

Glencoe Elementary School

Weekly Newsletter

May 26, 2023

UPCOMING EVENTS - check website for full month

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Time</u>
Friday, 05/26/2023	SPRIT DAY - Storybook Parade After-School - Baton	9:00am 2:15pm - 3:00pm
Monday, 05/29/2023	NO SCHOOL - Memorial Day	
Tuesday, 05/30/2023	After-School - Basketball K-2	2:15 pm - 3:30pm
Wednesday, 05/31/2023	After-School - Circus Arts (Playcourt)	2:15pm - 4:00pm
Thursday, 06/01/2023	Field Day Grade 3-5 Field Day Grade K-2 After-School - Spanish After-School - Basketball 3-5 (Outside)	9:00am - 10:00am 12:45pm - 1:45pm 2:15pm - 3:15pm 2:15pm - 3:30pm
Friday, 06/02/2023	After-School - Baton	2:15pm - 3:00pm

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Glencoe Community,

Thank you to everyone who supported our beautiful Storybook Parade through helping with costumes, making signs, attending, and more! It was a great celebration of literacy, learning, and community. Thank you also to the Mt. Tabor Middle School band for supporting our parade with music and cheer!

We are in the home stretch of the school year. Here are a few reminders:

- No school Monday, May 29.
- Field Day is coming up on June 1. Students will be engaging in outdoor activities. We recommend they use sunscreen, wear tennis shoes, and bring a water bottle. Volunteer slots are available for signup on Konstella - 3rd-5th will be from 9:00-10:00 AM, and K-2nd grade will be from 12:45-1:45 PM.
- Be on the lookout for field trip permission slips, as we have a few remaining (*4th grade to Lelooska, Safety Patrol to Oaks Park, Roddis's class to Learning Garden, 5th grade to bowling.*)
- 5th graders will be closing the year as follows:
 - Promotion will be held in the cafeteria on June 13 @1:30pm.
 - 5th graders will attend the bowling trip on June 14.

- At the end of the school day on June 14, we will do our “clap out” where all students and staff will applaud the 5th graders as they make their way through the school.
- The last day of school is Wednesday, June 14.

As we approach the end of the school year, the energy level in schools tends to rise. Our goal is for our school to be an inclusive community that cares, collaborates, and perseveres all the way to the last day. If it's possible, keeping your child's schedule predictable at home and checking in with them daily about school are helpful ways of supporting students with staying positively connected to their school routines. We appreciate your partnership!

Sincerely,
Sarah Waltrip
Glencoe Principal

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Reminder:** It is the time of year that we begin to create class lists. Prior to 2020, teacher assignments were distributed in August. After the pandemic, teacher assignments were distributed in June. After some consultation with Site Council, we will be returning to the practice of distributing teacher assignments in August. This helps us maintain balanced classes as students often move in and out during the summer. Our goal is to support students in the most effective way that we can.

PTA NEWS

Gratitude!

Thank you to everyone who has been volunteering in so many capacities to help make the last few weeks of school really special for our kids.

- **STEAM Night** was a huge success, thanks to so many of you. Particular thanks goes to **Leah Plack, Michelle Jariabka, and Audrie Abernathy** for your months of hard work, and to everyone who volunteered to help during the week before and the night of.
- **The Storybook Parade** this morning was just the BEST. **Thank you** to the parents and staff who supported our children in carrying on this joyful Glencoe tradition.

Field Day

Speaking of **volunteering and traditions**, Field Day is next THURSDAY, June 1! **We need more volunteers to sign up**, especially for the older kids' session (3rd to 5th) from 8:30am-10am and set-up the afternoon before, Wed from 2:30 to 3:30pm. [Sign up on Konstella](#); thank you!

Playground Final Push

Our collective efforts to fundraise for playground improvements are impressive! As a community, we've raised \$86,000! Now we have an exciting opportunity to make one last fundraising push—**if we can raise \$7,000 over the next few weeks, a generous anonymous donor in our community has offered to match it to help us reach our final funding goal of \$100,000.** Please consider [donating now](#) and spreading the word to help us reach our goal and take advantage of this matching opportunity. Thank you!

Glencoe Gear on Member Hub

Want some cute Glencoe gear to celebrate the end of the school year? The Glencoe PTA has a limited number of sweatshirts and t-shirts available for sale through [Memberhub](#)!

Lost and Found–Come get your stuff!

The lost and found is overflowing with some really nice items. Please encourage your kids to look for missing coats, water bottles, etc. Everything will be donated if not claimed.

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

ADDITIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mosaic Update

Our 5th graders worked on a beautiful mosaic project with local artist Mark Brody to restore and contribute to our school sign that faces Belmont. The mosaic will be a legacy piece for generations to come! The remainder of the mosaic sign will be restored by the rising 5th graders in fall 2023. Thank you to everyone for your hard work.



