Glenbard South Principal Newsletter

December 6, 2022

Principal Message

Greetings Raider Families,

It is hard to believe we are coming to the end of semester one of this school year. I have the privilege of walking in and out of classes every day at Glenbard South. I am very proud of the authentic, deep learning experiences I see our students engaged in regularly: complex scientific labs, deep socratic seminar discussions, product design and creations, advanced coding, critical reading strategies and inquisitive questioning to fully understand new concepts are all moments I see regularly. All of these learning experiences will culminate with final exams—which are right around the corner. Mr. Byrne and Ms. Kosak have been sending out



studying tips and reminders on Schoology to our students and I know our teachers are doing the same in their classes. We want students to be successful. See below for more information on final exams.

On November 29th, we held a live webinar for the Glenbard South community to explain the School Day Proposal made to the Board of Education during the November 14th. <u>Click here</u> to watch the video. After viewing the video, feel free to provide feedback through <u>this form</u>.

We are looking forward to a festive December. Be sure to come enjoy the Holiday band concert this Thursday at 7:30 or Cocoa and Carols this Saturday morning. There are also several home sporting events happening at South this month. You can always access the schedule by visiting our Athletic page, here. Our administration will be handing out hot chocolate to all students on Tuesday morning, December 13th as well.

Please feel free to reach out with any questions, suggestions or concerns.

With Raider Pride, Principal Santee



FROM THE OFFICE OF:

ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL OF STUDENT SERVICES

Ms. Marina Kosak

Winter spirit week is here!

While finals are approaching we want to make sure that students are keeping a positive spirit, our Student Council is sponsoring our winter spirit week this week before exams. Our dress up days are sure to be a big hit!

Monday 12/5- Pajama Day
Tuesday 12/6- Raider Pride day (Home basketball game)
Wednesday 12/7- Heat wave vs. Cold wave
Thursday 12/8- Holiday character day
Friday 12/9- Flannel Friday

Mentor Day recap

Glenbard South and Glenbard West, in partnership with the Glen Ellyn Rotary Club, offered a job shadow opportunity for our Junior students on Thursday, November 3. A job shadow allows a student the chance to observe a professional on the job, giving them a real world glimpse into a profession. Job Shadows took place in the morning, with the luncheon after. Our students came away with some valuable knowledge of possible future professions and wonderful local contacts in their field. Thank you to our community members who gave their time to this wonderful tradition. And a special thank you to our College and Career Resource Coordinator, Ms. Anne Lange for her behind the scenes work here at Glenbard South to make sure our students had a successful day.

This year's participants for Mentor Day included: Sa'Naya Allen, Arreba Altaf, Beau Bixler, Danielle Bulthuis, Haylee Davis, Wardah Fazil, Lily Guetzow, Abbie Hendricksen, Naila Kudla, Michelle Marecki, Olivia Nita, Emma Pekkarinen, Lauren Price, Emily Puchalski, Dhruv Shah and Shel Shee. Thank you for representing Glenbard South in a positive way in our community.

Raider Class Act

Congratulations to our recipients of our first Raider Class Act awards for the 2022-23 school year. The Raider Class Act is awarded to the student(s) who are a positive force within the school community, students who demonstrate leadership, citizenship, personal growth or random acts of kindness. Students are nominated by staff members. Our first recipients for this year include: Matthew Slawinski, Jalen Brown, Moheeb Mahmood, Kayden Austin, Jacob Lichtenheld, Tres Moore, David Lawlor, Robert Gates, Victoria Behling, Bilal Sudhir, Lizzie Pekkarinen, Lily Guetzow and Zainab Talha. Way to go Raiders! Keep demonstrating that Raider Spirit and Raider Pride!

FROM THE OFFICE OF:

ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL OF OPERATION Mr. Taff Nielsen





Winter Weather

With colder weather on the horizon, the potential for slippery driving conditions will likely become a reality. Please remind our young drivers to give extra time to get to school safely for the start of the day.

Also, this is a good time to remind our community that when driving in a school zone, cell phones are not permitted at any time.

Finals and End of the Semester Information

FIRST SEMESTER FINAL EXAM SCHEDULE 2022-23

tline		7:35 - 9:00	9:00 - 9:10	9:10 - 10:35	10:35 - 10:45	10:45 - 12:10	12:20 - 1:20
	Day 1 Wednesday 12/14/22	Period 5 Exam	Break	Period 3 Exam	Break	Period 7 Exam	Resource Period
	Day 2 Thursday 12/15/22	Period 6 Exam	Break	Period 2 Exam	Break	Period 8 Exam	Resource Period
	Day 3 Friday 12/16/22	Period 4 Exam	Break	Period 1 Exam	Break	Rescheduled/ Make-up Exam & Zero Hour PE	Resource Period

BUS SCHEDULE FOR FINAL EXAMS

(There will be regular morning bus service on all exam days)

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	Regular Bus Depart	Activity Bus Depart	Athletic Bus Depart				
Day 1 Wednesday 12/14/22	12:20	1:30	3:45				
Day 2 Thursday 12/15/22	12:20	1:30	3:45				
Day 3 Friday 12/16/22	10:45	12:20	1:30				

Meal Service

The cafeteria will offer breakfast each morning before the first exam. There will be no student lunches served on exam days.

