme Court of the United States. You(th) Decide provides students with an opportunity to interact and discuss issues before the court with law students, law professors, and other legal experts. You(th) Decide is an opportunity for students from across the region to exchange ideas and discover common ground.

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 STUDENT SERVICES

Ms. Marina Kosak



Senior Events

I know so many of us are excited that spring is about here. It is also the time where we celebrate our seniors and recognize this special milestone. We have some great activities planned for them. All senior families should have received a letter from Principal Santee that outlined some of these special events.

Prom

We are excited to announce that our 2022 Prom, "Enchanted Forest" will be held on Friday, April 29th at the Chicago Cultural Center. Juniors and seniors are able to pick up the prom packets in the Hub. The packet contains all of the information needed. However, I would like to let you parents know that tickets will go on sale the week before spring break (3/21-3/25) for \$125 and the week after spring break (4/4-4/8) for \$130. All students are required to ride the chartered busses to prom, there are no exceptions. Busses will leave from Glenbard South at 5:45 and we estimate our return time to be approximately midnight. Students must be present at school on 4/29 through period 4 in order to attend that evening. Please have your student pick up the



packet with all the details as soon as possible as tickets will be sold on a first come first serve basis. We are looking forward to a fantastic evening!



LLWW: “Grow through what you go through”

We celebrated our annual “Live Life Well Week” the week of February 21st. This year’s theme was “Grow through what you go through”. Each day an activity was planned to help students in different areas to help them grow in different aspects. We had a Hot Chocolate for Charity event on Tuesday which raised \$200 for our Raider Family Fund. Other events included growing our Glenbard South vine in which students wrote personal growth statements and we ended the week with Fun Friday that demonstrated the importance of team work and learning from each other while having “fun”. Lunch time activities on Friday included ping-pong as well as bags. Our dance team was also on hand to help students learn some dances as well. Thank you to the GBS Dance Team for helping our students and staff learn the latest moves.

Congratulation to our Math Team

Congrats to the Glenbard South Math Team on a Second Place Finish in their Conference Meet last week! The team missed first place by a mere 6 points, but had several individual and group top finishes. Congratulations to our head Coach David Jodelka and the following students that represent our Math Team:

Freshman: Andrew Lullo, Grace Bittlingmaier, Abby Donaker, Jon Park, River Manov, Ella Pope

Sophomores: Aaron Berntsen, Emily Puchalski, Isha Shah, Lauren DeNardo, Lily Manzanero

Juniors: Andrew Park, Jack Bair, Samantha Lullo, Henry Lazzaro, Griffin Burke, Antonio Tapia, David Savenok, Ben Vogt, Bradley Heim, Abdullah Naeem, Jason Lo

Seniors: Thad Scharf, Arted Gjata, Emma Sampey, Colin Sampey, Gabby Michael



PBIS News

Congratulations to the following teacher for being nominated Raider staff member of the month!

Mr. Bledsoe

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

Phiness Kula, Brian Salgado, Angjelo Salca, Anna Cunningham, Julia Noak, Monica Clark, Amelia Paul, Ean Veneziano,

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

School Counselor Corner

College of DuPage Application Information

College of DuPage will be at Glenbard South on March 9th to conduct an application workshop with our seniors who still plan to apply. Here is a quick list of steps to apply from home:

[Copy of COD Application Steps 2021 \(2\)\(1\).pdf](#)

Deadline for the Engineering Pathways program is fast approaching on April 5th.

FAFSA required for seniors!

A non-academic **graduation requirement** for seniors this year is that you either need to file the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), or the Alternate Application for Illinois Financial Aid, or to submit a FAFSA Opt-Out Form to your counselor.

Parent Guide for College Admissions: Month by Month timeline Seniors:

[March](#) – If [waitlisted](#), help your child cope with this news by being proactive. They can email their admissions officer at the college to let them know they're still interested and would like to keep their place on the waitlist.

[April](#) – If your child is still undecided on where to attend, sneak in one last college visit to help them make their final choice. Give them the nudge to make summer plans if they haven't already. Some options include a part-time job, a [summer abroad](#), or volunteering.

[May](#) – May 1 is [National College Decision Day](#)! Your child needs to submit their decision by this date as well as their non-refundable deposit. If they change their mind over the summer or make it off the waitlist, they will lose this deposit – but it's worth it if your child has made a choice that will make them happier.

Juniors:

[March](#) – Give your child the goal of finding teachers, coaches, and mentors to write [letters of recommendation](#) before the month's end. It's also time to schedule spring and summer college visits!

[April](#) – Nail down summer plans. Here are a few options: a part-time job, summer camp, or volunteering. Summer experiences will look great on their college applications and give them some real-world experience to reference in essays or admissions interviews.

[May](#) – Start finalizing the college list. A helpful strategy is to narrow down schools into three categories: [reach, target, and safety schools](#).

Creative Writing Club

Poetry Slam

Calling all poets, performers, and anyone with a voice who wants to be heard! The Creative Writing Club will be hosting its first ever poetry slam open mic night on Friday, March 18th from 6-8pm in the Little Theatre. If you're interested in experiencing a night of great art from talented young writers and performers please join us! Admission and participation are FREE, but we will be accepting donations to fund the publication of student art in the literary magazine. Email Mr. Aye (michael_aye@glenbard.org) for details.



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TUESDAY, MARCH 8, 2022- 11AM TO 8PM



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Not valid with any coupons. GET SMASHED will donate 10% of your purchase to Glenbard South Booster Club.
Offer valid for Dine-in & Carryout. Please mention this fundraiser to one of our team members.

Glenbard Parent Series







Additional information and links to our virtual programs can be found on our web site: GlenbardGPS.org

UPCOMING EVENTS

	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 Anxiety Disorders and Other 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 Alumnae) Tuesday, March 22 at 7 pm	
	Community Read - Acts of Faith: The Story of an American Muslim, the Struggle for the Soul of a Generation Dr. Eboo Patel, Glenbard Alum, Founder & CEO of Interfaith Youth Core Wednesday, April 6 at 7 pm	
	New Science to Decode Teen Behaviors and Relationships Cara Natterson, M.D. Thursday, April 14 at noon & 7 pm	
	First Choice and Second Chance: Prioritizing Health and Self Alcohol Awareness Month Event, Community Conversation to follow Stephen Hill with Dr. Aaron Weaver & Dr. Douglas Boton Tuesday, April 19 at 7 pm	

B-PAC/GPS PROGRAMS IN SPANISH


	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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