

# Glencoe Elementary School

## Weekly Newsletter

### November 17, 2023

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

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Time</u>
Monday, 11/20/2023	<b>NO SCHOOL (Conferences Cancelled)</b>	
Tuesday, 11/21/2023	<b>NO SCHOOL (Conferences Cancelled)</b>	
Wednesday, 11/22/2023	<b>NO SCHOOL</b>	
Thursday, 11/23/2023	<b>NO SCHOOL (Thanksgiving)</b>	
Friday, 11/24/2023	<b>NO SCHOOL</b>	

#### MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Glencoe Families,

I want to start by saying how grateful I am for the solidarity of this community. Your messages of support to me, the school, and the teachers are what makes Glencoe such a great place to be!

Today marks day 12 of the PAT strike, and the third week that students are out of school. As time wears on, I have shifted my thinking from lamenting the missed time (though I still do) to proactively planning for our return to school. In keeping community at the center of it all, I want to be intentional about how we come back together to capitalize on the relationship building we spent time on this fall. My goal is to create a space for teachers and students to process what happened with an emphasis on moving forward together as an even stronger community than before. I will continue to work on how reentry will look until we get the good news that school will recommence!

As you read in Dr. Franco's email yesterday afternoon, family-teacher conferences will be canceled next week. They will be rescheduled for later in the year, and there will be more communication about that, and report cards, as the timeline is solidified. Due to the short week next week, I plan to send the next family newsletter update on Friday, December 1. Of course if there is anything important to be communicated before then, I will be in touch. I hope to see you all in person soon! Enjoy this beautiful weather!

With gratitude,  
Katie

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **PTA NEWS**

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

### **GLENCOE READ-A-THON**

Dive into the boundless world of stories with Glencoe Elementary's Read-a-Thon this November! Each student will receive a tally sheet to keep track of the books they delve into; these sheets will be returned to the teachers at month's end to tally the collective reading achievement. We understand that sheets might get misplaced; worry not, a best estimate of books read will suffice. Sponsoring this literary voyage is easy—donations can be made through the provided link (<https://app.99pledges.com/fund/glencoereadathon2023>) or by dropping off cash or checks at the Glencoe Office. Please make checks payable to "The Fund for PPS" with "Glencoe Foundation" noted in the memo line. Your support transforms every page turned into resources for our children. Happy reading! [Readathon Flyer.pdf](#) [Readathon Tracker.pdf](#)

### **LOST AND FOUND**

The four lost & found racks are full! We would love to reunite items with owners. Labels help a lot with this. If your student's item is labeled, we return them to their classrooms periodically. Please encourage your student to look at the racks for missing items. You are welcome to come into the building and take a look as well. If you can't make it, please email and we will take a look. Items left over 4 months may be donated to the PPS PTA Clothing Center.

### **TAG**



TAG Information can be found [HERE](#).

### **OBOB (Oregon Battle of the Books)**

**OBOB** (Oregon Battle of the Books) - Registration is open! Is your 3rd/4th/5th grader planning to participate in OBOB this year? If so, please complete [this form](#) by next Friday, November 10th. If you want more info, here's a link to the parents info session slides [OBOB Parent info slides 23-24](#). More info on timeline and links to questions at [OBOB at Glencoe](#). Other questions, please email OBOB parent coordinator, Isabel Johnson, at [johnson.isabel@gmail.com](mailto:johnson.isabel@gmail.com).

### **FAMILIES CAN NOW ENROLL IN 2024 HEALTH COVERAGE**

Individuals and families have a time-limited opportunity to enroll in, renew, or change their health insurance plan for 2024. Oregon's health insurance open enrollment period is Nov. 1, 2023 through Jan. 15, 2024. Open enrollment is the only time when anyone who is not offered coverage from a job or a public program like the Oregon Health Plan or Medicare can enroll in health coverage through OregonHealthCare.gov, often with financial help. [Health Coverage Enrollment](#).

### **HOYT ARBORETUM: Fall Into Science Program**

Fun science activities for kids at Hoyt Arboretum during Thanksgiving week. See the newsletter for more information. [Hoyt Arboretum](#)

## **Where Families Can Find COVID-19 and Flu Vaccines for Students**

Please see the attached letter about where families can find 2023-2024 COVID-19 and flu vaccines for their students. [More Information](#)

## **STUDENT HEALTH CENTER**

REMINDER Franklin High School has a Student Health Center that is available to all K-12 PPS students. Student Health Centers are like having a doctor's office at school. Students can get regular or sports physicals, school immunizations, mental health services, COVID-19 vaccinations and testing, prescription medication refills, and lots of other health services. There are no out-of-pocket costs. The following links describe how students can access their closest [MCHD Student Health Center](#) and the [Benson Wellness Center at Marshall](#).

## **PROGRAM FLYERS**

**Camps, Classes, After School:** (New items highlighted)

OSU [Summer Reading Program](#)

VIBE of Portland [Art Camps & Classes](#)

AFS-USA Student Exchange Programs ([Flier 1](#)) ([Flier 2](#))

**Preschool Programs:**

PPS Pre-Kindergarten ([Flyer](#)) ([Lawn Sign](#))

Multnomah Early Childhood Program [Preschool Classes, 2023-24](#)

Portland Parks & Recreation [Preschool 2023-2024](#)

**Community Events & Information:**

PPS [Supplemental Transportation Plan](#), Phase I Schools Flier

City of Portland [311 Non-Emergency Hotline](#)

([Spanish](#)) ([Vietnamese](#)) ([Chinese](#)) ([Russian](#)) ([Somali](#))

**Vaccinations, Health & Wellness:**

Oregon Health Insurance Marketplace [Open Enrollment begins Nov. 1](#)

Multnomah County Student Health Centers

[Cleveland HS](#)

[Franklin HS](#)

[Jefferson HS](#)

[McDaniel HS](#)

[Roosevelt HS](#)

Multnomah County [Free Community Vaccination Clinic](#) ([Spanish](#))

Kaiser Permanente CASCADIA COVID-19 screening study ([English](#))

([Spanish](#)) ([Somali](#)) ([Vietnamese](#))