# Glencoe Elementary School Weekly Newsletter April 3, 2025

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

Date	Event	Time
Friday, 04/04/2025	NO SCHOOL - Teacher Grading Day	
Monday, 04/07/2025	NO SCHOOL - Teacher Planning Day	
Tuesday, 04/08/2025	After-School - Portland Drama Club After-School - Yoga Playgrounds	2:30pm - 5:00pm 2:30pm - 3:30pm
Wednesday, 04/09/2025	Dungeons & Dragons Club	2:30pm - 3:30pm
Thursday, 04/10/2025	After-School - Adventures in Spanish After-School - Skyhawks Basketball	2:30-3:30pm/3:45-4:30pm 2:30pm - 3:45pm
Friday, 04/11/2025	After-School - Lego Explorers After-School - Portland Kelly Kadets Baton	2:30pm - 4:00pm 2:30pm - 3:10pm

## **MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL**

Dear Glencoe Community,

It is hard to believe Quarter 4 has begun. I hope Spring Break provided some needed rest and recharging to propel us to June. To welcome students back we had our April Wednesday Morning Meeting this week. Ask your student(s) what the "word of the month is" and how they see it in action around Glencoe. You can also ask them what our special schoolwide earned incentive and Spirit Day will be this month. We are very excited about it!

This week and next are short so that teachers have time to complete Quarter 3 report cards and plan for the rest of the year. Please see the blurb below for more information on when report cards will be ready for you to view.

I wish you all a great 4-day weekend, and we look forward to seeing you back at school next Tuesday.

Katie

#### **Report Card Timeline**

Friday, April 4 will be a grading day, followed by a planning day on Monday the 7, meaning there is no school for students so teachers can prepare Quarter 3 grades/comments. Report cards will go live on ParentVue on Friday, April 11. If you have opted to receive a paper copy, they will be mailed the following week.

### Seeking Resources for Community Celebration - Please help!

Our Centennial Celebration is coming up on Thursday, May 29. The goal is to provide a community-wide celebration for our entire community, including neighbors and alum. In an effort to make this block party a success, I am hoping to find families/community members who may be able to help with the following items:

- Food cart/food connection dinner and dessert/beverages
- Musicians who would like to play a few songs during the event family friendly 🙂
- Donations of any kind to be raffled off throughout the evening
- Activities temporary tattoos, games, anything with an interactive component
- Help with/access to a photo booth

If you have ideas, access, or a direct connection to any of the above, please let <u>Katie</u> know. Thank you in advance! We appreciate it!

#### **Come Celebrate Our Student Honorees & Arts Education**

Come celebrate the extraordinary work of our student artists and over a decade of funding for public school arts, with arts performances and an exhibition featuring student honorees from our school!

Portland Public Schools is proud to partner with the Portland Art Museum, our host of the 2025 HeART of Portland: A PPS K-12 Arts Showcase. This premier district-wide annual event kicks off with an evening of student dance, music, and theatre performances, plus the opening of a stunning student visual art exhibition featuring over 100+ works.

Breaking the Grid: This year's student visual arts exhibition also features a citywide collaborative student art project inspired by the Portland Art Museum exhibition *Psychedelic Rock Posters and Fashion of the 1960s.* Guided by visual arts educators, students designed posters in the bold, expressive style of the exhibition, reflecting their hopes and dreams for their communities.

### Event Details:

Portland Art Museum – Free & open to everyone! <u>1119 SW Park Avenue</u> Wednesday, April 16, 2025, Opening Reception

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6 – 8:30 PM – Student Visual Art Exhibition (Miller Gallery, 1st Floor, Mark Building)

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- 6:30 PM Superintendent's Welcome (Kridel Ballroom, 3rd Floor, Mark Building)
- 🎭 6:30 8 PM Student Performances (Kridel Ballroom, 3rd Floor, Mark Building)



## PTA NEWS

## Volunteer Opportunities @ Glencoe

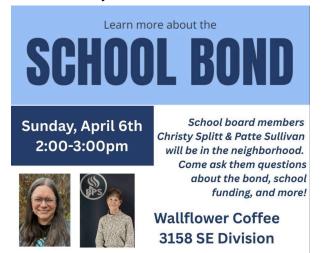
Volunteers are vital to strengthening our school community. Join us!