Fun For The Arts Artwork

Your child's artwork could be on the next Fun for the Arts t-shirt! Want more information? Find it [HERE](#).

Updated COVID-19 Isolation Guidance

Effective May 11th, a five-day period of isolation for those infected with COVID-19 is longer recommended. The recommendation for the general population will be to stay home until fever free for 24 hours and symptoms are improving; to avoid contact with individuals at increased risk for severe disease, including older adults and those with underlying medical conditions; and to consider masking for 10 days.



SAFE ROUTES to School

[Safe Routes to School - May Newsletter](#)

PPS Digital Toolkit Summer Use

Students will have access to most [PPS Digital Toolkit applications](#) during the summer. Students who enroll in summer school may notice changes in some applications once summer school begins. Most PPS Digital Toolkit applications will remain active throughout the summer. Applications may be temporarily unavailable at the beginning of August as PPS shifts to the 2023-2024 school year. Please note that during the summer months, teachers are not active inside the digital tools and applications. Parents should be aware of what students are doing online. Parents may find the [Securly](#) application and [digital and civic literacy](#) resources helpful.

After-School Program End Dates

The last day for the After-School programs are as follows:

Imagine This Pdx Art - Monday, June 5th

Yoga - Monday, June 5th

Portland Reign Basketball - K-2 Tuesday, June 6th

Circus Arts - Wednesday, June 7th

Portland Reign Basketball - 3-5 Thursday, June 8th

Spanish - Thursday, June 8th

Baton - Friday, June 9th

ART INFUSION

Thanks to all the fabulous volunteers and families who made STEAM night a huge success! It's such a nice opportunity to celebrate our fabulous artists! The massive STEAM night pixel project is nearly done. We are looking for students interested in completing it. Next Wednesday, May 31st, during lunch recess students can join us in room #202 to help finish!

We are also reaching out to Mrs. Maestas and Mrs. Lageson's 2019-2020 kindergarten students. We have your pinch pots from the COVID closure. Please contact me (Michelle) if you haven't already made a plan to glaze/receive it.

Lastly, there are vacant 2023-2024 art infusion leadership positions. We can't run the program without support from volunteers. Please contact me for more information.

Thanks again for a wonderful year of creating!

Michelle Jariabka

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RODENT BAIT STATION APPLICATION

Western Pest Management will be deploying rodent bait stations around the outside of your school. The bait stations will be affixed to the ground, and will contain a rodenticide. Application will be in place from May 20th through June 30th, 2023. Please see the notification letter at this link: [Bait Station Application](#).

Nurse Wishlist

Ice packs
100 count tissue boxes
Sponges
3 - 10 oz drinking glasses

Student Lunch Accounts

Parents, please check your student's lunch account and make sure you are caught up before the end of the school year. Thank you!

Kindergarten Registration

Thank you for helping to spread the word 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.

Library News!



CALLING ALL SOFTBALL PLAYERS!

You're invited to
[PLAY SOFTBALL PORTLAND](#)
Sat. June 10
1:00-3:00 pm
McDaniel High School Softball Complex

A day to celebrate Portland's Softball Community
Brought to you by: FRIENDS OF BASEBALL
Sponsored by: MARINERS ON BASE 365
Hosted by: PIL ATHLETICS

Whether you're new to the game or an experienced ballplayer,
IT'S TIME to take the field and [PLAY SOFTBALL!](#)

For youth ages 5 -13 yrs

No experience necessary, all equipment will be provided

NO COST - free to all participants

Featuring:

- Softball Skills Stations for beginning and intermediate players
- Skilled Coach Trainers from FOB's GIRLS LEAD SOFTBALL PROGRAM, SOFTBALL U, USA SOFTBALL, and the MARINERS TRAINING CENTER
- VIP Guest, LAUREN CHAMBERLAIN, MLB Softball Ambassador and Women's Professional Fastpitch Commissioner
- Ballpark Hot Dog Meal for all participants
- Cool Giveaways - Bat & Softball Set, PLAYBALL T-shirt, and NIKE swag for all youth
- Face Painting by [Mystique's Fancy Faces](#)
- Interactive History Lesson, "The Women of Negro Leagues Baseball" presented by [Nikki Brown Clown](#)

REGISTER TODAY

YAS!!! - Youth Advocacy Summit for Queer kiddos/families and allies!

Check out the poster below to register for an awesome opportunity for learning, celebration and fun to support our Queer kiddos and allies in our district on June 10th! This is for 3rd graders and up, and you will need to be registered. Info on the poster!

