

**Glenbard
West***April 2025*

Hello - this is a reminder that you're receiving this email because you have a student at, or have expressed an interest in, Glenbard West High School. Communication between Glenbard West and our families and community is very important to us. Don't forget to add gw_news@glenbard.org to your address book so we'll be sure to land in your inbox! Please email any questions directly to Glenbard Staff, we are happy to respond.

DO NOT REPLY TO THIS EMAIL

Hilltopper Community,

First, I'd like to wish all of our students, staff, and families a wonderful and well-deserved spring break. I hope that everyone finds a moment or two to detach from the hustle and bustle of the school year, relax, and recharge. Because our break is later this year, the last seven weeks are going to move quickly, and the week we get back will be a busy one.



On Monday, April 7th during Glenbard Hour, there is a mandatory meeting for all seniors that will review important tasks and outline our expectations for exiting Glenbard West with pride. Read on

for more



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Wednesday, April 9th and Thursday, April 10th are testing days. On Wednesday, our freshmen and sophomores will take the PreACT. This is a non-attendance day for juniors and seniors. On Thursday, our juniors will take the ACT. This is an important test and a graduation requirement in the state of Illinois. Thursday is a non-attendance day for freshmen, sophomores, and seniors. You can find more information on the ACT and the upcoming AP tests below.

April plays host to many of our end-of-the-year events and performances. Below you'll find the dates for upcoming concerts, our art show, Prom, and the spring production of *You Can't Take It With You*.

As always, thank you for reading. Please feel free to contact me directly with any questions or concerns.

Go West!

Ben Peterselli

630-942-7473

ben_peterselli@glenbard.org

IMPORTANT DATES

March 31 - April 4

NO SCHOOL - Spring Break

April 7

School Resumes

Senior Meeting

9:34 - 10:14 a.m.

Auditorium

April 9

preACT Testing

Freshman and Sophomores Only in Attendance

April 10

ACT Testing

World Languages Induction Ceremony

6:30 - 8:30 p.m.

Library

April 17 - 19

Spring Play

7:30 - 9:30 p.m.

Auditorium

April 18

NO SCHOOL

April 21

Art Show

6:30 - 8:30 p.m.

Auditorium and Foyer

April 22

NHS Induction Ceremony

7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Auditorium

April 23

Student Recognition Convo

Freshman, Sophomores, and Juniors

7:30 - 9:00 p.m.

Auditorium

April 24

Spring Band Concert

7:30 - 10:00 p.m.

Auditorium

April 26

Prom

7:00 to 10:00 p.m.

Venuti's

Post Prom

10:00 p.m. to 2:00 a.m.

Ackerman Sports Complex

Spring Choral Concert
7:30 - 9:00 p.m.
TBD

STUDENT RECOGNITION

Illinois State Scholars

Aidan Adachi, Nauf Ahmad, Asiya Ahmed, Miriam Alcorn, Hamid Ali, August Allaway, Dann Amparo, Megan Antonacci, Morgan Baedke, Syeda Zahra Baqhari, Owen Bare, Davis Barta, Benjamin Battisto, Mary Benkert, Laurel Bishop, Alina Blashchuk, Jacob Blew, Chloe Brondyke, Emmeline Burrus, Brandon Carpenter, Leah Chapski, Enayah Chishty, Samuel Clark, Charles Clifford, Kendal Cullen, Anna Cullerton, Olivia Denman, Sarah Dudley, Emma Eltzroth, Lauren Escalante, Sophie Fader, Graham Faris, Elizabeth Fischer, Ella Formanski, Elizabeth Frank, Benjamin Freeman, Andrew Gacek, Grayson Ganser, Bennett Garippo, Stella Garland, Liam Grady, Ryan Gritis, Holly Hane, Colton Hart, Meredith Hedley, Maria Heintz, Lucille Hewitt, Mariia Iurchenko, Jillian Kadlec, Maia Kaslewicz, Justin Keo, Tehami Khalique, Maya Kiple, Lucas Krynen, William Lafontaine, Matthew LoGalbo, Hannah Loughlin, Eric Lowrie, Mia Malesevic, Dhruv Mamgain, Camden Marschand, AbdurRahman Mazher, Declan McCarthy, Mary McCluskey, Erin McCollum, Marisa Mehta, Ruby Metz, Danish Mohammed, Tobias Montilla, Samantha Moorhead, Colton Nikols, Blake Noble, Ryan Olsen, Lily O'Reilly, Emily Overtoom, Rizwan Panjwani, Ayushi Patel, Ishrat Patel, Omar Patel, Natalie Pech, Allison Penley, Madelyn Price, Matthew Price, Gavin Profitt, Morgan Putnam, Aarogya Regmi, Ian Rondeau, Aniela Rossi, Caroline Sallas, Dominic Seaney, Nawra Shaik, Andrew Sladewski, Eishaal Sodager, Matthew Stevens, Megan Stieglitz, Allyson Stortz, Reid Strezo, Carys Stupfel, Usman Syed, Uzair Syed, Kasper Szymczak, Henrikas Tatarunas, Amy Tran, Christopher Tran, Dylan Vlach, Kristin Vogel, Evelyn Vondruska, Mila Vukmirovic, William Walter, Audrey Weaver, Hailey Weaver, Christopher Weber, Adeline Williams, Aleksander Wrobel, Sameer Yamala, and Julian Yeh

