

Glencoe Elementary School

Weekly Newsletter

October 1, 2021

UPCOMING DATES

Date	Event	Time
Monday, Oct. 4th	PTA Meeting: See Meeting link in PTA section below.	7pm
Thursday, Oct. 7th	Spirit Day: Rainbow Day - see grade level colors below TAG Parent Night - for those wanting to nominate their child for TAG testing.	All Day 5:30 - 6:00
Friday, October 8th	NO SCHOOL - Statewide Inservice Day	

NEWS FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Glencoe Families,

Happy Friday! We have had a busy week at Glencoe. There is so much learning going on in our classrooms, the energy is contagious. Students are working on building their reading stamina and developing personal narratives in language arts (2nd & 3rd grade), comparing numbers in the hundred thousands (4th grade), learning a new Glencoe song in music (5th grade), and building their foundational skills with letter sounds/blends (Kinder & 1st), just to name a few. I know students were learning and participating in similar activities last year but this year, we actually get to see it in action. I sure missed that!

This week our students also filled the Gull Gallery with so many tickets that they earned a school wide Otter Pop treat today. Classes were able to enjoy their earned treat outside before or after lunch. There are so many Gull Tickets in our Gull Gallery that they are already on their way to the next earned reward. This coming Thursday, is our first Spirit Day which is RAINBOW DAY. Each grade level dresses in an assigned color. We invite students to wear one article of clothing in their grade level color. They can also make a whole outfit out of it. Here are the grade level colors: **Kinder - Purple, 1st Grade - Blue, 2nd Grade - Green, 3rd Grade - Yellow, 4th grade - Orange, 5th Grade - Red.**

I want to thank the families who donated clothes for our health room. We have a number of bags of clothes we need to go through. If we find that we are in need of certain items, I will let you know in next week's newsletter.

We have received our first large batch of authorization forms for the weekly COVID testing. This is an optional opportunity for families and it has "open enrollment" which means you can register your child at any time. At this time, approximately 50% of our families are opting into this program. If you are interested in the next steps, please see further details listed after the body of this newsletter.

It is really important that we have each student/family's most current contact information. To review the contact information we have on file, you will need to verify this through the district system called Parent Vue. If you just registered at Glencoe THIS FALL, then we most likely have your current information. However, we would like you to double check in case we made a mistake when inputting your information. Please follow these steps:

- Click [Parent Vue link](#).
- If you are using the app on your phone, go to the app and click "OLR" tab.
- Log in. If you cannot log in, click on "forgot password" and it will send you an email to login.
- Click on your tab in top right corner, "online registration, yearly verification"
- It will take you to a drop down menu. Choose "2021-22 yearly verification"
- Click Begin new student registration or yearly verification". At this point it will walk you through each item to verify/change.

Last but not least, I am sure you have all seen the community letter that was emailed to you today regarding a positive COVID case at Glencoe. I want you to know I hear and understand your concerns about the lack of specificity of the form letter. In situations like this, we typically want more information. This is one of those situations where I am asked to follow a specific process and protocol to also protect the individual(s) and families who are directly impacted by a positive case. If we identify the classroom(s) and only one or two students in that classroom are absent, then we have inadvertently provided confidential information to others. I understand that some students/families would be comfortable sharing that information with others. However, there are other students and families who do not want their personal information shared and worry that they will be treated differently if this information is shared. I wish I could do more to ease our concerns but know that we are doing all we can to keep students safe and cared for while at school.

Best,

Lori Clark, Glencoe Principal

BELOW YOU WILL FIND ADDITIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS



TAG

We have our ANNUAL Parent TAG Information Night NEXT Thursday. This is a 30-minute meeting where you can learn about TAG in PPS and Glencoe. It's designed to give you an overview of the program and deadlines. If you would like to join this Virtual Event please use the information to log in next Thursday night. I will open the link about 5 minutes early to get people in before our 5:30 start time. This information will also be available on our [Glencoe TAG Website](#). - Lisa Davidson, Glencoe TAG Facilitator

Parent TAG Information Night

Thursday, October 7 - 5:30 – 6:00pm

Google Meet joining info

Video call link: <https://meet.google.com/nqf-acxc-nih>

Or dial: (US) +1 402-356-1214 PIN: 847 167 084#

More phone numbers: <https://tel.meet/nqf-acxc-nih?pin=6118601393510>

PTA NEWS

Look for the paper flyer coming home soon about the PTA.

Mark your calendar for 7pm on October 4! All families and staff members are welcome to join us for the first PTA meeting of the year. Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83260666740?pwd=MXEwaVV3ZXpiQXZ6QXJlL0tsUFdQZz09>

Meeting ID: 832 6066 6740 Passcode: 450143

Join the PTA by paying your \$15 membership fee online: <https://glencoe.memberhub.com/store>.

Please contact Mackenzie (mackenzieweintraub@gmail.com) for membership scholarships.

COVID-19 TESTING OPT-IN PROGRAM

- We have submitted our first batch of authorization forms to OHSU.
- OHSU will process the forms, let us know the date Glencoe will be able to start and deliver the needed supplies to us. This is most likely two weeks away.
- Once we begin, test kits will be delivered to Glencoe on Mondays. We will then distribute the test kit with student name labels to classrooms.
- Teacher will direct students to put them into their backpacks and deliver them to the adult in their home that will help them administer the test. **Test kits will come home on Mondays.**
- If we have enough kits delivered we may be able to send 2 kits (per student) at a time

- Students bring back the test kit on Tuesday. We collect and store properly. An OHSU courier picks up the kits between 10 and 4pm on Tuesday.
- If a student misses their collection day, OHSU will not be picking up on another day. The student misses that week and can resume the following week.