

Glencoe Elementary School

Weekly Newsletter

March 17, 2023

UPCOMING EVENTS - check website for full month

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Time</u>
Friday, 03/17/2023	 St. Patrick's Day  After-School Baton	2:15pm - 3:00pm
Monday, 03/20/2023	 Spring Begins  After-School - Imagine This PDX Art	2:15pm - 3:15pm
Tuesday, 03/21/2023	After-School Basketball K-2 Art Infusion Training	2:15 pm - 3:30pm 6:30pm - 8:00pm
Wednesday, 03/22/2023	Vision & Hearing Screenings After-School - Circus Arts	2:15pm - 4:00pm
Thursday, 03/23/2023	After-School - Spanish After-School Basketball 3-5	2:15pm - 3:15pm 2:15 pm - 3:30pm
Friday, 03/24/2023	SPIRIT DAY - "Best of Oregon" After-School Baton	2:15pm - 3:00pm
Monday, 03/27/2023 - Friday, 03/31/2023	SPRING BREAK - No School 	

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Come show off your Glencoe spirit by wearing something that shows what makes Oregon so great! Maybe it's a sports team that you love (the Blazers, the Thorns, the Pickles) or maybe it's being so close to a mountain or the beach. Whatever makes you love living in Oregon, show it off on our **SPIRIT DAY - Friday, March 24th!**

PPS has added one day to the end of the school year to make up for lost instructional time during the snow days in February. **The last day of school for students will now be Wednesday, June 14th.**

Upcoming Coffee with the Principal dates:

April 19 @ 8:00am

May 24 @ 8:00am

PTA NEWS

Plant Sale!

Glencoe's Plant Sale Fundraiser is back! Hanging baskets, planters, and starts for your vegetable and flower gardens are available on [Memberhub](#).

- Order by noon on April 5th. Plants will be delivered to Glencoe on Friday, April 28th for pick up after school.
- Funds raised will go in the general PTA fund, which provides teacher supply stipends and other supports for our school community.

Spring After-School Activities at Glencoe

The new [spring yoga class](#) on Mondays needs more students in order to run. It is now open to all Glencoe students, K-5, thanks to parent feedback. Learn more about it and other spring after-school activities at www.glencoeelementarypta.com/after-school.

Kindergarten Registration—Spread The Word!

It's time to register incoming kindergarteners! Please help spread the word. Feel free to share [this flier](#) with potential incoming families or direct them to the [PTA website](#) for more information about kindergarten at Glencoe.

Connect to Kindergarten Events:

April 12 @ 7:00pm - virtual presentation for adults only

May 11 @ 4:30pm - in-person event for kids & families



Glencoe is like having another family.
—Glencoe student

2023-2024

It's time to register for kindergarten at Glencoe!

Glencoe is an inclusive community that cares, collaborates, and perseveres.

- Experienced and committed staff—average 15 years teaching at Glencoe
- Well-above average state test scores
- Daily social-emotional learning lessons focused on mindfulness, coping strategies, self-care and wellness, and community-building.
- Many opportunities for family involvement and fun events

Learn more at glencoeelementarypta.com/kindergarten

PTA Board Recruitment for 2023-24

Are you interested in getting involved at Glencoe by serving on the Glencoe PTA Board, or do you know someone who might be? **Fill out the [board interest and nomination form!](#)**

- **The following positions will be open:** President, Vice President, Secretary, Community Engagement Chair, Membership Chair, Volunteer Chair, and Fundraising Events Chair
- **Optional Board Q&A meeting:** April 17 at 7pm on [Zoom](#)
- **Elections:** May 8 PTA meeting
- **Questions?** Email glencoeelementarypta@gmail.com

Recording of School Funding and Foundations Guest Presentation

Guest speakers Beth Cavanaugh and Suzanne Clarke of Reform PPS Funding spoke at this week's PTA meeting. They were invited to share what is being proposed and discussed at the PPS School Board regarding changes to the foundation system, and how various changes could impact Glencoe. A recording of the presentation, which was adapted specifically for Glencoe's unique funding situation, is [available for the Glencoe community to view here](#). Questions about the presentation can be directed to reformfundingpps@gmail.com.

Quick Links: [Donate to the playground](#), [PTA Website](#), [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), [MemberHub](#), [Email](#)

FOUNDATION NEWS

GROW GLENCOE AUCTION

Bid winners, please pick up your items in the Glencoe office.