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Math State Final Qualifiers

Simon Ellis, Madeline Jacobson, Michael Price, Ollie Ramos, Steven Hockett, Tanya Le, Mel Martinez, Martin Millar, Shaan Patel, Gabe Shapiro, Angela Jaeger, Sadie Jewell, Charles MacDonald, Joanna Piczak, Nathan Sowa, Asiya Ahmed, George Andrianopoulos, Camden Marschand, Colton Nikols, Amy Tran and Aleksander Wrobel.

Head Coach Neil Eckman

Girls Wrestling State Finalist

Khloe Perez, 4th Place at 110 lbs.
Head Coach Alberto Guevara

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Forensics State Finalist

Ben Battisto, 3rd place in Informative Speaking
Head Coach Grace Rangira

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Envirothon Champions



Matter of Pride

Student Services hosted the March Matter of Pride Ceremony on March 21, 2025. For those that are not familiar with our Matter of Pride Award, it was created over 30 years ago at West as a way to recognize students with outstanding character. This is the only award at West that focuses on a student's kindness, willingness to help others, going above and beyond for their school and/or community, and positive attitude. Basically, Matter of Pride recipients are what makes West the Best!

Congratulations to our **March** Award Recipients:

**Mia Blabolil, Saul Calderon, Emily Freiburger,
Yajaira Gonzalez Uribe, Taylor Loughlin, Omar Patel,
Gabrielle Parke and Leon Trujillo. (Not Pictured) Syaron Siwa**



Student Recognition Convo

On Wednesday, April 23, 2025 at 7:30 pm, Glenbard West High School is excited to host over 450 students at our 2025 Student Recognition Convocation. This convocation proudly recognizes our Freshmen students for high honors, as well as Freshmen, Sophomore and Junior students for departmental recognition. We are looking forward to sharing this evening with our students and their families.

Seniors are recognized at the Senior Recognition Convocation on May 6th, and Sophomores and Juniors will receive their high honor recognition at a later date during school hours.

Congratulations to our students and their families! We look forward to seeing you at this incredible event.




