

Glenbard South Principal Newsletter

November 6, 2023



From the office of the Principal

Raider Families,

It is hard to believe that we are already a week into November and there are less than seven weeks left in the semester including final exams. There has been a great deal to celebrate this fall in the Raider Community. You will see many highlights listed below, as well as important upcoming events for our students.

On October 18th, we hosted the Illinois State Board of Education Board of Education meeting at Glenbard South. The State Superintendent, Dr. Tony Sanders, the State Board members, as well as political officials toured in groups into 36 classrooms around Glenbard South. They couldn't have spoken more highly



of the student engagement, instruction, and positive school culture they witnessed while here. It was truly my honor to be able to showcase the incredible school we foster together at South.

While we have much to celebrate in the Raider community, we recognize that conflict around the world can impact our students and families in our local community. I want to assure you that we are a school where we expect all students to be safe, experience a sense of belonging, and be empowered to learn and grow as an individual. I understand that we have many students that are impacted by the international conflicts occurring in the Middle East, both directly and indirectly. Please be sure to reach out to our Student Services Department or Administration with any concerns. **As always, we are a school for ALL students and ALL staff. We will continue to be intentional to take care of one another.**

We are looking forward to finishing the semester strong. Remember to encourage your student to sign up for Raider Hour ahead of time and to choose a session that leads them to success. Looking forward to seeing many of you at the Fall Play or other upcoming Winter sports events.

With Raider Pride,

Principal Santee



Thank you

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From the Office of:

Assistant Principal of Athletics
Mr. Tim Carlson



Fall Sports Highlights

We had a very successful fall season that culminated this past weekend. Each of our Raider teams gave us something to be proud of. Our students demonstrated teamwork, character, positive responses to adversity and a strong display of Raider pride.

Here are some highlights from the fall season:

Girls Cross Country: The girls cross country team qualified for the sectional meet after finishing in the Top 6 at the regional meet. Mary Kate Pinkelman qualified for the IHSA Class 2A State Meet this past weekend in Peoria.

Boys Cross Country: The boys cross country team captured the Upstate 8 Conference championship, the regional championship, the sectional championship and finished 2nd at the IHSA Class 2A State Meet. The second consecutive season that the Raiders ended up on the awards podium. Brothers Tim and Tom Jochum earned All State after placing 8th and 15th respectively at the state meet. The rest of the Raiders state roster included: Michael Bailey, Jaden Frederick, Lucas Galas, Gus Kling, Lucas Newman, Logan Price, Luke Van Tholen, and Ben Zima.

Football: The Raiders earned a share of the Upstate 8 Conference championship after finishing 8-1 during the regular season. It was the first conference title since 2014. The team qualified for the IHSA Class 5A State Playoffs for the 12th consecutive season including a first round victory.

Boys Golf: Ethan Noellsch and Nick Windeler qualified for the sectional meet after earning qualifying scores at the regional meet.

Girls Tennis: The girls tennis team won their 5th consecutive Upstate 8 Conference championship. In addition, the team captured their first sectional championship since 1986. We had 3 students qualify for the IHSA Class A State Meet: Lorenza FosterSimbulan (Singles), Allie Mizwicki (Doubles), and Emily Puchalski (Doubles)

Girls Volleyball: The girls volleyball team won the regional championship in an exciting match in Raider Gym over Hinsdale South. It was the first regional championship since 2016. The team advanced to the sectional championship where they fell in a hard fought 3 set match to St. Laurence.

The next edition of E-news we will post the student-athletes who earned all conference accolades during the season. Congratulations RAIDERS!





FROM THE OFFICE OF:

ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL OF OPERATION

Mr. Taff Nielsen

Semester 1 Important Dates

Click [HERE](#) for important dates to save in your calendar.

Veterans Day

Glenbard South will once again honor our Veterans on Veterans Day with United States Flags displayed around our school property. The flags are dedicated by our community members with the name and branch of service of a family member. Please be sure to take the time to see the beautiful display on November 11th. We will also have a short video shown during Raider Hour to all students to honor our veterans.