Sara Weith - Foundation Chair, is stepping down as her family has moved out of the Glencoe district. It is time for someone else to step in. Being the chair of the Foundation is hard work, but worth it to help the school keep needed staff.

If you are interested in helping with this transition please reach out to glencoe.elementary.auction@gmail.com

Most everything is set up and ready for the next person to take over and Sara is happy to help as much as she can.

Whether or not you agree with the Foundation- our school NEEDS staffing support. Without the money raised through the Foundation our school will lose CRITICAL staffing and the most underserved population of our school will continue to struggle.

ADDITIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

HEALTH ROOM CLOTHING

We are in need of clothing for the health room:

Boys & Girls all sizes (esp small) stretchy bottoms

Boys underwear size small

5th GRADE YEARBOOKS

Greetings 5th Grade Families!

Our yearbook committee is hard at work. Thanks to all who have sent in photos! Keep them coming. Please get all your photos in by March 31st

Refined instructions:

- Preferred: groups of students
- Where: at a school activity and on school grounds, such as during class, in art infusion, at recess, Run4Arts, Storybook Parade, Safety Patrol, on field trips, doing after-school activities.
- Please **RENAME** each photo with the grade, kids' names & activity. Examples: Levi, Walter, Lucas 2nd recess. 5th Ginny, Lance, George - art infusion. If the photo was taken from your phone, you may have to download them to a computer, right click 'rename' and change the name.
- **THEN**, either open the [shared google drive](#) and drop your pics into the appropriate folder or email to glencoeclassof23@gmail.com

Payments

The yearbook is not funded by the school or PTA. We are responsible for raising all the money. We appreciate your help!

Please go to <https://glencoe.memberhub.com/store> to donate whatever you are able, keeping in mind that each book costs around \$25.

Please consider contributing more to fund those who need financial support. If you want more than one, please contribute more and let us know so we can order more.

All kids will receive one, regardless of ability to pay.

Paying online is preferred, but we can also accept checks (made out to Mia Birk) or cash dropped off at the office in an envelope marked **yearbook**. You can also Venmo \$ to Mia-Birk.

Library Help Found!

Thanks so very much for stepping up and offering your time and energy to the sweet Glencoe Library. It looks like we will have enough help to get to the end of the school year. YAY!!

With appreciation, Diane

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 guide is for you: [English](#) or [Spanish](#).

PARENT FOCUS GROUP NIGHT TO REVIEW LGBTQ+ PARENT SUPPORT GUIDE

A parent focus group night is being planned to review a new resource for PPS families on the topic of parents and caregivers supporting their LGBTQ+ children. All who attend will receive a prize. Please see [the flier](#) for more info. Lyss Linares, SAY Wellness LGBTQIA2S+ Program Coordinator, alinares@pps.net



TAG

Please visit our website for TAG updates: [TAG Website](#).

ELD COMMUNITY CURRICULUM REVIEW

Students, families, and community members, you have the opportunity to help review and provide feedback on our field testing ELD curriculum outlined on [this flier](#). Mary Wiener, Adoption Manager, mwiener@pps.net

No-Cost Health Care for Your Student at Franklin High School!

The Franklin Student Health Center, located at Franklin High School ([5405 SE Woodward St](#)), is open to *all* Franklin K-8 feeder school families, including yours. We're like having a doctor's office in school. Services include well child exams, COVID-19 vaccines and boosters, flu shots and school immunizations, prescription medications and lab tests, as well as mental health counseling. All services are provided with no co-pay or out-of-pocket costs, and we will see you with or without insurance. Your student doesn't have to attend Franklin High School to receive these services. We see all Multnomah County youth ages 5-18, regardless of immigration status. And free interpretation services are available. To schedule an appointment call 503-988-3370.

- Hours: Monday-Tuesday, Thursday-Friday, 7:45am-3:45pm, Wednesdays, 9:15am-5:15pm
- For more, visit multco.us/student-health
- Download the Student Health Center flier here: [English/Spanish](#)

PUBLIC ALERTS ENROLLMENT

Please take a moment to sign up for [PublicAlerts](#). PublicAlerts is an opt-in alerting system for the Portland Metro Region run by Portland Bureau of Emergency Management (PBEM). The different types of alerts received could include hazard information relative to wildfire, earthquakes, winter weather, power outages, flooding, infectious disease, and other hazards which may impact our community. Alerts can go out via text message, phone call (cell or landline), and email. Use of this tool can help to empower you to take action and get lifesaving information in emergency situations. Preparedness is everyone's responsibility. [Please enroll](#) in this service today!