**SIMON SAYS...
VOLLEY FOR A CURE**

**GLENBARD
WEST
VS NAPERVILLE
CENTRAL**

APRIL 10 AT 6 pm

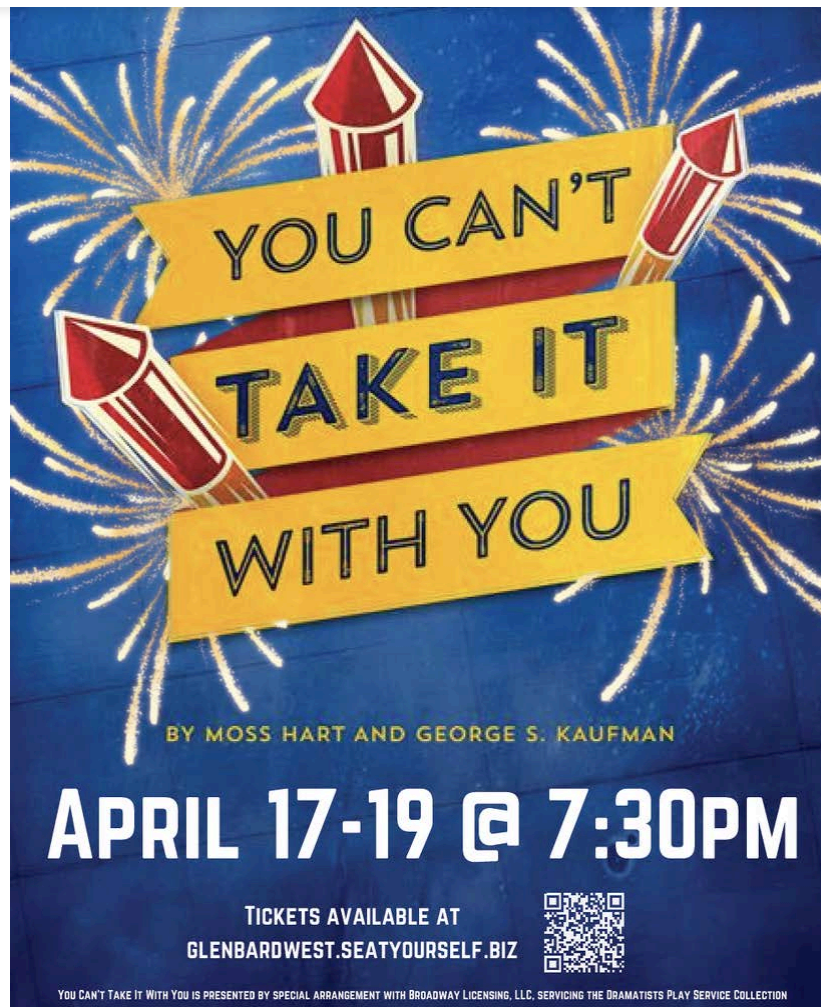
Pack Biester, cheer on the Toppers,
and help Glenbard West boys volleyball
SPIKE OUT pediatric cancer as we raise money
for Children's Hospital of Philadelphia.

Show your support!
Order your "volley for a cure" t-shirt here:
<https://store.glenbard.org/#!/products/B67GFAMPCW>



Order Your T-Shirt Here

SPRING PLAY
April 17th - 19th



Glenbard West Theatre will present its Spring comedy, "You Can't Take It With You," from April 17 through April 19.

Written by George S. Kaufman and Moss Hart

The Sycamores are not your typical family—they collect snakes, make fireworks, and dance around the house in their pursuit of self-fulfillment. Alice, the "normal" granddaughter, falls in love with her boss's son, the heir of a business empire. The two get engaged and Alice's now-fiancé and his parents accidentally show up to meet the eccentric Sycamore family a day early, setting off a series of hilarious events.

Tickets are \$10

[Click Here to Purchase Tickets](#)

Mandatory Senior Meeting

We are thrilled to celebrate the Class of 2025 and all the exciting events ahead! To kick things off, there will be a **mandatory senior meeting on Monday, April 7th**, during Advisory Hour in the auditorium.

During this meeting, seniors will receive important information regarding **end-of-year expectations, graduation timelines and activities, transferring their Google Drive to a personal account, and completing the Senior Survey**. Additionally, we will emphasize the importance of finishing strong and leaving Glenbard West with pride.

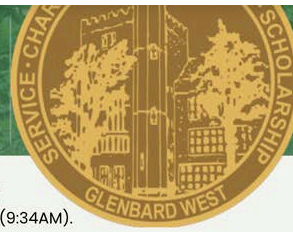
Please remind your seniors to attend this crucial meeting. **Morning TCD students will receive specific instructions for attendance from Ms. Blackmon.**

Thank you for your support—we look forward to an exciting finish to the school year!

Sincerely,

Peter Baker
Assistant Principal for Student Services

Important Dates



Mandatory Senior Meeting

April 07

All Seniors report to Auditorium during Glenbard Hour (9:34AM). Seniors will receive important graduation and end-of-year details.

All Graduation Forms Due

April 25

Complete Senior Survey

May 02

All seniors must complete their Senior Survey by May 2nd (to be included in school newspaper) or May 16th (to be in senior celebration video and satisfy your graduation requirement).

Senior Honors Convocation

May 06

Auditorium at 7:30 PM

All Financial Obligations Due

May 07

This includes iPad, School Fees, Library Fees, Athletic Fees & Lunch Fees

Cap & Gown Pick-Up

May 16

On May 16, 2025 during Glenbard Hour, all Seniors will be required to report to Biester Gymnasium to receive their Cap and Gown.

Senior Last Day

May 16

Seniors will be dismissed at 3:00pm. All Seniors (except athletes in season) will be expected to leave campus and not return until graduation rehearsal on May 20th.

