

# Glencoe Elementary School

## Weekly Newsletter

### February 28, 2025

#### UPCOMING EVENTS - check website for full month

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Time</u>
Friday, 02/28/2025	After-School - Lego Explorers After-School - Portland Kelly Cadets Baton	2:30pm - 4:00pm 2:30pm - 3:10pm
Sunday, 03/02/2025	<b>OBOB Elimination Battle</b>	12:00pm - 2:30pm
<b>Monday, 03/03/2025</b>	<b>NO SCHOOL</b> - Teacher Planning Day	
Tuesday, 03/04/2025	After-School - Yoga Playgrounds After-School - Portland First Film School	2:30pm - 3:30pm 2:30pm - 4:00pm
Wednesday, 03/05/2025	<b>Sibling Storytime</b> After-School - Circus Arts After-School - Coding	8:10am - 8:45am 2:30pm - 4:00pm 2:30pm - 3:30pm
Thursday, 03/06/2025	<b>MESD Vision/Hearing Retest K,1,3</b> After-School - Adventures in Spanish After-School - Skyhawks Basketball <b>PTA Meeting</b>	8:30am - 12:00pm 2:30-3:30pm/3:45-4:30pm 2:30pm - 3:45pm 6:00pm - 7:30pm
Friday, 03/07/2025	After-School - Lego Explorers After-School - Portland Kelly Cadets Baton	2:30pm - 4:00pm 2:30pm - 3:10pm
<b>Sunday, 03/09/2025</b>	<b>Daylight Savings Time Begins</b> (Don't forget to set your clocks ahead)	

#### MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Glencoe Community,

The weather this week has thrown us for a loop! We went from a torrential downpour on Monday to beautiful, sunny weather on Friday. I know I misjudged the weather and temperature a few times myself this week. Please make sure your student(s) are dressed for success and outdoor recess. We are hopeful that warmer and sunnier weather is on the way, but we will surely still see some rain.

I am excited to share the pictures from the PPS Communications team that they posted to their Facebook page earlier this week from our 100th Day of school "Glencoe Cares Day." The Superintendent was originally scheduled to join us during our "flop 'n read" to celebrate Literacy in Action when the event was on February 14, but unfortunately she couldn't make it during our rescheduled time.



I wish you all a wonderful weekend, and we look forward to seeing you on Tuesday!

In appreciation,  
Katie

### Added School Days

Due to the inclement weather days we had on February 13 and 14, the last day of school has been adjusted to two days later to Thursday, June 12.



### PTA NEWS

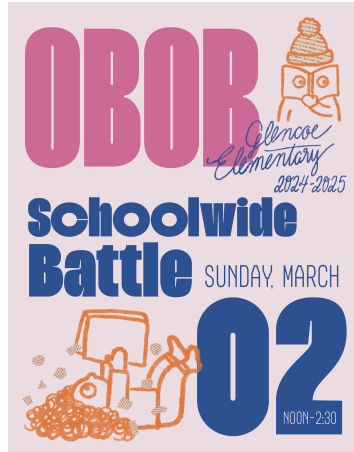
Volunteer Opportunities @ Glencoe

Volunteers are vital to strengthening our school community!

- **March Safety Patrol:** Our 5th grade safety patrollers need your help during the month of March. Afternoons are almost full for March already, but we need a lot of help with mornings, starting this next week. [Sign up here](#).
- **Volunteer at Buy Nothing Live** on Wed March 12. [Sign up here](#), event details are below.

### **OBOB Final Battle – Sunday March 2**

Join us for the school wide OBOB battle **this Sunday, March 2nd, from noon to 2:30pm!** All students are welcome and encouraged to come and cheer their classmates on. **At noon, there will be a group photo of all the OBOB teams** (not just the final battle teams) and after the final battle, there will be **hot chocolate and donuts for all!**



The eight teams battling on 3/2 are *The Intergalactic Sushi Cats*, *The Page Turning Puffins*, *Goat Crushers*, *Rare Beauty Readers*, *The Name of This Team is Secret*, *Reputation Readers*, *The No-Namers*, and *The Sporty Ducks*.

### **(Un)Talent Show Auditions – Tues and Wed, March 4 and 5 at Lunch/Recess**

Interested kids need to bring their lunches and a completed [audition form](#) (sent home this week on yellow paper) to the playcourt during lunch/recess on March 4 or 5. Students should be prepared to audition in front of others and each act should be limited to *2 minutes per person* in the act. **And save the date for the (Un)Talent Show on March 20 at 6pm!**



### **PTA Meeting – Thurs. March 6**

Join us for our next **General PTA Meeting on March 6 at 6pm in the cafeteria**. All are welcome. We will have light snacks; sorry, no childcare for this month's meeting.

