



GLENBARD NORTH

Where Hard Work Matters

October 12, 2018

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Important Dates

Monday, November 12th
Board of Education Meeting
7pm - 9pm

Tuesday, November 13th
GPS: Thirty Million Words:
Building a Child's Brain
7pm - 9pm

Tuesday, October, 16th
Band Concert - Fall
7:30pm - 9:30pm

Wednesday, November 14th
GPS: Self-Driven: The Science of Giving Your
Kids More Confidence, Purpose & Control
7pm - 9pm

Monday, October 22nd
Board of Education Meeting
7pm - 9pm

Thursday, Friday, & Saturday,
November 15, 16, & 17
Fall Play Performance 7:30p.m.

Wednesday, October 24th &
Thursday, October 25th
Parent Teacher Conferences
Student Early Release 1:05p.m.

Wednesday, Thursday, & Friday,
November, 21, 22 & 23
Thanksgiving Recess

Friday, October 26th

Monday, November 26th
NO SCHOOL Board of Education Meeting-

Dr. John Mensik Principal



Dr. John Mensik
Principal

Student Recognition

Last year, around 1.6 million students took the PSAT National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test. Out of this 1.6 million, the top 50,000 students are recognized as "National Merit Commended" students, and the top 16,000 (top 1%) are recognized as National Merit Semifinalists. Glenbard North would like to recognize the following students for their academic success:

National Merit Semifinalist: **Laura Ribeiro**

National Merit Commended: **Jaden Duenas and Sachi Shukla**

The National Hispanic Recognition Program also recognizes about 5,000 of the 250,000 Hispanic/Latino juniors who take the PSAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test. This is an academic honor that can be included on college applications. Colleges use this program to identify academically exceptional Hispanic/Latino students. Congratulations to **Jaden Duenas** and **Luis Vera** for earning this accolade.

Parent/Teacher Conferences

Parent/Teacher conferences are a great way to be involved and encourage your child academically. Please be sure to schedule a conference taking advantage of the opportunity to sit down with your child's teachers and discuss their curriculum and academic progress. Last week a letter was sent home with instructions for scheduling a Parent/Teacher Conferences online through *PTC Wizard*.

I look forward to seeing many of you during conferences on **Wednesday, October 24 from 4:00 to 8:00 PM** or **Thursday, October 25 from 2:00 to 6:00 PM**.

As always, please do not hesitate to contact me at 630-681-3184 or john_menski@glenbard.org

John Healy Assistant Principal for Instruction



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Parent Teacher Conferences:

Parent Teacher Conferences are Wednesday, October 24 from 4:00-8:00 p.m. and Thursday, October 25 from 2:00-6:00 p.m. We would love to see you! To schedule your Parent Teacher Conference go to www.glenbard.org, under Glenbard Parent Services select PTC Wizard, select North, and schedule your conferences. You should have received a detailed letter with your students schedule and current grades in the mail last week. We hope to see you at parent teacher conferences!



College Board Accounts:

Every freshman in Illinois will take the PSAT 8/9, every sophomore will take the PSAT 10, and every junior will take the SAT in April this year. This sequence of assessments allows students to have multiple opportunities for practice and preparation. Every student should create a college board account. This is their storage space for their assessments, allows them to sign up for additional exams, view their AP scores, and allows easy access to on-line prep opportunities via Khan Academy. Current sophomores, juniors, and seniors set up their accounts last year in their math classes.

PART I.

Step 1 - Create a College Board Student Account - If you are creating your College Board account for the first time, go to studentscores.collegeboard.org and click Sign Up to create an account. You should use your full legal name that matches your name found in PowerSchool. You should be prepared to provide basic information, including gender, date of birth, Glenbard email address, high school name, expected high school graduation date, and zip code. The account will be created. Continue to step #2.

Step 2 - View Scores in the College Board Reporting Portal - To view scores, you will go to studentscores.collegeboard.org and sign in. You should be able to view your scores.

PART II.

Link your scores to Khan Academy so you can access free, personalized practice lessons and practice tests.

Linking your Scores to Khan Academy

1. Go to www.khanacademy.org in a web browser for English or es.khanacademy.org for Spanish.
2. Select Sign in/Sign up from the top right corner.
3. Log in with your Glenbard Google account.

As always, please do not hesitate to contact me at 630-681-3110 or john_healy@glenbard.org



SAT PREP

District 87 will offer a free SAT prep opportunity for juniors again this year. Students will have an option of an after school or evening course that meets two days a week for 9 weeks. Students will 1.) learn test taking strategies using a curriculum purchased via Cambridge test prep, 2.) take multiple practice tests, and 3.) engage in on line preparation via Khan Academy. More information and registration information will be sent to parents in November.