Graduation Practice/ Senior Picnic

May 20

All participants need to report to the Field House by **10:00 AM**. Participants will receive their seating assignment and practice the ceremony. Afterwards, the entire Senior class will take part in sharing memories, celebrating and enjoying delicious food at the Senior Picnic. The picnic starts at 12:00 PM and ends by 2:00 PM. **Upon exit, graduates will receive their commencement tickets for family members.**

Commencement Day

May 22

All participants need to report to the Field House by **5:00 PM**. Participants should wear dress attire and shoes. Those who arrive in inappropriate attire will be asked to change or NOT march in the ceremony.

Seniors-

- Attend Senior Meeting on April 7th
- Remind family to complete commencement participation form by April 25.
- Continue working hard and attending school.
- May 20 report for Graduation Rehearsal at 10:00 am sharp.
- May 22 report for Commencement Ceremony at 5:00pm.
- Wear dress attire/shoes to Commencement.
- DO NOT decorate your cap and/or gown in any manner.
- Students who arrive in inappropriate attire, will be asked to change or NOT march in the processional.
- Respect your accomplishment and your classmates as well by not drawing attention away from the event.

Family-

- [Complete Commencement Participation Form](#) by April 25.
- [Complete Extra Ticket Form](#) (if necessary) by April 25.
- Arrive early to the ceremony- gates will open at 4:30 p.m. No guests will be admitted onto Duchon after 6:00 pm.
- Avoid bringing umbrellas or balloons in bleachers.
- No saving of seats (first come, first serve basis).
- Hold your applause until all names have been read. We want everyone to hear each graduate's name announced.



iPads	Seniors need to complete an iPad Buyout or return their iPad to the Help Desk by May 7th. If you've rented for four years there is NO buyout.
Library	Seniors need to return all rented library books May 7th.
Commencement Tickets	Seniors must have all financial and academic obligations resolved to receive their commencement tickets. These will be distributed after graduation rehearsal on May 20th. Each graduating senior will receive four (4) tickets for the ceremony. Students may request up to two (2) additional tickets by completing the Complete Extra Ticket Form by April 25th.
Caps & Gowns	Caps & Gowns will be distributed during Glenbard Hour on May 16th. If you have not yet ordered a cap and gown, contact Herff Jones immediately at (815) 756-4743 or visit www.highschool.herffjones.com .
Commencement Video	Communication Resource Management will be providing a Digital Download of the Commencement Video for all interested parties. To order your Digital Download please visit: http://mygraduationvideo.com/
Grad Pictures	Gradimages is the official photographer for the Commencement Ceremony. Each graduate will be photographed and the proofs will be available for viewing soon after the event at www.gradimages.com .
Livestream Link	The ceremony can be seen live using THIS LINK
Rain Date	Friday, May 23rd at 6:00 PM is the rain date for the ceremony. If there is inclement weather, the ceremony will be moved inside. In this instance, only the four (4) original tickets can be used for the indoor ceremony.

[Click Here to Access Detailed Information and Links](#)

PROM EXPERIENCE



This year's prom will take place on Saturday, April 26th, and West Nation is busy planning a memorable experience for the juniors and seniors. Tickets for the full **Prom Experience** OR **Post Prom Only** are available online or in-person during the days/times listed below:

Online: March 14 – April 11

In Person: April 7/8/11 during lunch

Post Prom Only: April 11 during lunch

[Click Here to Purchase Prom Experience or Post Prom Tickets](#)

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JUNIOR SENIOR PROM EXPERIENCE SATURDAY, APRIL 26, 2025



What is the Prom Experience?

The Prom Experience is a combination of Prom and Post Prom. All students attending Prom will also attend Post Prom. Luxury buses will move the students to/from events, providing a safe environment for all.

Prom

Formal dinner and dance occasion for juniors and seniors.

Post Prom

Celebration after prom in a safe, supervised environment for all juniors and seniors. Ackerman is transformed into a themed event including decorations, food, music, activities, and prizes

Who Can Attend?

Glenbard West Prom has always been a Junior & Senior event. All Juniors and Seniors are encouraged to attend the Prom Experience (not only Junior class board members). Post Prom only is an option available to juniors and seniors.

Time

Check-in begins (Ackerman): 5:30pm
Bus Departure: 6:30pm
Prom (Dinner/Dance): 7:00-10:30pm
Post Prom: 10:30pm-2:00am
Students will not be permitted to leave Post Prom until 1:00am.