Glencoe Bike Bus/Bike Train for Earth Day

Glencoe families are organizing a [bike bus](#) to encourage children to bike to school. Studies show that the benefits of active transport are [varied](#) and [significant](#), positively impacting [physical health](#), mental focus, reducing stress, and [improving community safety](#) and [individual and group wellbeing](#).

The inaugural trip will be Friday, April 21, 2023, the day before Earth Day. The goal is to make it at least a weekly event. Riders of all abilities are encouraged to participate. Anyone who doesn't have a bike, or isn't able to ride, can reach out to the bike bus for assistance.

More details about time and location will be provided in April. Please email glencoebikebus@gmail.com to sign up for updates or to help coordinate.

VOLUNTEERING AT GLENCOE

With field trips and other volunteer opportunities coming up, it is a good time to make sure your PPS Volunteer Registration is current. Volunteer approvals only last for 3 years so many parents' volunteer registrations have expired. You must have a current registration, background check and Covid vaccine certificate before you can volunteer. You can register at this link: [PPS Volunteer](#).

GET CONNECTED TO HOME INTERNET

The Affordable Connectivity Program provides eligible households with \$30 per month toward

high-speed home internet service, making some plans FREE! The ACP benefit can be applied to a new or existing internet plan.

Households are eligible for the ACP benefit when a student within that household qualifies for free or reduced-price meals under the National School Lunch Program (NSLP) or the School Breakfast Program (SBP). If your student participates in one of these programs, contact PPS Nutrition Services nutritionservices@pps.net to obtain an ACP Eligibility Letter.

WHAT IF YOUR STUDENT DOESN'T PARTICIPATE IN A FREE OR REDUCED-PRICE MEAL PROGRAM?

There are a number of ways for households to qualify for the ACP benefit, including a household income below 200% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines or current participation in another government assistance program such as SNAP, Medicaid, or Federal Public Housing Assistance. Visit GetACP.org <https://www.getacp.org> to see if your household qualifies, learn what documents you will need to apply, and connect to home internet plans that are free with the ACP. It takes about 5 minutes and requires you to answer a few simple questions.

SAFEOREGON PROGRAM

Since September 2017, Portland Public Schools has been encouraging its community to utilize the SafeOregon tip line to report unsafe situations including threats of violence, fights, drugs and alcohol, weapons, bullying, harassment, intimidation, or self-harm. All tips reported through SafeOregon are immediately routed to a tip line technician 24/7.

SafeOregon was funded by the Oregon Legislature as part of a statewide effort to improve school safety. The tip line provides a secure means for a person to anonymously report suspicious or imminently unsafe situations.

Anyone, from students to parents to community members, can access the system in a variety of ways, including:

- The “Report unsafe behavior” button found on every PPS school’s website
- The [SafeOregon website](#)
- A live call/text (844-472-3367)
- An email to tip@safeoregon.com
- The mobile app that can be downloaded from your smartphone via [iTunes](#) or [GooglePlay](#)

SafeOregon Brochures:

[SafeOregon – English](#); [SafeOregon – Spanish](#); [SafeOregon – Vietnamese](#);
[SafeOregon – Chinese](#); [SafeOregon – Russian](#); [SafeOregon – Somali](#)

PROGRAM FLYERS

Vibe of Portland [Spring Break Camp](#)

Vibe of Portland [East Winds Summer Band Camp](#)

Vibe of Portland [Music Classes](#)

Vibe of Portland [Studio Classes](#)

Vibe of Portland [2022-23 Art Camps & Classes](#)

Oregon State University [Summer Reading Program 2023](#)

Kaiser Permanente CASCADIA COVID-19 screening study:

[\(English\)](#) [\(Spanish\)](#) [\(Vietnamese\)](#)

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

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

Multnomah County Student Health Centers: Catch up on School Vaccines Now!

[\(English & Spanish\)](#)

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

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

Multnomah Early Child Program [Preschool Classes](#)

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