



GLENBARD NORTH

Where Hard Work Matters

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Important Dates

Please click on the Glenbard Parent Series
link below for all GPS Events

Monday, October 12th -
No School Columbus Day
Tuesday, October 13th -No School
Institute Day
Wednesday, October 14th - No School
Institute Day
Thursday, October 15th
Remote Learning Periods 1-4
New Student Orientation 2:00 - 2:30PM
Friday, October 16th
Remote Learning Periods 5-8

Monday October 19th
Hybrid Learning Begins

Wednesday & Thursday, October 28th & 29th
Parent Teacher Conferences

Friday, October 30th
No School



Dr. John Mensik Principal



Dr. John Mensik
Principal

A Message from the Principal

We are continuing our preparation for hybrid instruction that will begin on October 19th, and look forward to having some students back in the building. Please review the information in this newsletter as it pertains to important events coming up in the next few weeks. Also, additional information will be sent to parents and students next week to ensure we have a smooth transition to hybrid instruction.

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

Debra Cartwright Assistant Principal for Student Services



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A Message from the Assistant Principal for Student Services

All New Panthers are invited to campus for orientation to our building as we prepare for our in-person

return. This invitation extends to all Freshmen and Transfer students, regardless of hybrid or remote status. School Administration and Link Leaders will be on hand to assist students and answer questions. Students will have the opportunity to learn how to complete the Daily Health Check, enter the building safely, and walk their class schedule. This is designed to help all new students acquaint themselves with our campus and procedures. We feel this is such an important event that we are providing bus service. An abbreviated bus schedule is linked [HERE](#). Students may also walk or be dropped off by a parent/guardian. All students are expected to adhere to the safety guidelines below.

Students should wear their "We Belong" T-shirt and bring their iPads. Prior to entering campus, students must complete their Daily Health Check. Information on how to complete the Daily Health Check is found [HERE](#).

Expectations

- 1) Face masks covering the mouth and nose must be worn at all times while in the building.
- 2) Everyone must follow social distancing guidelines by remaining 6 feet apart at all times; including on the bus as much as possible
- 3) Keep moving inside and outside the building. Do not congregate and gather in or around school grounds (e.g. sidewalks, parking lots, athletic fields, etc.).
- 4) Self Certify by completing the [Daily Health Check](#). Students who are ill or present COVID-19 like symptoms will not be allowed to enter the building.
- 5) To comply with social distancing protocol we ask that students enter the building independently. Exceptions will be made for students requiring assistance.
- 6) All students must enter through door 1 or 28. Security staff will be present to assist students. It is essential that students listen to the instructions of all adults.

If you have any questions, please contact me at debra_cartwright@glenbard.org or 630-681-3190.

Glenbard North High School Invites all New Students to:

New Student Orientation

OCTOBER 15, 2020
2:00-2:30PM

*Find your classes
and pick up
Panther Bling*



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

Eric Johansen **Assistant Principal for Operations**



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Principal for Operations

A Message from the Assistant Principal for Operations

Senior Portraits and Yearbook Photos:

Senior Portraits and Yearbook Photos begin next week at Glenbard North. Seniors should have received information from Lifetouch/Prestige photos to schedule appointments. Freshmen, Sophomores, and Juniors should have signed up through the Sign-up Genius link that was sent out previously. It is very important that you note the following:

Yearbook Photos Click here [Click Here for Flyer](#) :

- Parents should drop their child(ren) off at door 1. From there, the student will proceed through the thermal scanner to verify they are fever-free.
- Families must wait outside; only the student being photographed may enter the building.
- All families must certify that their child does not have COVID-19 symptoms nor do they have a fever. Your child has a link to the electronic self-certification on their iPad. You can also access it at www.glenbard.org or by clicking [here](#). The green "Allowed Access" screen should be shown upon entry. If doing so from an iPhone, you may want to follow [these](#) instructions.
- After entering door 1, students will proceed to the north end of the cafeteria and follow the directions posted to have their photograph taken.
- Once the photograph is taken, students will exit through the south cafeteria, walk north through the 1400 (band) hallway, and exit door 1.
- **A mask must be worn at all times while in the building.** The only exception is while the photograph is being taken.

Senior Portraits:

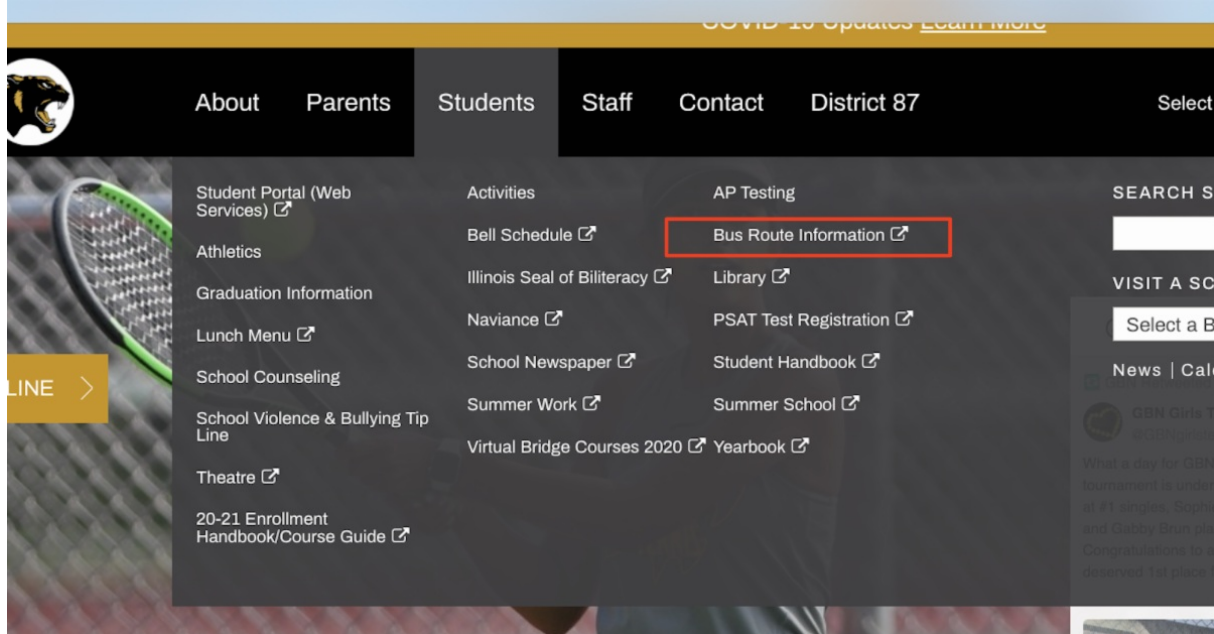
- Parents should drop their child off at the south end of the main lot near the stadium for entry at door 12. Seniors driving themselves should park in the main lot near the stadium. Upon entry, each student's temperature will be taken to verify they are fever-free.
- Families must wait outside; only the senior being photographed may enter the building.
- All families must certify that their child does not have COVID-19 symptoms nor do they have a fever. All students have a link to the electronic self-certification on their iPad. You can also access it at www.glenbard.org or by clicking [here](#). The green "Allowed Access" screen should be shown upon entry. If doing so from an iPhone, you may want to follow [these](#) instructions.
- After entering door 12, students will proceed to the fieldhouse and follow the directions posted to have their photograph taken.
- Once the photograph is taken, students will exit through door 12 and return to their vehicles. Social distancing must be maintained at all times.
- **A mask must be worn at all times while in the building.** The only exception is while the photograph is being taken.

Student IDs:

Because we were not able to hold our traditional Back-to-School Week and have ID pictures taken at that time, Lifetouch printed our 2020-21 student IDs with last year's photos. This is true of our freshmen as well, using their middle school photos. New students to Glenbard North will have their ID pictures taken through our Deans' Office. We are in the process of mailing student IDs to homes and families should receive them prior to the first day of school.

Bus Riders:

Students eligible to ride a bus to Glenbard North will receive their student ID along with an important document related to safely riding the bus. It has specific expectations for bus riders on one side and the student pick-up/drop-off location and time on the reverse side. Families can always access bus information by going to the Glenbard North website and clicking on "Bus Route Information" under the "Students" tab.



As always, please do not hesitate to contact me at 630-681-3201 or eric_johansen@glenbard.org

John Healy Assistant Principal for Instruction



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Assistant Principal for
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A Message from the Assistant Principal for Instruction

Parents of AP Students:

Please have your student show you that they are registered for the AP exam on their myap.collegeboard account. You may have paid for a test, but unless they register for their class with The College Board, an exam can not be ordered. Need help - please contact me.

SAT Make Up Testing (Seniors)

If your senior missed the Wednesday, September 23 SAT School Day Exam, s/he must make it up on October 27. The School Day SAT is a graduation requirement. Information will be shared with students closer to the event as to their room assignments via Schoology.

PSAT/NMSQT Saturday, October 17 (Juniors)

This is an optional exam, and students had to register by September 15 in order to participate. Students should plan on arriving between 7:45-8:00 for the exam with a picture id, #2 pencils, and a calculator. We will be using larger spaces in the building to accommodate the number of students (cafe, gym, field

house, library)but no space will have greater than 45 students assigned to it. The exam should be completed at approximately 11:30. Further directions to families will be communicated prior to the event.

Parent-Teacher Conferences!

Parent / Teacher Conferences will be VIRTUAL on October 28th (4:00-8:00pm) and October 29th (2:00-6:00pm). To schedule conferences, parents will need to access PowerPTC through [PowerSchool](#) **beginning September 26th at 9:00 a.m.** Please follow the Parent/Guardian quick start guide to begin scheduling conferences.