FirstView Bus Tracking System

As the weather gets colder, it is a good time to remind families that Glenbard South has implemented **FirstView**, a First Student bus tracking and communication app for your smartphone or desktop. **FirstView** allows our students and families the ability to know where their First Student bus is before school and after school. You may register at any time. Use this [LINK](#) to learn more.

Tree Donation

Thank you to the Class of 2023 who donated an Autumn Blaze Maple tree as their class gift. The tree was recently planted in front of the Glenbard South Main Entrance and is a beautiful addition to our school.



FROM THE OFFICE OF:

ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL OF INSTRUCTION

Mr. Sean Byrne



IMPORTANT ENROLLMENT DATES for Current Glenbard South Students

- Friday, December 1, 2023
 - Emails will be sent home to all families with information about registration and course recommendations.
 - All students will receive an enrollment form and view instructional video during Raider Hour. Elective video shown and discussed.
- Monday, December 4, 2023
 - PowerSchool portal will open for families and students.
 - AP and Dual Credit Information Night for Families (Zoom) at 6:30pm
- Tuesday, December 12, 2023 - Enrollment sheets will be collected by 2nd period teachers.
- Monday, January 8, 2024 - PowerSchool portal will close for parents and students.
- January 9-31, 2024 - Students meet with counselors to review course requests

PSAT/NMSQT Scores

The College Board will begin releasing scores for the PSAT/NMSQT in early November. Students and families can use the following resources to access scores in the K-12 Assessment Reporting portal:

- [How to access student PSAT Score Reports](#)
- [Understanding your digital score report \(video\)](#)

SPRING TESTING DAYS

- **April 10, 2024:** All Juniors at Glenbard South will take the School-day SAT with Essay. This exam will be administered digitally, on student iPads.
 - This is a non-attendance day for 9th, 10th, and 12th grade students.
- **April 11, 2024:** All 9th and 10th grade students at Glenbard South will take the PSAT. This exam will be administered digitally, on student iPads.
 - This is a non-attendance day for 11th, and 12th grade students.
- **May 6-10 and May 13-17:** AP Exams administered at Glenbard South

- Each exam is administered on a different day, based on a schedule set by the College Board. Please see [this link](#) for specific dates for each exam.



FROM THE OFFICE OF:

ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL OF STUDENT SERVICES

Ms. Marina Kosak

World Kindness Week/Gratitude Day

We will celebrate World Kindness Week Nov. 13-19, 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.

As part of this week we will celebrate Gratitude Day on Wednesday, November 15th after school 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.



Fall Play

Our drama students are coming off a successful production of, "Rainbow Fish". They performed 3 shows in September. They brought audiences of all ages together as they told the story of Rainbow Fish, their life in the reef and the importance of sharing.

Now you can join Glenbard South High School for "**The Trojan Women**" adapted by Ellen McLaughlin, from the original text by Euripides. Performances will be **November 16-18** at 7:30pm. This show contains themes geared toward older audiences and is not appropriate for children.

"The Trojan Women" by Ellen McLaughlin, a modern adaptation of Euripides' classic Greek tragedy, unfolds amidst the grim ruins of a war-torn world. In this desolate landscape, the surviving Trojan women, including the resolute Hecuba, grapple with grief, loss, and the impending doom of enslavement at the hands of the victorious Greek soldiers. Through poetic and searing dialogue, McLaughlin's adaptation weaves themes of fate, power, and the human cost of war into a poignant narrative that delves deep into the harsh realities of a world on the brink of collapse. This powerful

play remains a poignant and thought-provoking piece of theater that resonates with contemporary audiences as we reflect on our own tumultuous times.