Exam Make-up

Students who have an excused absence from an exam may make arrangements with their teacher to make up the exam on Friday, December 16, during the Rescheduled/Make-up Exam session. Students may also arrange for teachers to make up exams during resource, at the discretion of the teacher.

Semester Graduates

December 13, 2022, is the last day for seniors who will be graduating at semester that DO NOT need to take any Final Exams. Classroom teachers are to provide written notification to the student and/or guardian no later than December 9, 2022, if an early graduate is required to take a final exam. All final exams will be taken during the regularly scheduled exam time.

Quiet Study Areas

Supervised quiet study areas will be available in the Commons and the LRC for those students who wish to study during the exams, when they have a free period. No students will be allowed in the halls without a pass during the exam periods. All students are to remain in their classes during the entire period.

Technology Center of DuPage

The last day for TCD for 1st semester is December 13, 2022.

8th Grade Visit

It was wonderful welcoming our incoming Raiders (Class of 2027) to the Annual 8th Grade Visit. Students toured Glenbard South and learned all about what Glenbard South has to offer! The next important dates to save are Future Freshman Night on January 11th, 2023 and Freshmen Enrollment Night on January 18th, 2023. There will be more information shared with





FROM THE OFFICE OF:
ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL OF INSTRUCTION
Mr. Sean Byrne

Advanced Placement and Dual Credit Informational Session

Families had the opportunity to learn about individual Advanced Placement and Dual Credit courses at Glenbard South during our Advanced Placement and Dual Credit Informational Session. A recording of our presentation can be found here. Please contact my office or your students' school counselor with any questions.

Elective Classes

All 9th, 10th and 11th grade students attended an Electives Presentation during the first period of their lunch on Thursday, December 1. Students heard about the elective opportunities in multiple departments. This video highlights many of the great elective classes offered here at Glenbard South. Please talk to your student's School Counselor during the enrollment process if you have any questions.

School Counseling

Enrollment Information For Next Year

An email will go out to families on Friday, December 2nd, listing all core class recommendations. Freshman, Sophomores and Juniors will receive individualized enrollment sheets with the same core course recommendations, along with PowerSchool instructions, during the week of December 5th. These enrollment sheets are to be used as a worksheet for students. Be sure to list electives and alternates to electives on these sheets.

Please note:

- Enrollment forms require parent signature and will be collected on Tuesday, December 13th, during 2nd period.
- The official course selection will actually occur in the electronic PowerSchool portal. Instructions
 to enroll in the Powerschool portal will be distributed to students. A link for a screencast guiding
 you through the Powerschool Portal to choose your student's classes for next year will also be
 made available.
- The Powerschool Portal opens on December 5th and will remain open until January 2th. This time window will allow students and families time to review these course selections over winter break.
- It is important to note that our course offerings are driven by your careful consideration of course selection. Counselors will partner with core classes and meet one-on-one with each student after winter break to review their selections. Students will be able to make corrections or changes at that time.
- Our Academic Program Guidebook is updated every year and a QR code on the enrollment forms
 will lead you to the most up to date version. It can also be found on our school website, under the
 Students tab or the Parents tab. When choosing your student's electives, please pay careful
 attention to our district graduation requirements. It is also important to make note of admission
 requirements to your student's first choice of a post secondary institution.

Thank you for your support during this enrollment process. Please feel free to contact your student's school counselor with any questions.

Technical Center of DuPage

Juniors and Seniors have the option of requesting a program at TCD as part of their elective choices for enrollment. Parents and interested students should go to www.tcdupage.org/Programs page to view current program descriptions and to watch current virtual tours on file. These videos will assist students in learning more about the programs at TCD and which programs they may like to explore during the 2023-2024 school year. Students may also like to view the TCD Introductory video, which you can find here: https://www.tcdupage.org//site/Default.aspx?PageID=1261. Please note TCd and TWO programs your student is interested in on their enrollment form. There is an additional online application required and space is limited. Please contact your student's school counselor with any questions.

On November 3rd, counselors took a group of interested sophomores and juniors to TCD to explore the programs they have available. For students who did not get a chance to attend the field trip and for parents that want to check out the facilities themselves, TCD is hosting an Open House on January 19th from 6:30-8pm. No RSVP necessary.

TCD OPEN HOUSE

CELEBRATING CAREER TECH EDUCATION



Thursday, January 19th, 2023 6:30 p.m - 8:00 p.m



301 South Swift Road Addison, IL 60101 For more information about our open house visit www.tcdupage.org

Or contact: Anthony Gliffe 630-691-7601 or at anthonyg@tcdupage.org

FAFSA required for seniors!