## **Buy Nothing Live – Wed. March 12**

Glencoe Buy Nothing Live, an evening of giving and receiving, is happening on **March 12 from 5:30-7pm!** Please bring items for any age that are clean, in good working order and in good condition. No need to bring anything to participate! There are often lots of great leftover items that get donated at the end of the night. [If you are interested in volunteering please sign up on Konstella.](#)



## **After School Enrichment Activities for Spring**

### **Yoga Playgrounds at Glencoe**

Registration is open for the spring term of Yoga Playgrounds at Glencoe. Yoga is on Tuesdays from 2:30-3:30 for grades K-5 beginning on April 8. Learn more and register [HERE](#).



after school at  
Glencoe  
Spring 2025



In these fun and active classes kids will stretch and energize their bodies and minds through individual and group poses, mindfulness games, and creative relaxation techniques. Packed with playfulness, positivity and fun, these classes give kids the tools they need to manage their behaviors to lead happier, healthier and more peaceful lives.

- Improve focus and concentration
- Develop strength and coordination
- Increase confidence and self-esteem
- Learn self-calming techniques
- Get a healthy body and mind
- Have fun!

REGISTER ONLINE!  
yogaplaygrounds.com

WHO: Grades K-5  
WHERE: Glencoe Elementary  
DATES: April 8 - June 3  
DAY&TIME: Tuesdays 2:30-3:30  
COST: \$210 (9 classes)  
INFO: [hello@yogaplaygrounds.com](mailto:hello@yogaplaygrounds.com)  
503-607-9720



JOIN US FOR SUMMER CAMP



## **Drama Club at Glencoe – Spring Registration now open!**

Join Portland Drama Club for their Spring production and drama class! This program is open to any student at Glencoe in grades 2-5. Rehearsals are Mondays and Tuesdays from **2:30-5pm** from March 31-June 2, with an evening musical production at Glencoe on June 2. You can find more information and register [HERE](#).





## **Runner 2 Runner Track Clinic at Cleveland High**

Howard Lao, Track & Field Coach at Cleveland High School is holding a Track & Field clinic. "This is a good way for our high schools to be a role model for the youth, while giving the opportunity for elementary school athletes a chance to run. All skill levels welcomed. We will RUN - JUMP - THROW thru all the track events." [Check out their site](#) for more details.

### Runner2Runner

**Run Jump Throw with Runner2Runner!**

*Give Your Child the Opportunity to Run, Jump, and Throw!*

Our Run Jump Throw Program is perfect for young athletes looking to develop new skills and have fun! With age-appropriate running, jumping, and throwing activities, your child will be challenged in an encouraging environment while building confidence and new friendships.

*Sign up today for a safe, fun, and rewarding experience that will spark your child's lifelong love of fitness and track and field!*

Runner2Runner.org

**Dates:** April 1st - May 9th  
**Days:** Tuesday & Friday  
**Time:** 5:30-6:30 PACIFIC  
**Location:** Cleveland High School  
 3459 SE 31st Ave, Portland, OR 97202

Contact: Howard@Runner2Runner.org

**Quick Links:** [PTA Website](#), [Facebook](#), [MemberHub](#)

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **LOST AND FOUND - SMALL ITEMS**

I have an overflowing collection of small lost and found items such as jewelry, small toys, keys, glasses, watches, etc. at my desk in the office. If your child is missing something, please check in with me (Chris Anderson.) I may just have it in my collection!

### **LATINE STUDENT UNION & MULTIRACIAL STUDENT UNION (4TH & 5TH GRDS)**

This week 4th and 4th graders learned about two new racial affinity groups starting at Glencoe: The Multiracial Student Union (MRSU) and the Latine Student Union (LSU). These student groups are open to any 4th or 5th grader that identifies as Biracial/Multiracial and/or Hispanic/Latino. The MRSU will take place on Fridays during lunch. The LSU will occur on Tuesdays during lunch (beginning March 4). Student racial affinity groups can offer a safe space for students to explore and celebrate their racial identities and also increase their sense of belonging. As one 4th grader shared, "Affinity groups can let students know they are not alone."

Facilitated by Holly Wilson (Latina and Biracial), Instructional Coach at Glencoe. Questions? Please email Holly at [hwilson@pps.net](mailto:hwilson@pps.net).

## STUDENT EXCHANGE PROGRAM

Exchange students around the world have already been accepted for the 2025-2026 school year, and are anxiously waiting to see their American dream come true. Whether your family loves sports or arts, is always on the move or enjoys quiet time at home, we know there is an exchange student that will fit right into your life, home, and heart. If you are intrigued by the prospect of hosting an exchange student and wish to learn more about this enriching experience, click the link for more info: [Student Exchange Program Info](#).