■ [3-5 and Adult YAS Reg Flyer.pdf](#) ■ [YAS Volunteer Flyer.pdf](#)

Miss Madi will be there!! :)

PK-12 2023-24 MEAL BENEFITS INFORMATION

Free and reduced-price benefits expire at the end of each school year. Families can apply for benefits on or after July 1, 2023 for the 2023-24 school year online using SchoolCafe at www.schoolcafe.com/pps or download the mobile app. Updated paper meal applications can be downloaded from: <https://www.pps.net/Page/2464> on or after July 1, 2023. Families who do not qualify for free or reduced-price meals can use SchoolCafe to monitor transactions, view balance, set up low balance notifications, transfer funds among students and request a refund check. The system is free to use unless a payment is made with a debit/credit card to pay for school meals which is optional.

Eligible families are encouraged to apply for SNAP benefits. Approved SNAP recipients along with households where all students attend approved Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) schools do not need to submit meal applications.

Households receiving SNAP benefits, attending a CEP school and approved for free and reduced-price meals may be eligible for other benefits, like low cost internet and educational-related fee reductions or waivers.

For questions about meal benefits, please email mealbenefits@pps.net or call 503.916.3402.

Oregon Health Plan (OHP) eligibility renewals

If you or your student get health coverage through the Oregon Health Plan (OHP), it's critical that you update your contact information. Starting April 1, [Oregon Health Authority \(OHA\) started reviewing and determining member eligibility for OHP](#). OHP coverage renewed automatically during the last three years, but federally enhanced Medicaid coverage ended at the end of March. While most people will continue to qualify for existing benefits, OHA is required to review eligibility for all OHP members by mid-2024. Oregon has taken steps to keep as many people covered with medical insurance as possible during this transition.

To make sure your family retains access to care, including mental health & chemical dependency treatment, make sure your contact information is up-to-date and review any notices you receive which will tell you what you need to do to keep benefits. The fastest way OHP members can provide an update is by going to benefits.oregon.gov and logging into their ONE account. Other options for updating contact information also can be found on the web [here](#).

If someone is no longer eligible, their OHP benefits will continue for another 60 days. OHA will [help members transition](#) to other coverage by providing information. This may include information about financial help available for Marketplace health plans.

Students can continue to obtain no-cost healthcare at Multnomah County-sponsored [Student Health Centers](#) and the OHSU-sponsored [Benson Wellness Center](#), regardless of insurance status. [Somali](#); [Spanish](#).

Notices for Pandemic EBT food benefits for children are in the mail

By May 31, 2023, each child who is eligible for Pandemic EBT (P-EBT) food benefits will receive a P-EBT card in the mail. The card will have \$391 of food benefits on it. This card is different from a regular electronic benefit transfer (EBT) card. P-EBT is money for children whose access to adequate and quality food may have been impacted by COVID-19.

The food benefit is available to all children who were eligible to receive free or reduced-price National School Lunch Program meals during the 2021-22 school year. The benefits are also available to all children under six who received Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) food benefits in summer 2022. This includes all students attending Community Eligible Provision (CEP) schools.

Between March and May 2023, each eligible child will receive two pieces of mail addressed to them:

- A letter notifying them they are eligible to receive P-EBT benefits; and
- A separate envelope with their P-EBT card that has \$391 of food benefits on it.

Households with multiple eligible children will receive individual letters and cards for each eligible child.

Contact the P-EBT call center at 844-673-7328 with questions; it is open Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Pacific Time. The [P-EBT website](#) also has helpful information in English and Spanish. Families also can contact [211Info](#) for information about food and other resources. [Somali](#); [Spanish](#).

Student Health Center Appointments Available! Call today!

Parents, if you are having trouble getting your student in to see their pediatrician, consider the Student Health Center. It's just like having a doctor's office at school. Available services include preventative care, cold and flu treatment, non-emergency injuries, reproductive health, immunizations, basic lab services, and more. Student Health Centers will see students with or without insurance and there are no co-pays and no out-of-pocket costs. To find a Student Health Center near you, click [here](#) and [here](#).

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 – Somali](#)

PROGRAM FLYERS

NAYA Family Center [Queer Prom](#) (5/26)

Portland Rose Festival [Junior Parade Invitation](#) ([Spanish](#)) ([Vietnamese](#)) (6/7)

Rec Tennis, [Tennis Afterschool Zone @ Winterhaven](#) (Tuesday 6/13)

Portland Art Intensive [Summer Camp](#) (June 26-July 14)

OSU [4-H Wagon Train Camps](#) (6/24-7/1)

OSU [4-H Camp](#) (Summer)

Cognizart [360 Arts Camp 2023](#) (Summer)

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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](#))