Interesting Fact:

- Average annual 1-year growth of a student between PSAT and SAT = 60 pts.
- Growth as a result of 20 hours of Khan Academy Prep = 100 pts.

Debra Cartwright Assistant Principal for Student Services



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Assistant Principal for
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Student Attendance

On days when your student must be absent from school please do the following:
Call the Attendance Office 630-653-9092 prior to 10:00am each day of the student is absent. This number is accessible 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

Remember that the Illinois School Code only permits a student to be absent from school due to **illness**, observance of **religious holidays**, death in the immediate family or family **emergencies**.

BeConnected@GBN

We encourage students to participate in worth-while student organizations and activities because our school considers such participation to be **vital to our students' educational welfare**. Students should gain skills by working effectively together in democratic groups. Research has repeatedly shown that students who **actively engage in co-curricular activities generally do better in school**. Student organizations and activities offer an opportunity for students to develop wholesome relationships with adults; and the teachers have an opportunity to gain valuable insights concerning the student which whom they work.

We have a wide range of student activities available for our students. There is really something for everyone and any interest. Please take a moment to review the list (at the end of this Newsletter) of available opportunities with your child and encourage them to pick an area of interest. It is not too late to join one of our many student organizations. If your child does not see something that fits their

interest or skill set and they have an idea for a club, please encourage them to see me directly.

Please contact me directly if you have questions related to our initiatives or student related issues. I can be reached directly at 630- 681-3190 or via e-mail at debra_cartwright@glenbard.org.



Panther of the Quarter

Each quarter during the year, faculty and staff have the opportunity to recommend a student to receive the *Panther of the Quarter* recognition. The recommendations are based upon accomplishments in the areas of academics, extra-curricular activities, or acts of good citizenship. The following students were honored at our *Panther of the Quarter* breakfast on October 11th.

Yaritza Alvarez
Jenna Bondelli
Riley Breck
Sarah Carlson
Hayley Cinquegrani
Janette Flores
Ada Forsner
Nick Garcia
Madison Gerleve
Cindy Ha
Casey Hart
Ethan Hayes
Jacob Holtz
Hana Kamiuchi
Allison Kasper
Rylee Kavanaugh
Anastajah Mcbride

Nathan Meyers
Ignacio Michel
Riddhi Patel
Zeel Patel
Ziya Patel
Shreya Patel
Chrisanthony Pedroza
Jahquell Reese
Aidan Rogers
Abigael Romero
Demya SimmonsHall
HlawnTlang
Vinay VargheseVellara
Grace Watson
Kevin Williamson
Aisha Willis

Matthew Bowser **Assistant Principal for Athletics**



Matthew Bowser
Assistant Principal for
Athletics

Winter sports are around the corner. Girls Basketball will begin on October 29th. Boys Basketball, Wrestling, Girls Gymnastics, and Boys Swimming will all begin on November 5th. Registration should be done through the parent portal of Power School. Once completed bring a current physical to the Athletic Office and pick up your gold card. It is our goal to have every student involved in a club, activity or sport here at Glenbard North high school this year. Please encourage your son or daughter to get involved!

Thanks again for the positive support each of you give to our programs. As always, please do not hesitate to contact me at 630-681-3189 or matthew_bowser@glenbard.org

From the Nurses' Office



DuPage County Vision and Hearing technicians will be at Glenbard North on MONDAY October 15th for initial vision and hearing screenings. Students to be screened include new students to our district (transfers), special education students, and students who are recommended by a parent or teacher. All students who fail the initial screening will be re-screened on Wednesday 10/31/18. Please contact the Nurses' office at 630-681-3322 or 630-681-3312 if you have any questions or requests.

Dr. David Larson Superintendent



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Superintendent

When we empower our students, we help them grow
As students make the transition to high school, we, as parents, also go through a transition - from being the ones making all the decisions and fixing things to empowering our teens to take on some of that role.

It's important that we help our teens develop agency - the ability to advocate for themselves and take charge of their own actions and choices. When we empower our teens, we allow them to take initiative and influence their future.

When a student is struggling with an assignment, it's powerful for him to talk with his teacher. As parents, we need to help our children understand it's OK to be vulnerable and ask for help - this is how we learn and grow. Our teachers are eager to help, but they need to know when a student is struggling.

Similarly, if a student knows that she will be absent, help her understand that she needs to be proactive in communicating this to her teachers. If teachers know that a student will miss class, they can work with the student to arrange for the work to be made up. Often, teen-agers forget that their teachers are human; they're reasonable. It's important we teach teens how to advocate for themselves and positively influence their experience at school.