## MESSAGE FROM THE GLENCOE LIBRARIAN

The Glencoe library is thrilled to welcome the author of the Mr. Wolf's Class series (and former Glencoe teacher), Aron Nels Steinke, on March 7th for an interactive presentation with several of our 3rd-5th grade classes. We'll engage in an author study to prepare and there's bound to be plenty of enthusiasm for reading his new middle grade graphic novel, Speechless. You can help us bring this inspiring opportunity to our community by [pre-ordering](#) an autographed copy for your student (or the library)! Follow these links to [learn more about the visit](#) and [watch the book trailer for Speechless](#).

Aubrey Pagenstecher  
Teacher Librarian

## MUSIC



4th Grade Families: Students may use this [link](#) to access online resources for Link Up: The Orchestra Rocks.

## TAG



The Single Subject Acceleration application process opened March 1st. Please visit the district website for more information about the process.

## LGBTQ+ SUPPORT

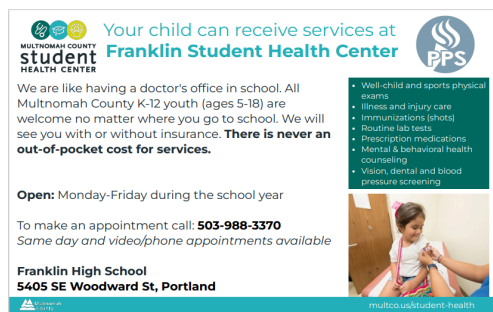
Are you a parent or caregiver wanting to learn more about supporting a young person in your life who is or could be LGBTQ+ identified? If so, this **updated guide** is for you: [LGBTQ+ Caregiver Guide \(English\)](#) [LGBTQ+ Caregiver Guide \(Spanish\)](#)

## IMPORTANT HEALTH AND SAFETY REMINDERS FOR WINTER AT PPS

At Portland Public Schools (PPS), the well-being of our students and staff are always our top priority. During the winter months, we often see an increase in illness, and we want to remind you of how we manage illness and work to prevent the spread of contagious diseases to keep everyone safe and healthy. Please see this [PPS Health/Safety Info](#) for current health/safety protocols.

## **FRANKLIN STUDENT HEALTH CENTER**

All Multnomah County K-12 youth (ages 5-18) are welcome at the Franklin Student Health Center no matter where you go to school. We will see you with or without insurance. There is never an out-of-pocket cost for services. Call for Appointments: 503-988-3370.



## **PROGRAM FLIERS** *Highlighted items are new*

### **Camps, Classes, & After School Programs:**

- VIBE PDX [Spring Break & Summer Art & Music Camps](#) (Mar. 3, Mar. 24-28, Jun. 16 - Aug. 29)
- USTA Spring [Tennis Afterschool Zone at Maplewood](#) (Apr. 8 - May 13)
- VIBE PDX [No-School Youth Sewing Classes](#) (Feb. 17, Mar. 3, Mar. 24-28)
- Cognizart [31st Annual Young Artists Debut! Concert & Showcase](#) (apply by Feb. 24 – Deadline extended again)
- VIBE of Portland [Music & Digital Art Classes for Kids](#)
- Portland Parks & Rec: [Teen Force at SW Community Center](#)

### **Summer Camps:**

- VIBE PDX [East Winds Band Camp](#) (Jul. 21-25, 2025, recorded audition due Jul. 10)
- Cognizart [360Arts Summer Camps](#) (Jul. 7-11, 14-18, & 21-25)
- OSU [Summer Reading Program](#) (Jun. 14 - Aug. 16)

### **Preschool Programs:**

- Multnomah Early Childhood Program [Peer Preschool Classes](#) ([Spanish](#)) ([Vietnamese](#)) ([Chinese](#)) ([Russian](#)) ([Somali](#)) ([Korean](#)) ([Arabic](#)) ([Persian](#))
- Portland Parks [Preschool 2024-25](#)

### **Community Events & Information:**

- Multnomah County [Common Application](#)
- City of Portland [311 Non-Emergency Hotline](#) ([Spanish](#)) ([Vietnamese](#)) ([Chinese](#)) ([Russian](#)) ([Somali](#))

### **Vaccinations, Health & Wellness:**

- Multnomah County Student Health Center [Immunization Catch-Up Reminder](#)
- [Oregon Health Plan & Oregon Health Insurance Marketplace](#)
- Multnomah County Free Community Vaccination Clinic (Tuesdays, Thursdays, Fridays) ([English](#)) ([Spanish](#)) ([Vietnamese](#)) ([Chinese](#)) ([Russian](#)) ([Somali](#))
- Multnomah County Student Health Centers (*fliers in English, Russian, Chinese, and Vietnamese*):
  - o [Cleveland HS](#)
  - o [Franklin HS](#)
  - o [Jefferson HS](#)

- o [McDaniel HS](#)
- o [Roosevelt HS](#)