• <u>Safety Patrol needs a little fresh volunteer energy to finish the year strong!</u> Great news, Afternoon Safety Patrol is almost filled for April AND May! *Thank you so much to everyone who has signed up to help with Safety Patrol.* If you haven't yet, please consider filling a shift for one or more months today. Sign up here and thank you for helping our kids get to school safely!

- Teacher Appreciation Week is coming up in May! If you have ideas and want to help plan, email volunteerglencoepta@gmail.com.
- Interested in learning more about serving on the Glencoe PTA Board? Email glencoeelementarypta@gmail.com.

## Meet with School Board Members THIS Sunday, April 6

School Board members Christy Splitt and Patte Sullivan will be at Wallflower Coffee for a community engagement event on Sunday, April 6th. They will be there to answer questions about the school bond coming up for our vote, and any other general questions from parents and community members.



#### PTA Plant Sale! Order by April 11

Planting season is upon us! Order your garden bed staples and veggie starts from New Leaf Greenhouse, and help Glencoe PTA fundraise at the same time! <u>Order through Konstella</u> by Friday, April 11th and pick up will be on Tuesday May 6th from 2-3:30pm. Please email Alex O'Connor at <u>amoconnor38@gmail.com</u> if you have any questions or need a different payment or pick up option.



## After School Enrichment Activities for Spring

Many of our amazing after-school enrichment programs are not getting many registrations and are therefore at risk of cancelling classes. Sign your student/s up **TODAY** for some extra learning and community time! Visit the <u>PTA website</u> for more information!

## Mondays:

Imagine This! Imagine This PDX Art: Register Low enrollment

Portland Drama Club – Seussical! Portland Drama Club: Register

Chess Club <u>Chess School: Register</u> <u>KG only Chess School: Register</u> Low enrollment

## Tuesdays:

Yoga Playgrounds Yoga Playgrounds: Register Cancelled due to low enrollment

Portland Drama Club – Seussical! Portland Drama Club: Register

## Wednesdays:

Coding for Kids (Starting 4/16) <u>Coding Grades 3-5: Register</u> <u>Coding Grades KG-2: Register</u> Low enrollment

Circus Cascadia Circus Cascadia: Register Low enrollment

Dungeons & Dragons Club Email to register: <a href="mailto:dallasuptownbrown@gmail.com">dallasuptownbrown@gmail.com</a>

## Thursdays:

Adventures in Spanish Adventures in Spanish: Register

Skyhawks Basketball Skyhawks Basketball: Register Low enrollment

#### Fridays:

LEGO Robotics <u>Lego Robotics: Register</u> Low enrollment Baton <u>Kelly Kadets Baton: Register</u>

## Enrichment Activity highlights

#### **Coding with Kids**

AI: INTRO TO MACHINE LEARNING Grades 3-5 Wed, 2:30 PM-3:30 PM Apr 16 - Jun 11 no class on Apr 23, May 21 \$185 / 7-week session

Discover how AI works by learning key AI and ML concepts such as neural networks, computer vision, and image recognition. You'll learn how to use modern AI tools effectively, like DALL-E, for tasks like generating images. You'll create your own AI models that will be used to build Scratch projects, including video filters and touchless games.

REGISTRATIONS: <a href="http://www.codingwithkids.com/session/73746">www.codingwithkids.com/session/73746</a>

## LITTLE CODERS: INTRO TO CODING

Grades K-2 Wed, 2:30 PM-3:30 PM Apr 16 - Jun 11 no class on Apr 23, May 21 \$185 / 7-week session

Tailored for early readers, this course helps students boost their computational thinking while having fun with friends! Beginners learn coding basics like Loops and Conditions. Returning students tackle new challenges, such as debugging. All students build exciting games, stories, and animated characters.

REGISTRATIONS: www.codingwithkids.com/session/73747





# Coding with Kids Computer Programming Academy for ages 5-18

#### **Circus Cascadia**

Has your kid ever been WOWed by people walking on stilts, circus acrobatics, juggling? They can learn these amazing skills and so much more at Circus Cascadia! We meet in the gym at Glencoe every Wednesday to foster community, encouragement, and bravery in learning new things safely. Sign your kid up today!