Important Information

Parents will only be able to schedule conferences using [PowerPTC](#) through their PowerSchool account **starting September 26th at 9:00 am until October 26th at 11:59 pm.**

Parent-Teacher Conferences occur October 28th 4:00-8:00 pm and October 29th 2:00-6:00 pm

- Please use the following link: [PowerSchool](#) to sign-on and schedule your conferences.
- Conferences are 5 minutes in length. You should plan a 5 minute break between conferences.
- Friday, October 30th is a non-attendance day for students

If parents experience technical difficulty or if they are unable to schedule a conference online, they may contact John Healy @ 630-681-3110

PowerPTC

Quick Start Guide

Logging into PowerPTC

1. Log into **PowerSchool**
 - a. If you not have a PowerSchool account, please visit ps.glenbard.org to create one
 - b. Please wait 1 week before your account is active in PowerPTC
2. Click the  icon in the top right corner
3. Click **PowerPTC**
4. Choose either English or Español
5. Click the **Guardians & Parents - Click Here to Login >>>** link.

Adding an Activation Code to an Existing Account

1. Open a web browser and navigate to: <https://www.powerptc.net>
2. Log in with your existing account.
3. Click on **My Settings**.
4. Under the **Add New Activation Code** section enter your activation code.

Scheduling Your Conferences

1. Open a web browser and navigate to: <https://www.powerptc.net>
2. Log in with your account.
3. Click on **Conference Schedule**.
4. Select the **date** you would like to schedule your appointments on.
5. Select a starting **time** for your appointments.
6. If you would **not** like to attend conferences with certain courses, uncheck the box under the **Schedule** column.
7. Click **Build Your Schedule Now!**
8. Finally, click **Print Schedule** to create a hard copy of your parent-teacher conference schedule.
9. If you are scheduling for more than one student, you can switch the active student you are scheduled for by clicking on the **Select a Student** link from the left-hand menu.

Matthew Bowser
Assistant Principal for Athletics



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A Message from the Assistant Principal for Athletics

Covid 19 has caused continued changes to the IHSA sports calendar. We continue to do our best to keep you up to date of those changes. For all your Glenbard North Athletics please continue to visit our Athletic Homepage [here](#).

The winter athletic season is just around the corner. Any student interested in participating will need to obtain Gold Card approval from the Athletic Office. This fall, the athletic department moved our Gold Card process to be 100% digital. Gold Card requests are processed every Monday - Friday during normal school hours, with a digital Gold Card approval emailed to your students school email address. Students can request a card and upload their current sports physical [here](#).

Winter Athletics Start Dates and Contact Information

Winter Sport	Start Date	Head Coach	Email
Boys Basketball	November 16th	Joe Larson	joseph_larson@glenbard.org
Girls Basketball	November 16th	Steve Wit	stephen_wit@glenbard.org
Boys Swimming	November 16th	Luke Witteveen	luke_witteveen@glenbard.org
Competitive Cheer	November 16th	Erin Dugan	erin_dugan@glenbard.org
Competitive Dance/ Poms	November 16th	Gina Underwood	gina_underwood@glenbard.org
Co-Ed Bowling	November 16th	Nick Szarzak	nicholas_szarzak@glenbard.org
Girls Gymnastics	November 16th	Dennis Wellman	dennis_wellman@glenbard.org
Wrestling	November 16th	TBD	matthew_bowser@glenbard.org

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



Dr. David Lasron
Superintendent



Dr. David Larson
Superintendent

A message from the Superintendent

Extracurriculars providing valuable connection to school

When students have a strong sense of belonging and a connection to their school, they have a better educational experience and healthy emotional wellbeing. While our students are working remotely, they still have many opportunities to connect with their classmates and our staff outside of school.

Let's look at examples of how students have been connecting to school:

- The theater department is putting on an entirely virtual show for the fall - they are making a movie. Actors will perform from home and the student tech team will edit the movie from home. It will be shared on YouTube.
- The Indian Student Association is hosting virtual dance practices and auditions to get ready for a virtual show.
- Members of Glenbard North's honors societies are tutoring students virtually.
- Glenbard North's marching band has done a tremendous job with Friday Night Lights, which allowed band members to play on the field in socially distanced groups. Parents safely enjoyed the performances from their vehicles.
- Community-based Transition site Best Buddies are meeting. Students from the Northern and Southern Transition sites join each other virtually each month. Even though they are not meeting in person, students appreciate seeing everyone.
- The North Current is producing an online newspaper this year.
- The chess team and Scholastic Bowl teams are looking into using technology to compete against other teams in the DuKane Conference virtually.
- Students Against Destructive Decisions (SADD) is creating care packages for students.

All of these activities and more are powerful ways for students to connect with classmates, club sponsors and coaches and make new friends. Students still have the opportunity to communicate, collaborate, create, embrace diversity, think critically and be self-empowered - the qualities within our Profile of a Graduate. Our students are learning and growing both in class and through activities beyond the school day.





Navigating Healthy Families

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 weekend events.

Panthers
Prepare for Success
Act with Integrity
Work Together
Show Respect



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