

Glencoe Elementary School

Weekly Newsletter

October 22, 2021

UPCOMING EVENTS

Date	Event	Time
Monday, 10/18/2021	COVID Test Kits distributed (find in student's backpack)	
Tuesday, 10/19/2021	Return COVID sample (student takes to classroom for morning collection)	Arrival Time

NEWS FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Glencoe Families,

Late October greetings as the leaves turn, the weather cools, the rain comes and the season of calendar interruptions creep in. We are seven full weeks into this school year and valuing everyday with our Glencoe Gulls.

Today our 3rd - 5th grade students received their new district chromebooks. Each student was assigned a new device that they will be responsible for this year. Once we have a few backup/loaner devices on site, our students will take their device to and from school most days with the expectation that they charge it at home every night. This is so the device can be readily used in school each day. If your child does not regularly carry a backpack, I strongly recommend you establish that routine so they have a safe way for their device to travel. We will be reviewing digital citizenship with our students and this is probably a good time for me to remind families of some helpful tips and digital citizenship resources.

- Students should be using these devices only for school related work. Once school related work is completed, the device should be plugged in to charge and be off limits.
- Devices should be thought of like a school supply. If they are not utilizing it for their schoolwork or learning directly tied to their classroom, it should be charging or stored in their backpack.
- Create a media agreement with your child. This [example from Common Sense Media](#) is a useful starting point. A media agreement can have more impact when children contribute their own ideas.
- Families should provide oversight when their children are on a device.
- Familiarize yourself with any sites or apps your child is using. Periodically check your child's browser history.
- When students are using their device, it is best to remain in the same room with them.
- Encourage your child to balance their screen time and green time, and encourage offline interests. Limit the amount of time on the device.

No matter the age/grade level of your child, I invite you to visit [Common Sense Media](#). This resource helps families rate movies, TV shows, books, apps and more so the adults can feel good about the media and technology choices they make for their kids. Although something may sound child appropriate, I would recommend you check it out at Common Sense Media before allowing your child to view it.

Glencoe families are beginning to receive results from the initial batch of OHSU COVID tests. Although kits are picked up from Glencoe on Tuesday, they are most likely not being processed until Wednesday. As the program states, results should be delivered to families within 48 hours. For Glencoe, that means families are most likely getting their results on Thursday afternoon (at the earliest) or Friday. Kits will go home again on Monday for another round of testing.

Take Care and enjoy your weekend.

Best,

Lori Clark, Glencoe Principal

BELOW YOU WILL FIND ADDITIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

[OBOB \(OREGON BATTLE OF THE BOOKS\)](#)

[OBOB](#) is back for the 2021 - 2022 year! OBOB will be run by volunteers and we have at least one volunteer interested in running the program. We need at least one more person to help run OBOB this year. The main time commitment will be helping run the twice weekly practice sessions during recess in January and February. Please contact Isabel Johnson johnson.isabel@gmail.com if you are interested in helping out. We are registering for OBOB by the end of this month. More info to follow.