Circus Cascadia programs reflect the diversity of our community. We do not discriminate on the basis of religion, race, color, national origin, gender, age or disability.

#### **Sharing the Field**

Cal Ripken Spring baseball practices are starting up on the Glencoe fields, including many of our own Glencoe students. We love dogs, but with green space limited in our neighborhood, please remember to leash your dogs on the Glencoe field. The field is Portland Parks & Rec property, and **leashes are required**. This is especially important during sports practice, particularly baseball. It can be very scary and dangerous for players and families when

unfamiliar dogs run into practice or games. Children have been bitten by dogs on the Glencoe field as recently as last year. The upper field behind the playground is a great place to take your dog when you see children are using the fields.

Please also be sure to **clean up after your dogs**--cleaning dog doo out of baseball cleats is no fun, and families contribute many volunteer hours maintaining the fields for team use, though all Glencoe students benefit! Thank you for your help in creating a positive experience for our children and our neighborhood, and for spreading the word!

## Runner 2 Runner Track Clinic at Cleveland High

Howard Lao, Track & Field Coach at Cleveland High School is holding a Track & Field clinic. "This is a good way for our high schools to be a role model for the youth, while giving the opportunity for elementary school athletes a chance to run. All skill levels welcomed. We will RUN - JUMP - THROW thru all the track events." Check out their site for more details.



#### Pedalheads discount for summer camps!

Pedalheads has generously offered Glencoe parents and the PTA an exciting win-win-win with a \$25 discount when you sign up for classes, and \$25 going to the PTA! Use the code **Glencoe25** when you sign up for summer camps and Spring classes. Registration is open!



Quick Links: PTA Website, Facebook, MemberHub

# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## HEALTH ROOM NEEDS

We are in need of LARGE SIZE boys and girls bottoms and underwear. If you're doing some spring cleaning during the break, please consider donating some unwanted clothing to our health room supply.

## **VOLLEYBALL OPPORTUNITIES AT FRANKLIN**

Franklin High School is hosting **FREE Skills Gyms in June** for **ALL skill levels!** Whether a kid has never touched a volleyball before or just wants to try it out, this is the perfect opportunity to see if volleyball is the right fit in a fun and supportive environment! See flier for dates: <u>Skills Gym</u> <u>Dates</u>

Franklin High School is also hosting a **Volleyball Camp on July 15-17** from 10am-1pm for 4th - 8th Graders. This is a fundraiser for the Franklin Girls Volleyball Team. See Flier for more details: <u>Volleyball Camp</u>

## 2025 SUNDAY PARKWAYS

Portland Sunday Parkways, Presented by Kaiser Permanente, expands in 2025 with four car-free street events, including a return to Downtown Portland! <u>Sunday Parkways</u>



Join your neighbors and celebrate 2025 Sunday Parkways events!



## LOST AND FOUND - SMALL ITEMS

I have an overflowing collection of small lost and found items such as jewelry, small toys, keys, glasses, watches, etc. at my desk in the office. If your child is missing something, please check in with me (Chris Anderson.) I may just have it in my collection!

## STUDENT EXCHANGE PROGRAM

Exchange students around the world have already been accepted for the 2025-2026 school year, and are anxiously waiting to see their American dream come true. Whether your family loves sports or arts, is always on the move or enjoys quiet time at home, we know there is an exchange student that will fit right into your life, home, and heart. If you are intrigued by the prospect of hosting an exchange student and wish to learn more about this enriching experience, click the link for more info: <u>Student Exchange Program</u>.

Here's a little info from 3 students hoping to come to the USA next year! Flier

**Carolina, 16, Spain:** "Dear Host Family: I am a very curious person, I feel that my life is too short to do, live and learn everything I would like to. I am also very cheerful, I like to laugh a lot, make jokes and smile every time I can. I always try to make the most of everything and be a person that people like. While I am on the program I would like to join many different activities (I am thinking about cheerleading and drama club although other things also interest me a lot). I enjoy nature and I'm very, very active, I do lots of sports, like running and cycling. I love the sun, but also the snow!"

**Paul, 16, Germany:** "Hi my name is Paul. I believe I am a person who easily gets along with everybody. My hobbies are team sports like basketball and volleyball, outdoor activities like hiking, skiing and water sports. I also like drawing as well as reading. When in the US I would like to join a volleyball team if possible. I would love to be part of an active family and join in their activities and also try new sports or hobbies. Of course, I will also contribute with my share of chores in the household."

