

Glenbard South Principal Newsletter

November 16, 2022

Principal Message

Good afternoon, Raider Community,

On November 14th, the Glenbard District 87 School Day Committee presented a new school day schedule proposal to the Board of Education. I am looking forward to the many opportunities this schedule can bring to our school community. I will be leading information, question, and feedback sessions with staff, GBS community members and students over the next few weeks. All schools will be bringing this feedback back to our committee and Board of Education in the coming weeks. The earliest implementation of any schedule change will be for the 2023-24 school year.

The Glenbard South sessions will be:

- **GBS STAFF: November 15th** for a presentation, discussion and feedback.
- **GBS COMMUNITY MEMBERS:** All South families are welcome to attend on **Tuesday, November 29th** at 7 pm on Zoom ([ZOOM LINK HERE](#)). We will be presenting the information and then we will answer questions live from the Chat.
- **GBS STUDENTS:** Any student is welcome to attend a session during PLC time on **December 5th**.

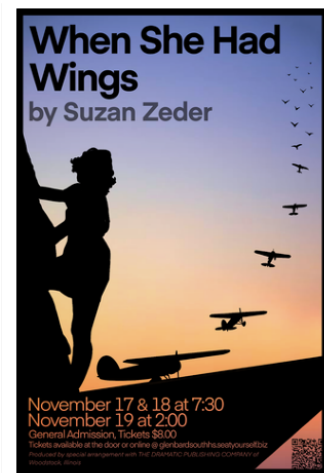
There will also be a district-wide webinar available to the entire community on December 7th at 7 pm. All of these sessions will cover the same information for our stakeholders.

I am looking forward to continuing on this journey together.

With Raider Pride,
Principal Santee

GBS Fall Play "When She Had Wings" happening this weekend!

Our second Fall play “When She Had Wings” by Suzan Zeder will take the stage this Thursday. This story follows the journey of a young girl named B who is desperately trying to remember how to fly before she turns 10. Our cast and crew are already working hard to make this magic come to life. “When She Had Wings” will perform on November 17 & 18 at 7:30 pm and 19 at 2:00 pm and is appropriate for ages 7 and up. Tickets are available for purchase with a credit card at <https://glenbardsouthhs.seatyourself.biz/>.



FROM THE OFFICE OF:

ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL OF STUDENT SERVICES

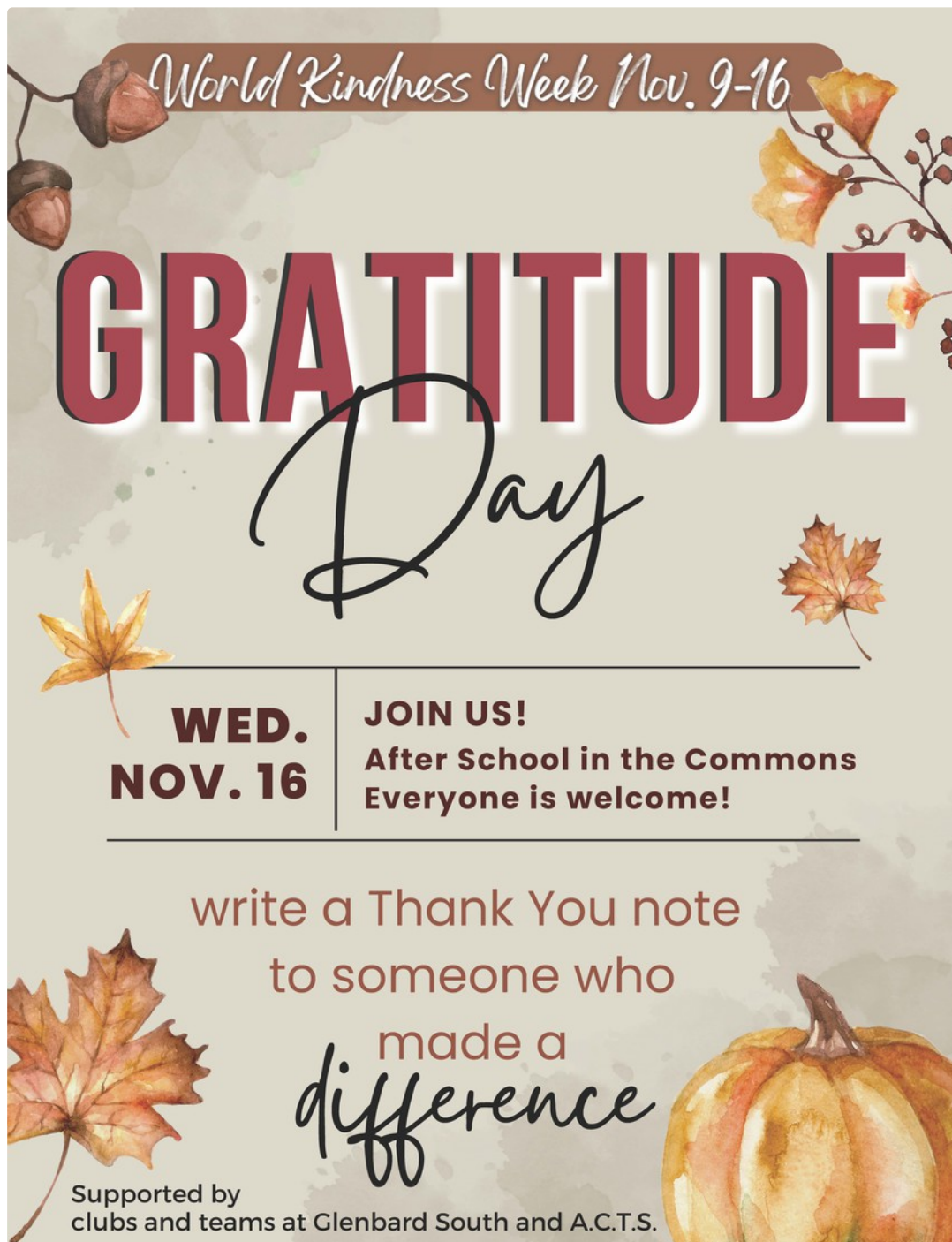
Ms. Marina Kosak

World Kindness Week

We will celebrate World Kindness Week Nov. 9-16, encouraging everyone to share a kindness with others and focus on the positivity that surrounds us. Even the smallest act of kindness can go a long way, and is a common thread that binds us all and builds connection.

Gratitude Day

Our annual Glenbard Gratitude Day will take place after school on Wednesday, Nov. 16, in the Commons. Parent volunteer members of the West Nation ACTS: Advocating Character Through Service Committee will supply the art supplies and pizza. This is a day to celebrate the impact of showing appreciation toward others. It affords us the opportunity to pause and recognize the transformative power gratitude has to energize individuals and positively influence physical and mental health. We encourage all of our students to attend our Gratitude Day on this day, it is a great way to say thank you to a staff member here at Glenbard South.



FINE ARTS NEWSLETTER

Hello from the Glenbard South Fine Arts Department!

We are starting a new tradition of sharing information and highlights about what we are up to in the world of fine arts through a quarterly newsletter! We plan on sharing this information digitally, to keep everyone apprised of the great work our students are doing at Glenbard South. Thank you for your continued support of the arts in our community. You can access our newsletter using this [LINK](#).

Sincerely,
Steve Govertsen
Orchestra Director/Fine Arts Department Chair

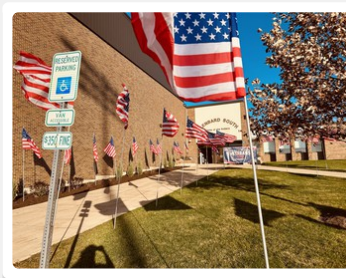
FROM THE OFFICE OF:

ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL OF CURRICULUM



Students, Staff to observe Veterans Day - November 11

Glenbard South celebrated Veterans Day and those who have served or are serving our country. Students, parents/guardians and staff were welcomed on campus to American flags lining the property. Each flag represents a veteran of a Glenbard South student, staff or community member. The flags were displayed courtesy of a Key Club service project. We had a ceremony to retire our current flags and raise a new state and American flag. In addition, the Glenbard South band performed at the Glen Ellyn Veterans Day service at Lake Ellyn.



Final Exam Schedule

The final exam schedule has been posted on our [school website](#). You can also access the schedule using this [LINK](#). Final exams are December 14 -16.

Student IDs

All students must carry a Glenbard South student ID from the current school year. If an ID has been lost, students can request a new one in the Raider HUB.