Glenbard North has a multitude of resources available to students. Encourage your teen to take advantage of resources such as:

- * The Write Place, which offers student-centered writing support for all students. Open during all lunch hours.
- * The Quad, which provides students with Peer Tutors who will assist them in the areas of Algebra, Geometry and Algebra 2 with Trigonometry. Open during all lunch hours.
- * STRIVE after-school homework help, a structured environment where students can complete homework assignments, write papers, study for tests and receive academic support and/or tutoring.
- * AP Café, a supervised area where students can meet to hold study groups and prepare for AP exams. Open during all lunch hours.
- * Math Resource Center, math assistance available during lunch hours and study hall.

Also, remind your son or daughter that our teachers are available to students during a Resource period every day.

PowerSchool is a powerful online tool that lets you know how your student is doing in class. When you consistently check PowerSchool, it allows you to have good conversations with your student. Each week, have an open dialogue with your teen, ask, "How's it going?" and then brainstorm ideas for how your teen can arrange to get the help they need. By encouraging your teen to take initiative, you increase their motivation and empower him or her to take control.

The transition through adolescence can be challenging for teens and parents alike; however, an important part of this stage in life is teen-agers developing the ability to feel empowered to take control of their lives.



[Glenbard Parent Series](#)

P.R.O.W.L. Hotline

630-681-3192

Please Reach Out We Listen

Students are encouraged to "speak up" and tell an adult in the school when they feel uncomfortable or witness inappropriate behaviors such as bullying. If a situation is reported, the administration will investigate the claim, assess its validity and handle it accordingly.

Latex Allergies

Latex balloons or products containing latex pose a significant health threat to students with latex allergies. These products are NOT ALLOWED on campus at any time, including after school, evening or week end events.

2018-2019

STUDENT ACTIVITIES

Debra Cartwright, Assistant Principal of Student Services

Amateur Musicians Club	Mr. Grigoletto
Amnesty International	Mr. McKeown
Anime Club	Ms. Burns
Art Club	Ms. Macatangay
Band Ensembles	Ms. Whisnant
Bass Fishing	Mr. Stark
Best Buddies	Mr. Baloun
Black Student Association (BSA)	Ms. Henry
Boxing & X-Training	Ms. O'Malley
Chess Team	Mr. DeLap
Choir Ensembles	Ms. Johnson
Civics Club	Ms. Bray-Parker
Club Interact	Ms. Wales & Ms. Collings
Colorguard/Winterguard	Ms. Harring
Creative Writing	Mr. Melton
Current Newspaper	Ms. Buck-Castaneda & Ms. Pierce
F.C.C.L.A.(Family, Career & Community Leaders of America)	Ms. Wilkens
French Club	Ms. Fitzgerald
Future Doctors of America	Ms. Diamantos
Future Teachers of America	Mr. Schuldt
Green Panthers	Ms. Karavites-Uhl
Illinois Special Olympics Basketball	Mr. Adduci & Mr. Petrin
Indian Student Organization	Mr. Erday
Italian Honors Society	Ms. Feierberg
Junior Class	Ms. Munro
Key Club	Ms. Nageeb
Latin Dance Club	Mr. Treu & Ms. Guerrero
Link Crew	Ms. Kennedy & Ms. Shannon
Literary Magazine	Ms. Slattery
Math Team	Ms. Jungmann & Mr. Pavlakis
Model United Nations	Ms. Myers
Movie Club	Mr. Carey
Mu Alpha Theta	Ms. Schultz
Muslim Student Association (M.S.A)	Ms. Mahmudi
National Art Honor Society	Ms. Novak
National English Honor Society	Ms. Payton
National Honor Society	Mr. Sundquist
National Technical Honor Society	Mr. O'Brien
Organization of Latino American Students O.L.A.S	Ms. Melón
Panther Cheer Squad	Ms. Bulawa
Panther Slam Poetry	-Mr. Melton
Prism	Ms. Donovan
Prom	Ms. Burns
SADD/Students for Students	Ms. Franz

Scholastic Bowl	Mr. Kulesza
Science Honors Society	Ms. Pearson
Science Olympiad	Mr. Heise
Senior Class	Ms. Munro
Spanish Club	Ms. Carrasco
Speech Team	Ms. Nielsen
Pantera Dance Club	Mr. Treu
Panther Leadership Team (Student Council)	Mr. Guglielmi
Superfans	Ms. Munro
Technology Club	Mr. Gajewski
Theatre/Drama	Mr. King
Tri-M Music Honor Society	Ms. Whisnant & Ms. Johnson
Unity Dance Club	Ms. Benigno
The Well	Mr. Wit
Yearbook	Ms. Alvarez
Yoga Club	Ms. Schackmann

Panthers
Prepare for Success
Act with Integrity
Work Together
Show Respect



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