Tickets

- \$150 per person/\$300 per couple
- Sold online and during lunch periods
- Post Prom only - \$35 advance, \$40 door
- Waivers must be signed

Clothes Check

Students may check coats and a change of clothes for post prom, upon arrival to Ackerman. Bags will be supplied. Check area is managed by adults.

What happens at Post Prom?

Students may freely choose activities such as inflatables, DJ, karaoke, card tables, bingo, henna, chair massage, and games. Drawing for fantastic prizes (AirPods, Mac Book Air, Mini fridges, Playstation 5, Cubs tickets, Smart TVs, Bose Speakers, thousands of dollars in cash prizes, Gift cards to your favorite stores and restaurants and much more).

Prizes announced at 1:00am. Must be present to win.

Get a jump start on spring gardening and support the Post Prom committee by purchasing beautiful flower pots from Windy Acres Farm. These pots will be used for decorating during Post Prom and available for pick up the morning after.

**GET A JUMP ON SPRING DECORATING!**

Purchase these beautiful flower pots from Windy Acres Farm and support our Junior/Senior Post Prom event - the flowers are gorgeous and last all summer long!
Flower Sale Organized by West Nation

PLANTERS AVAILABLE:

1. SMALL 12" round - \$40 for partial to full sun
2. MEDIUM 14" round - \$55 for partial to full sun
3. LARGE 16" round - \$65 for partial to full sun

WE ASK THAT YOU:

- Allow us to use your flowers to decorate for our event on **SATURDAY, APRIL 26th**
- Pick up your pots **SUNDAY, APRIL 27th** between **10AM & NOON** at ACKERMAN SPORTS & FITNESS CENTER - 800 St. Charles Drive, Glen Ellyn

PLACING ORDERS:

- Email cradeckiolsen@gmail.com or call/text (312) 560-1093 with selection(s)
- All orders due by Wednesday, April 23rd

PAYMENT OPTIONS:

- Cash or Checks Payable to West Nation, mailed/dropped off to Carla Olsen - 238 Forest Ave - Glen Ellyn **please include email address to verify receipt**
- Venmo: @Carla-Olsen-23
- Zelle: cradeckiolsen@gmail.com

Thanks for supporting our Post Prom Event!

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We need your help! We are in need of volunteers and donations to make Post Prom a success.
Please consider contributing via the link below:

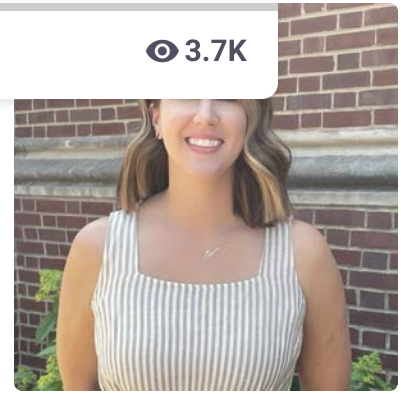
[Click Here to Volunteer or Donate to Post Prom](#)

**MS. SARA KUSH, ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL FOR
INSTRUCTION**

preACT & ACT Testing



best on these important standardized tests. Not only do these scores provide students and families with key information on their strengths and areas for growth across content areas and skills, they are also used as part of our course recommendation process. Additionally, teachers refer to these data points to provide individualized and group-level academic support in the subsequent school year.



As a reminder, students will need to bring their student ID, fully-charged iPad, pencils and approved calculator. Please note that students will not be able to access their phones during the entirety of the testing session.

On Monday, April 7, all freshmen, sophomore and junior students will complete important digital readiness steps during Glenbard Hour in advance of testing. Any students who are absent from their Glenbard Hour should reach out to Mr. Bergantino immediately to be sure they are able to complete the important pre-testing steps prior to testing.

Families of juniors should read the [Information on Sending ACT Scores](#) which covers important information regarding two available options for juniors to send their ACT scores to colleges and/or universities for free. Each option has a deadline so it is important to review this information carefully.

preACT scores will be shared with families once they become available. There is no account setup required.