“The Trojan Women” will be presented in the Glenbard South Theatre located at 23W200 Butterfield Road in Glen Ellyn. All seats are \$10 general admission. Tickets online in advance at <https://glenbardsouthhs.seatyourself.biz/> or at the door. Cash/check will be accepted at the door. Credit card purchases must be made in advance via the website; online/credit card sales close six hours before each show. Please note that theatrical haze will be used in this production.

THE TROJAN WOMEN

A drama adapted by Ellen McLaughlin
from the play by Euripedes

November 16, 17 & 18, 2023, 7:30PM
Glenbard South Theatre
All seats \$10.00, General Admission

This show contains adult themes and is not appropriate for younger audiences.
Produced by special arrangement with Playscripts, Inc.
www.playscripts.com



Fall Fine Arts Newsletter

Click [Here](#) to view Fall Fine Arts Newsletter



Exciting news to share from the Art Department: Junior Artists participate and are honored in a live Illustration Challenge!

[ArtConnectED](#) is an art teacher powered organization that has grown in scale and impact. To kick off the 2023 season, Junior artists *Mikey Alam* & *Zoe Price* represented South in a "Throwdown" Illustration challenge. The Art Throwdown is a live, fast-paced, head-to-head, interscholastic Visual Arts competition where top students across the area are given a timed Art Challenge.

Artists were faced with a 90 minute hands-on and visually creative challenge via Zoom where they were commissioned to create an album cover for an up-and-coming K Pop Band through an Illustrative lens. We are so proud of both artists for sharing their talent and embracing a truly unique format. You can watch Zoe & Mikey along with other uber talented high school artists rise to the challenge in the playback [here!](#)

After 45 top entries, 2,000+ votes, and 2 professional artist judges: We are elated to announce that *Mikey Alam's* original artwork was awarded **2nd Place** in this intense competition! Be on the lookout for what Mikey will do next as he pursues his work in an AP Drawing Portfolio across the year, and plans for his 2D Design portfolio as a Senior!



2nd Place **Mikey Alam** Glenbard South High School @m.ikeymelll

Senior families invited to workshop to prepare for FAFSA

Glenbard District 87 will hold a virtual FSA ID workshop at 6 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 15. The FSA ID is the first step in completing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid-FAFSA (but not needed for the Illinois Alternative Application), and is the creation of a username and password. The FAFSA (or the Illinois Alternative Application) is an Illinois graduation requirement for all seniors. The new and revised FAFSA opens in December 2023. Please go to this [Zoom link](#) at 6 p.m. Nov. 15. For more information, families may reach out to their senior's school counselor if they have any questions.

Culinary and Hospitality Field Trip

Seven students from Glenbard South toured the College of DuPage's Culinary and Hospitality Department. The students were given aprons (that they were able to keep), matched with a current culinary student, and set to work in the kitchen preparing the meal options for the Waterleaf Restaurant. They chopped and sauteed vegetables, made sauces, and helped plate the food. They were even able to taste what they made. The food they prepared was served in the Waterleaf Restaurant on October 12th. Special guests included NBC's The Food Guy, who was filming a segment that aired the following week. The students were very excited to know the food they prepared would be featured on television.



Upcoming Technical Center of Dupage (TCD) Field Trip

Sophomores and Juniors who are thinking of attending Technical Center of Dupage while at Glenbard South have an opportunity to visit the TCD on November 30th. Time and space is limited! Have your sophomore or junior pick up a field trip permission form from the school counseling office today! Please watch [this short video](#) if you want to know what TCD is and what it can offer your student.

College of DuPage (COD) Application Workshop

Seniors who plan to apply to COD are invited to attend an application workshop on Tuesday, November 14th, during all lunch periods and PLC, with a representative from COD at South. Please email your student's school counselor if you would like to make sure your student gets a pass to this important event. COD is waiving the \$20 application fee for the 2023-24 academic year. The Fall 2024 promo code for the \$20 waiver is 2023HSW.