FROM THE OFFICE OF:

ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL OF INSTRUCTION

Mr. Sean Byrne

FREE SAT PREP for Glenbard Juniors

All Juniors at Glenbard South will take the School-day SAT on April 12, 2023. To help all students achieve their full potential, District 87 is offering a free SAT Prep course for all Glenbard Juniors. Scoring well on the SAT affords students with multiple post-secondary opportunities, including scholarships and admission to competitive colleges and universities.

The SAT Prep course is provided by Academic Approach, a leading test preparation provider. Participating students average a 90-100 point overall gain on their score. The class will run for 10 weeks. Students can choose in-person or fully virtual format.

A diagnostic test will be given after school on January 5, 2023. Classes will begin the week of January 23, 2023. In-person classes will meet on Tuesdays, 2:45 - 5:30pm. Virtual classes will meet on Tuesdays, 5:45 - 8:30pm.

Use [THIS LINK](#) to Register. Registration closes on December 1. Please contact sean_byrne@glenbard.org or jamie_wilson@glenbard.org with any questions.

PLEASE NOTE: April 12, 2023 is a non-attendance day for 9th, 10th, and 12th grade students.

Important Enrollment Dates for Current Glenbard South Students

- December 2 - Email sent home to all families with information about registration and course recommendations.
- December 5 - PowerSchool portal opens to parents and students. Also, AP and Dual Credit Information Night for Families (Zoom) at 6:30pm
- December 6 - Sophomore enrollment kickoff meetings during lunch periods. Students will bring home an enrollment sheet with specific course recommendations.
- December 7 - Freshmen enrollment kickoff meetings during lunch periods. Students will bring home an enrollment sheet with specific course recommendations.
- December 8 - Junior enrollment kickoff meetings during lunch periods. Students will bring home an enrollment sheet with specific course recommendations.
- December 12 - Enrollment sheets collected by 2nd period teachers.
- January 2 - PowerSchool portal closes for parents and students.
- January 9-31 - Students meet with counselors to review course requests.

School Counseling

Parent Meetings with Juniors and Counselors

Parents of juniors recently received a letter inviting them to meet with their student's school counselor. These *optional* meetings will focus on reviewing transcripts, checking credits and graduation requirements, discussing SAT testing, and post-secondary plans for your junior. If you would like to schedule a meeting with your student's school counselor, **please email Mrs. Duffy at michelle_duffy@glenbard.org for an appointment; please include your availability during the school day in your email.** She will be scheduling 30 minute appointments through November during regular school hours. These meetings will be conducted in person, or via Zoom or Google meets with the student in our office.

Superintendent Dr. Larson



Larson encourages students to explore dual credit course options

We have a long tradition of creating opportunity, access and a sense of belonging for students to experience early college coursework through Advanced Placement and dual credit classes.

Our strong partnership with the College of DuPage (C.O.D.) allows our students to take dual credit courses, taught by Glenbard teachers during the regular school day. These courses provide our students with the opportunity to earn three college credit hours per course at no cost to students or families.

Dual credit courses have many benefits for our students and families, including:

- Reduced college costs
- Expedited time to degree completion
- Easing the transition between high school and college
- Opportunities for improving degree attainment.

I encourage you and your student to contact your school counselor to explore opportunities to enroll in a dual credit class.

We envision our dual credit offerings in two important categories: college general education

opportunities for students to get a head start on college general education requirements.

1. English 1101: English Composition 1 (IAI C1 900)
2. English 1102: English Composition 2 (IAI C1 901R)
3. Speech 1101: Fundamentals of Speech Communications (IAI C2 900)
4. Math 1218: General Education Math (IAI M1 904)

Each of these courses is part of the Illinois Articulation Initiative (IAI), which means they are widely transferable for college credit among more than 100 participating colleges and universities in Illinois and beyond. I encourage students to talk with their counselor to see which dual credit options would be best for them.

In October, the Board of Education approved adding four capstone dual credit course experiences for our students. These courses allow students to dive deeply into a specific area that aligns with their postsecondary interests and earn college credit at the same time. These capstone courses will allow students to explore the fields of education and horticulture:

1. Intro to Education: Dual Credit 1100
2. School Procedures: Dual Credit 1101
3. Intro to Horticulture: Dual Credit 1100
4. Intro to Sustainable Urban Agriculture: Dual Credit 2300

I continue to be impressed with the students who have enrolled in dual credit classes, and I look forward to more students taking this opportunity to earn early college credit. We are committed to preparing students for success by exposing them to college-level coursework. I encourage you and your student to connect with your school counselor to discuss opportunities to enroll in a dual credit class.