As a reminder, testing information is outlined below:

- **preACT for Freshmen and Sophomores**

- Test Date: **Wednesday, April 9, 2025**
- Freshmen and Sophomores will both take the digital preACT. Students testing with standard time are scheduled to be dismissed at 11:25am. ***This is a non-attendance day for juniors and seniors.***

- **School Day ACT for Juniors**

- Test Date: **Thursday, April 10, 2025**
- All juniors will take the digital ACT with Writing. Students testing with standard time are scheduled to be dismissed at 12:40pm. A snack will be provided during the break, though students are allowed to bring their own as well. ***This is a non-attendance day for freshmen, sophomores, and seniors.***

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Additional resources are available below.

preACT Resources for Freshmen & Sophomores:

- [preACT Student Prep Guide](#) includes test-taking tips and information on the preACT and its sections
- [preACT practice test](#) includes a full practice test that students can use to familiarize themselves with the preACT sections and questions

ACT Resources for Juniors:

- [ACT Student Prep Guide](#) includes a full practice test, detailed test information and test-taking strategies
- [ACT vs. SAT \(from ACT\)](#) reviews the key differences between the tests through the various sections

AP Update

AP exams are right around the corner! Our [Glenbard West 2025 AP Testing Schedule](#) is now available for students and families to review. Please note that this is a live document and may change in alignment with space availability and capacity as we near May.

As all exams have been ordered at this point in the year, please have your student log into their College Board account to confirm that the correct year-long, 1st semester and/or 2nd semester courses are showing in their myAP classroom. All courses that appear represent exams ordered unless otherwise indicated. If you know that your student no longer intends to take one or more of the exams ordered or you identify conflicts with any of the exam dates listed, please contact the office of the API as soon as possible to review available options.

It is important that families review our latest edition of the [AP Guide for Families - Vol. 3](#) / [AP Guide for Families Vol. 3 - Spanish](#) which covers important information and answers frequently asked questions about AP exams.

To ensure you receive the most up-to-date information regarding AP exams, be sure you join our AP Remind by texting @gbwaptest to the number 81010 or clicking [here](#). For any questions or concerns regarding AP exams, please contact the office of the Assistant Principal for Instruction at 630-942-7471 or by email to zeenat_hussain@glenbard.org or sara_kush@glenbard.org.

Second Semester Final Exam Schedule

The final exam schedule for the second semester can be found below. Please note that students are not allowed to take early final exams due to a pre-arranged absence or family vacation. If these situations arise, students can either take their exam(s) during our makeup periods or receive an Incomplete and make up the exams over the summer. If you know that your student will miss final exams, please alert our Deans' Office as soon as possible.

	8:00 - 9:25	9:25 - 9:55	9:55 - 11:00	11:00 - 11:10	11:10 - 12:55	12:45 - 1:45
Day 1 Wednesday 5.21.25	Period 5 Exam	Break	Period 3 Exam	Break	Period 7 Exam	Resource Period
Day 2 Thursday 5.22.25	Period 6 Exam	Break	Period 2 Exam	Break	Period 8 Exam	Resource Period
Day 3 Friday 5.23.25	Period 4 Exam	Break	Period 1 Exam	Break	Rescheduled/ Makeup Exam	Resource Period

Students who miss an exam due to an unexpected absence can make arrangements with their teacher to take the exam during the Makeup Exam slot on Friday at 11:10 a.m.

Students who have three exams on either Wednesday or Thursday may elect to change or move one of their exams to the Makeup Exam slot on Friday at 11:10 a.m. A rescheduled exam form must be completed and approved at least one week prior to the exam (Wednesday, 5/15). Students can pick-up the required form in the Dean's office.

BUS SCHEDULE FOR FINAL EXAMS

(There will be regular morning bus service on all exam days.)

	<u>Morning Bus Routes</u>	<u>Regular Bus Depart West</u>	<u>Activity Bus Depart West</u>	<u>Athletic Bus Depart West</u>
Day 1 Wednesday 5.21.25	Regular Route	12:45	1:55	4:30
Day 2 Thursday 5.22.25	Regular Route	12:45	1:55	4:30
Day 3 Friday 5.23.25	Regular Route	11:10	No Activity Bus Needed	2:00

MR. PETER BAKER, ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL FOR STUDENT SERVICES

Our Glenbard West Related Services Team is dedicated to providing interventions and support for all students. If your child is struggling from emotional barriers that are preventing them from succeeding in class, please do not hesitate to contact any of our dedicated staff members. I am excited to introduce our team!