*Margherita,* 16- Female from *Italy- Coming August 2025:* "I am a sociable, kind, and curious girl. I love meeting new people and learning new things. I love nature and theatre and I would love to share these passions with you. I also hope to try new experiences together. Spending a year in the USA has always been a dream because I believe this experience will broaden my perspective on the world and allow me to grow by challenging myself. I love traveling, discovering new places, learning about new cultures, realities, and meeting new people. I enjoy creating beautiful memories and taking a break from my daily routine. One of the things I love most is spending time with my family and friends, whether going to the cinema, the park, or doing any activity where we can have fun together."

#### **MUSIC**



**4th Grade Families:** Students may use this <u>link</u> to access online resources for Link Up: The Orchestra Rocks.

**5th Grade PPS Honor Choir 2025:** We have two 5th graders who will be representing Glencoe at the PPS HeART of Portland K-12 Showcase on Wednesday, April 16. Congratulations to Lou R & Nora W. The event is FREE and you are invited to attend! It will be at the Portland Art Museum Mark Building. I believe the doors will open around 6:15pm. It's usually a packed event with a line to get in so get there early if you want a seat! More information after spring break.





The Single Subject Acceleration application process opened March 1st. Please visit the district website for more information about the process.

#### 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 **updated guide** is for you: <u>LGBTQ+</u> <u>Caregiver Guide (English) LGBTQ+ Caregiver Guide (Spanish)</u>

## FRANKLIN STUDENT HEALTH CENTER

All Multnomah County K-12 youth (ages 5-18) are welcome at the Franklin Student Health Center no matter where you go to school. We will see you with or without insurance. There is never an out-of-pocket cost for services. Call for Appointments: 503-988-3370.



## SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOLS

April Safe Routes to Schools Newsletter

## PROGRAM FLIERS Highlighted items are new

#### Camps, Classes, & After School Programs:

- Portland Parks Teen Nature Team (Saturdays, then weekdays in summer)
- VIBE PDX <u>Summer Art & Music Camps</u> (Jun. 16 Aug. 29)
- USTA Spring <u>Tennis Afterschool Zone at Maplewood</u> (Apr. 8 May 13)
- VIBE of Portland Music & Digital Art Classes for Kids
- Portland Parks & Rec: Teen Force at SW Community Center

#### **Other Opportunities:**

- City of Portland is recruiting for the Community Board for Police Accountability (CBPA)
- PCC Women's Basketball: Princess Ball Daddy Daughter Dance (Apr. 5)
- AFS Intercultural Programs: Host an Exchange Student

#### Summer Camps:

- PCC <u>Summer Teen Program</u> (schedule online Apr. 25, registration opens May 28)
- VIBE PDX East Winds Band Camp (Jul. 21-25, 2025, recorded audition due Jul. 10)
- Cognizart <u>360Arts Summer Camps</u> (Jul. 7-11, 14-18, & 21-25)
- OSU <u>Summer Reading Program</u> (Jun. 14 Aug. 16)

#### **Preschool Programs:**

- Multnomah Early Childhood Program <u>Peer Preschool Classes</u>
  (Spanish) (Vietnamese) (Chinese) (Russian) (Somali) (Korean) (Arabic) (Persian)
- Portland Parks Preschool 2024-25

#### **Community Events & Information:**

- Multnomah County Common Application
- City of Portland <u>311 Non-Emergency Hotline</u> (Spanish) (Vietnamese) (Chinese) (Russian) (Somali)

#### Vaccinations, Health & Wellness:

- Multnomah County Student Health Center Immunization Catch-Up Reminder
- Oregon Health Plan & Oregon Health Insurance Marketplace

- Multnomah County Free Community Vaccination Clinic (Tuesdays, Thursdays, Fridays) (English) (Spanish) (Vietnamese) (Chinese) (Russian) (Somali)
- Multnomah County Student Health Centers (fliers in English, Russian, Chinese, and Vietnamese):
  - o <u>Cleveland HS</u>
  - o Franklin HS
  - o <u>Jefferson HS</u>
  - o <u>McDaniel HS</u>
  - o <u>Roosevelt HS</u>