Junior Parents

Parents of juniors received an email 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. There is still time to schedule a meeting with your child's school counselor, **please email Mrs. Duffy at michelle_duffy@glenbard.org for an appointment; please include your availability for the meeting in your email.** She will be scheduling 30 minute appointments during the months of November and December, before winter break, during regular school hours. These meetings can take place either in person or virtual.

Junior Journey

Counselors will be presenting important information to the junior class by last name during Raider Hour Student Agency Days on the dates listed below. Juniors are required to attend these mandatory and important meetings.

Attention Freshmen!

Counselors are looking forward to working with freshmen during agency days mid to late November. We will be assigning our freshmen for our curriculum that we call Freshmen Focus. Counselors will be introducing students to Schoollinks. Schoollinks is a web based program used to explore careers, research colleges and universities, and help students learn about themselves! Students will begin exploring careers using an interest inventory and will use what they learn about their interests to choose classes for next year and the following years!

College of DuPage Open House

Fall Open House

Saturday, Nov. 11, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Physical Education Center (PEC)

Discover why College of DuPage is the best place to start your college journey. Students and their families will have an opportunity to explore academic programs, meet with faculty and attend an information session.

Highlights

- Meet with an Admissions and Outreach team member.
- Talk to our expert faculty from various disciplines.
- Explore clubs and organizations.
- Attend an Information Session in English or Spanish.

For more information
or to RSVP

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Questions?


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(630) 942-2626

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For ADA accommodations, please email access@cod.edu with the event title in the subject line and your accommodation request. Please email two weeks in advance.



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Glenbard Parent Series

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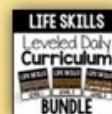
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UPCOMING EVENTS



Can't Do or Won't Do? Executive Functioning Skill Building to Solve Behavior Challenges

Sasha Long
 Wednesday, November 1 at noon and 7pm



The Power of Mindfulness to Increase Calm and Joy in Young Children

Early Childhood Event
 Shauna Shapiro, PhD
 Thursday, November 2 at noon and 7 pm



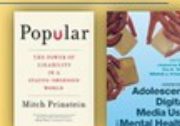
Congratulations, You're Having a Teen!: The Guidebook You Always Wanted!

Special two hour event
 Ken Ginsburg, MD
 Thursday, November 9 at noon and 7pm



Update on Social Media and Teen Mental Health

Mitch Prinstein PhD and Eva Telzer PhD
 Tuesday, November 14 at noon and 7 pm



Consejos de comunicación para hablar con los adolescentes/Communication Tips for Talking to Teens

BPAC event presented in Spanish only
 Dr. Ferney Ramirez
 Thursday, November 16 at 6pm in person at Glenbard East



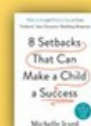
Under the Influence: Addressing Vaping, Alcohol and Cannabis

Film Screening with Dr. Timothy Fong
 Wednesday, November 29, zoom at noon and 7pm
 Hybrid Event at COD at 11am and Glenbard South at 6pm



8 Failures/Setbacks That Can Make a Child a Success

Michelle Icard
 Tuesday, December 5 at noon and 7 pm



First a Dream: Find Your Future at College Night/Primero un sueño: Encuentra tu futuro en la Noche Universitaria

Special FUSE event in English; BPAC event in Spanish
 Timothy Fields, Susanna Melon and Distinguished Panel
 Thursday, December 7 at 7pm




Boosters

The purpose of the GBS Boosters is to encourage and promote all extracurricular activities at Glenbard South. GBS Boosters supports music, arts, academics (scholarships), and after-school clubs in addition to athletics.

GBS Boosters raise money through membership fees, donations, concessions, Raider Wear sales, and social events throughout the year. All GBS families, alumni, teachers, staff members, and members of the community are invited to become part of the Boosters.

Please consider becoming a Glenbard South Booster. Click on the link below for more information.



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www.gsboosters.org

We invite all community members, alumni, parents, and faculty to join the Glenbard South Boosters.



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Fall Social
BINGO NIGHT

SATURDAY
11-11-2023

7:00-10:00 PM
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