Back row: Max Hufnagle, Nisa Gabbidon, Jaclyn Reeves, Pam Hagstrom, Deandra Bass
 Front row: Lisa Cunningham, Jessica Walters, Peter Baker, Amanda Meyer, Bridget Mazzone

STUDENT SERVICES PERSONNEL

Name	Title	Team	Phone Number	Email Address
Deandra Bass	Social Worker	Dean Blackmon; Counselors: Neberz, Ochoa, Keely (V-Z)	630-942-7455	deandra_bass@glenbard.org
Bridget Mazzone	Social Worker	Dean Billone; Counselors: Rubino, Sieck, Wiencek	630-942-7457	bridget_mazzone@glenbard.org
Jaclyn Reeves	Social Worker	N/A	630-942-7548	jaclyn_reeves@glenbard.org
Jessica Walters	Social Worker	Dean Meister; Counselors: Bergantino, Culloton, Keely (S-U)	630-942-7454	jessica_walters@glenbard.org
Nisa Gabbidon	School Psychologist	Deans Meister & Blackmon; Counselors: Bergantino, Culloton, Keely (S-U), Neberz, Ochoa, Keely (V-Z)	630-942-7458	nisa_gabbidon@glenbard.org
Amanda Meyer	School Psychologist	Deans Billone & Blackmon; Counselors: Rubino, Sieck, Wiencek, Neberz, Ochoa, Keely (V-Z)	630-942-7742	amanda_meyer@glenbard.org
Lisa Cunningham	Assistant to Activities	N/A		lisa_cunningham@glenbard.org
Max Hufnagle	Assistant to Student Services	N/A		max-hufnagle@glenbard.org



Left to right front row: Beatriz Ferreria, Mary Yangas, Rhiannon Sieck, Natalie Rubino, and Lissete Ochoa. Second row: Patty Fanella, Kate Culloton, Jeremiah Weincek and Matt Brodhead. Back row: Tad Keely, Mike Neberz, and Tony Bergantino.



College 101 - Summer School Enrichment Registration Now Open!

August 4th & 5th
2:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

This two-day summer school enrichment course is for rising seniors. Students will finalize their college list in SchoolLinks, begin their Common Application and get a jump start on their college essays. Come join the school counselors for this hands-on workshop and get ahead of the college

FROM THE DEANS' OFFICE

Monthly Attendance Insights: Every Day Counts

Showing up matters for **R.E.A.L.** because it is an opportunity to:

- Build **R**outines
- Increase **E**ngagement
- Provide **A**ccess to resources
- Support **L**earning



Routines: A daily attendance routine can help students reduce stress and develop habits that are valuable for their future careers.

Engagement: Being at school gives students a chance to interact with friends and build relationships with teachers and staff.

Access to Resources: When students show up to school, they can get access to meals, health services, mental health supports, and extracurricular activities such as sports, clubs, music, and after-school or summer programs.

Learning: Students who miss less than a week of school each semester are more likely to pass their classes and graduate from high school.

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2025-2026 Parking Applications

The 2025-2026 Parking Application has been shared with all students via Schoology. If you have any students interested in applying for a Glenbard West parking spot for the upcoming

school year, please make sure your student checks Schoology as soon as possible. Applications are due by April 11th by the end of the day. All students will receive an email by May 9th informing them if they are receiving a spot for the 2025-2026 school year or if they have been placed on the waitlist. Please reach out to Mr. Billone at nicholas_billone@glenbard.org with any questions.

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Remember!

All absences must be communicated with our Attendance Office before 10:30. Call (630) 858-5060 anytime, day or night to speak with one of our Attendance Office Assistants or leave a voicemail.

Need Help?

Sometimes, speaking up is not the easiest thing to do. If you know your student is struggling to confide or communicate with their Dean or another school official regarding something serious, harmful, or dangerous, Glenbard West provides this [Hilltopper Help Form](#) below to report it.

Additionally, students can text a CRISIS Test Line: Text HOME to 74141 which sends information to a Crisis Counselor, a real-life human trained to help individuals return to a healthy/stable level of functioning.

Last year, the State of Illinois launched a school safety program called Safe2Help Illinois to raise awareness of the 21st-century threats facing school children in Illinois. Safe2Help Illinois will offer students a safe, confidential way in which to share information that might help prevent suicides, bullying, school violence, or other threats to school safety. This program is intended to get students to "Seek Help Before Harm." Call 844-472-3345 or Text 72332(SAFE2) to report.

Go West!

