

# Glencoe Elementary School

## Weekly Newsletter

### March 24, 2023

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

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Time</u>
Monday, 03/27/2023 - Friday, 03/21/2023	<b>NO SCHOOL</b> <b>Spring Break</b>	
Monday, 04/03/2023	After-School - Imagine This PDX Art	2:15pm - 3:15pm
Tuesday, 04/04/2023	After-School Basketball K-2	2:15 pm - 3:30pm
Wednesday, 04/05/2023	After-School - Circus Arts	2:15pm - 4:00pm
Thursday, 04/06/2023	After-School - Spanish After-School Basketball 3-5	2:15pm - 3:15pm 2:15 pm - 3:30pm
Friday, 04/07/2023	End of 3rd Quarter Popcorn Friday After-School Baton	2:15pm - 2:40pm 2:15pm - 3:00pm
Monday, 04/10/2023	<b>NO SCHOOL</b> <b>Teacher Planning Day</b>	

#### PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Glencoe Community,

We've had another exciting week here at Glencoe. As I write this, I'm listening to Ms. Roberts's 3rd grade class do a scavenger hunt to learn about the solar system. Our 4th grade classes lucked out with beautiful weather for a trip to Bonneville Dam on Wednesday, and then we were surprised with more snow today at recess!

I hope your family is able to get rest and spend time with each other over spring break. We look forward to welcoming students back on April 3. Thank you for all you do to make our school a special place.

Warmly,  
Sarah Waltrip

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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**

### **Advocate for State Funding**

We know our schools need more funding and here's how you can help. At 8:00am this coming Monday, 3/27, there is a public hearing in Salem on HB 5015, The State School Fund bill. **This is the bill that will allocate the bulk of school funding for the next two years.**

So how can you help?

1. You can provide testimony, either in person or in writing. PPS has put together a great [HB 5015: The State School Fund Bill](#) testimony toolkit which includes a helpful tutorial. Written testimony needs to be provided by next Wednesday, 3/29, at 8am.
2. If you don't have time this week, the Joint Ways and Means Committee Co-Chairs are holding a listening session on 4/8 at 10am at PCC Sylvania in the PAC Auditorium. The link to sign up to testify will be available in the next week on the [Ways and Means Committee's OLIS page](#).

Thank you for your efforts, Glencoe community!

### **Kindergarten Sibling Enrollment**

Glencoe families, please take a moment to complete the [school registration form](#) for your soon-to-be kindergarteners as soon as possible. Even if you need more time to complete the other parts of the registration process, this will help our school gather an accurate count for class size and staffing needs. See more information [here](#). Thank you!

### **Kindergarten Registration—Spread The Word!**

Thank you to all families for helping to **spread the word to your neighbors** that it's time to register for kindergarten. You can help by sharing [this flier](#) and directing potential incoming families to the [PTA website](#) for more information about kindergarten at Glencoe.

### **Plant Sale**

Glencoe's Plant Sale Fundraiser is back! View options for veggies and flowers and place orders on [Memberhub](#).

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

### **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](#)** or [email](#) the current board with any questions.

- **Optional board Q&A meeting** on April 17 at 7pm on [Zoom](#).
- **Elections** will happen at the May 8 PTA meeting.

## Spring After-School Activities at Glencoe

The new [spring yoga class](#) on Mondays needs a few more students in order to run. All grades welcome. Learn more at [www.glencoeelementarypta.com/after-school](http://www.glencoeelementarypta.com/after-school).

### One With Heart Aftercare Option

Glencoe families have another option for aftercare next year! The [One With Heart program](#) will pick up after-school at Glencoe and take students to their location on Hawthorne. Contact One With Heart directly for more information.

## Spring Clean-Up Save The Date

The Glencoe PTA is working to organize a spring grounds clean-up event. More information will follow, but we are looking at Saturday, April 29, 9am-noon. Save the date!

Have a fun and safe Spring Break, Glencoe families!

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

## FOUNDATION NEWS

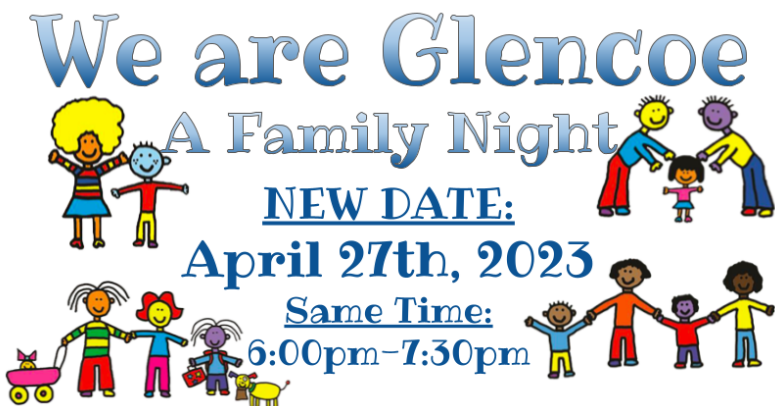
Sara Weith - Foundation Chair, has stepped down as her family has moved out of the Glencoe district.

**It is time for someone else to step in. Without the money raised through the Foundation our school will lose CRITICAL staffing.**

**If you are interested, please reach out to [glencoe.elementary.auction@gmail.com](mailto:glencoe.elementary.auction@gmail.com)**

## ADDITIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

### NEW DATE FOR GLENCOE FAMILY NIGHT



For more information, see flier: [Glencoe Family Night](#).

### 360 ARTS CAMP

For 29 years, Cognizart by MetroArts Inc. 360 Arts Camp has given kids a chance to be immersed in visual arts, music, theater, and dance Monday through Friday. This is 360 Arts Education! <https://www.metroartsinc.org/kids-camp>. We believe in the vital importance of arts education! No child should be turned away from arts education due to a family's ability to pay.

We offer 20-90% scholarships based on camper loads and funds availability. See Flier for more information [360 Arts Camp Flier](#).

## 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 31<sup>st</sup>

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 2<sup>nd</sup> recess. 5<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto: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.

## 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](#).



## TAG

The last of the TAG testing for this school year will happen on April 11, 12 & 13.

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

## **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](#).

## **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](mailto:glencoebikebus@gmail.com) to sign up for updates or to help coordinate.

## **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](http://multco.us/student-health)
- Download the Student Health Center flier here: [English/Spanish](#)

## **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](mailto: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](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](mailto: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](#)

## **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!

## **PROGRAM FLYERS**

Vibe of Portland [Spring Break Camp](#)

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

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

Vibe of Portland [Music Classes](#)

Vibe of Portland [Studio 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](#)**