A non-academic <u>graduation requirement</u> for seniors this year is that you either need to file the <u>Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)</u>, or the <u>Alternate Application for Illinois Financial Aid</u>, or to submit a FAFSA <u>Non-participation form</u> to your counselor. Please note that if you fill out the Non-participation form, you can change your mind and apply for FAFSA later.

Our ISAC representative, Avalon Bruno, can help you file your FAFSA. There are appointments available to our students on most Thursdays. Parents may also meet with Avalon, and may contact Mrs. Duffy at 630-942-6648 or michelle_duffy@glenbard.org to schedule a Zoom meeting appointment if needed. You can also text ISAC College Q&A with questions about FAFSA, college, and more: (630) 216-4910. (Servicio en Español (773) 823-0570.)

Scholarship Information

The application for the <u>Ed Posh Scholarship</u> is now open and is due by January 31, 2023. A link is also available on Naviance as well as other scholarship opportunities. Check out the scholarship section in Naviance under the Colleges tab. Any questions please contact our school counselor who oversees scholarships, Mr. Hudgins at <u>nicholas_hudgins@glenbard.org</u>

Every year, 50+ local organizations provide scholarships for Glenbard South students. In order to be considered for all of these scholarships, <u>seniors only need to complete ONE application</u>. Glenbard South's Local Scholarship application will be live on Naviance starting Thursday, December 1st. The application is due in its entirety on Monday, January 16, 2023 at 11:59pm. Please find more information including directions and required forms <u>here</u>.

Tim Carlson
Assistant Principal of Athletics



Pack the Place

Be sure to join us on Friday, January 13th for our annual Pack the Place. We have a full schedule of events planned for that night. The schedule is listed below. Also, be sure to be there as we bring some old favorites back like Chuck a Duck, Dash For Cash and other fun games. There will be prizes. Put on your Red, White, and Blue and come out to support our Raiders in action for what is sure to be a great night.

5:30PM Wrestling vs Streamwood (Auditorium)

5:30PM Boys Sophomore Basketball vs Glenbard East (Fieldhouse)

5:30PM Girls Varsity Basketball vs Glenbard East (Raider Gym)

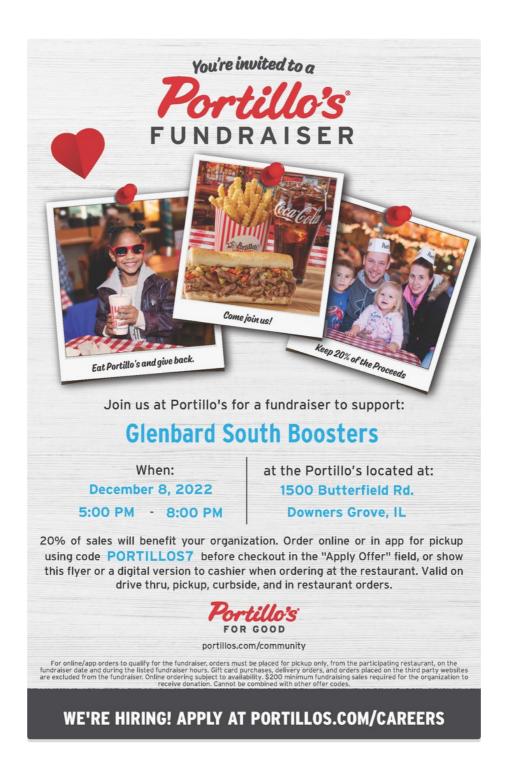
6:00PM Girls JV/V Gymnastics vs Geneseo

7:00PM Girls JV Basketball vs Glenbard East (Fieldhouse)

7:00PM Boys Varsity Basketball vs Glenbard East (Raider Gym)

Plus don't miss performances by the Raider Cheer and Dance teams and the musical stylings of the Raider Pep Band.





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

Raider Wear Holiday Flash Sale! New Raider Wear has arrived!

Check off some items from your holiday gift list by shopping our Holiday Flash Sale!

We have NEW flannel pants and joggers and some FUN holiday sleeping tees. Don't forget to grab the ultimate stocking stuffers ... Raiders socks or a Raiders fridge magnet.

ALL HOLIDAY FLASH SALE ITEMS ARE IN STOCK AND READY FOR PICK UP AT GLENBARD SOUTH ... IN TIME FOR THE HOLIDAYS

PICK UP DATE: WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 7th

LOCATION: GLENBARD SOUTH HIGH SCHOOL

TIMES: 3:00 - 5:00 PM AND 7:00 - 9:00 PM

Shop now at gsboosters.org/raiderwear-holiday-sale

HOLIDAY FLASH SALE!



- Glenbard South
- All items in stock
- Will have items before the holidays





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Glenbard Parent Series



Glenbard Parent Series

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.







Decode Their Behavior and Develop Their Trust

Thursday, February 23, 2023 at noon and 7pm







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