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Join us at Portillo's for a fundraiser to support:

Glenbard South Boosters

When:	at the Portillo's located at:
December 8, 2022	1500 Butterfield Rd.
5:00 PM - 8:00 PM	Downers Grove, IL

20% of sales will benefit your organization. Order online or in app for pickup using code **PORTILLOS7** before checkout in the "Apply Offer" field, or show this flyer or a digital version to cashier when ordering at the restaurant. Valid on drive thru, pickup, curbside, and in restaurant orders.

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For online/app orders to qualify for the fundraiser, orders must be placed for pickup only, from the participating restaurant, on the fundraiser date and during the listed fundraiser hours. Gift card purchases, delivery orders, and orders placed on the third party websites are excluded from the fundraiser. Online ordering subject to availability. \$200 minimum fundraising sales required for the organization to receive donation. Cannot be combined with other offer codes.

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Glenbard South Booster Bucks Gift Card Program

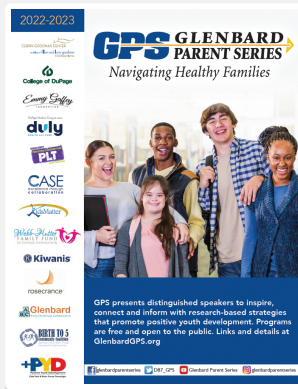
Shop for gift cards via the RaiseRight gift card program this holiday season and earn money for your favorite Glenbard South organizations. IT COULDN'T BE EASIER!

All you have to do is purchase gift cards from 750+ everyday brands (Target, Speedway, Panera, Starbucks, etc.), and earn 2-20% back to your GBS club or activity of choice.

YOU CAN DIRECT YOUR FUNDS TO MUSIC, CLUBS, SPORTS, ACADEMICS AND MORE!

For more information or to enroll today, please visit our Booster Bucks page at
<https://www.gsboosters.org/boosterbucks>

Glenbard Parent Series



Glenbard Parent Series

www.glenbardgps.org

Join other parents, high school and middle school students, and professionals to learn about issues facing today's youth. The Glenbard Parent Series engages top experts, parents and school staff to become proactive and informed in pursuit of the mutual goal to strengthen our communities. Programs are free and open to the public.

GPS GLENBARD PARENT SERIES Navigating Healthy Families



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

UPCOMING EVENTS



Dopamine Nation: Why We're Addicted, Finding Balance in the Age of Indulgence
Anna Lembke MD with Jessica Lahey
Wednesday, November 30 at noon



Growing Up with Chris Farley: Substance Misuse What Teens Should Know Now
Timothy W. Fong MD, Distinguished Glenbard Alum & Tom Farley
Wednesday, November 30 at 7pm
Hybrid Event: Zoom and at Glenbard West



Finding Your Future at College Night
Encuentra tu futuro en la noche universitaria
in English and Spanish
Distinguished Panel and Susanna Melon
Thursday, December 1 at 7pm



Zen Parenting: Caring for Ourselves and Our Children in an Unpredictable World
Cathy Cassani Adams
Tuesday, December 6 at noon & 7pm



Cultivating Genius and Joy: A Framework to Ensure All Children Thrive
Dr. Ghodiy Muhammad
Thursday, December 8 at 7pm



Wake Up Call: Drug Trends/Proactive Parenting Strategies & Dean Jeske: One Pill Can Kill, a Father's Story
Your Choice: Prevention Education with Dean Jeske
Tuesday, December 13 at 7pm



Toma de decisiones para mejorar los comportamientos saludables/Decision Making to Enhance Healthy Behaviors
Dr. Ferny Ramirez
in person at Glenbard North Library
Thursday, December 15 at 6pm



You Are Not a Bad Parent: How to Practice Self-Compassion and Give Yourself a Break
Dr. Carla Naumburg
Thursday, January 5 at noon & 7pm




The Varied Paths to 21st Century Careers
Distinguished Panel with Northwestern's Dr. Paul Corona, Mark Presnell and COD Dean Kris Fay
Tuesday, January 10, 2023 at 7pm







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