MR. JOE KAIN, ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL FOR ATHLETICS

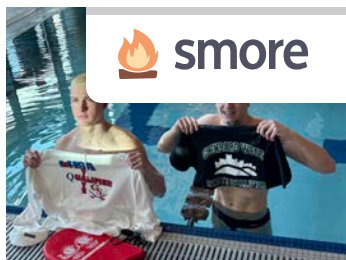
The winter athletic season was amazing with all of the postseason success in a variety of sports. Here are just a few of the highlights:

Congratulations to Glenbard West Swimmer **Corey Beard** who qualified for the IHSA Boys Swimming State Finals in the 200 IM.

Congratulations to **Ayden Rodriguez** who finished 25th at the IHSA Boys Bowling State Finals.

Congratulations to IHSA Girls Gymnastics State Qualifiers **Leah Chapski** and **Grace Flint**.





Corey Beard



Ayden Rodriguez



Girls Gymnastics State Qualifiers

Congratulations to IHSA Boys Wrestling State Qualifiers **Aidan Ortega, Carson Prunty, Vince Tortoriello, and Brandon Watson.**

Congratulations to **Khloe Perez** and **Karolina Konopka**, IHSA Girls Wrestling State qualifiers. Khloe finished 4th Place at State in her weight class.



Boys Wrestling State Qualifiers



Khloe Perez and Karolina Konopka



Girls Wrestling State Finalists

Congratulations to both our Girls and Boys Basketball teams, each winning the IHSA Sectional Championship and making the Elite Eight. This is the first time in school history where both programs have won the Sectional in the same season.



Girls Basketball Sectional Champs



Boys Basketball Sectional Champs

All schedules will constantly be updated on our athletic website as we look forward to following our Hilltopper spring sports at the following website: <https://schools.snap.app/glenbardwest>

Baseball, Softball, Boys and Girls Lacrosse, Boys and Girls Track, Girls Soccer, Boys Tennis, and Boys Volleyball. Thank you for all of your continued support as we cheer on our Hilltoppers.

At a very special junior high night at Glenbard West in Biester on April 10, the boys volleyball team will honor Simon Nabeti, the Lincoln leopard and Hadley Wildcat who died after a brief battle with cancer last October. Simon's goal was to play Topper volleyball at Glenbard West, but sadly never got the chance. In his name, the boys are raising money for pediatric cancer research at the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia by selling special t-shirts. A flier promoting our "Volley for a Cure" game with a link to where you can purchase t-shirts is listed below. (T-shirts may be purchased here: <https://store.glenbard.org/#!/products/B67GFAMPCW>).

Thank you for joining us in this special cause. We hope to see everyone on April 10 at the varsity game at 6 PM. Let's pack the stands as the team volleys for a cure!

Make sure to follow us on Instagram @glenbard_west_hilltoppers

[Click Here for Schedules of Athletic Programs](#)

SPRING BREAK OFFICE HOURS

No School - Spring Break

March 31 - April 4

Classes resume on Monday, April 7, 2025

Spring Break Office Hours:

During **Spring Break**, the Main Office will be open from March 31 through April 4.

Operation hours will be from 7:30 a.m. until 3:30 p.m.

2024- 2025 BELL SCHEDULE

MONDAY		TUESDAY		WEDNESDAY			THURSDAY			FRIDAY	
1	8:00 - 8:43	1	8:00 - 8:43	1	8:00 - 9:30		4	8:00 - 9:30		1	8:00 - 8:43
2	8:48 - 9:31	2	8:48 - 9:31	3	9:35 - 11:05		2	9:35 - 11:05		2	8:48 - 9:31
GH	9:34 - 10:14	3	9:36 - 10:19	7	11:10 - 1:25		8	11:10 - 1:25		GH	9:34 - 10:14
3	10:17 - 11:00	4	10:24 - 11:07	A	LUNCH	11:10 - 11:50	A	LUNCH	11:10 - 11:50	3	10:17 - 11:00
4	11:05 - 11:48	5	11:12 - 11:55		CLASS	11:55 - 1:25		CLASS	11:55 - 1:25	4	11:05 - 11:48
5	11:53 - 12:36	6	12:00 - 12:43	B	CLASS	11:10 - 11:55	B	CLASS	11:10 - 11:55	5	11:53 - 12:36
6	12:41 - 1:24	7	12:48 - 1:31		LUNCH	11:58 - 12:38		LUNCH	11:58 - 12:38	6	12:41 - 1:24
7	1:29 - 2:12	8	1:36 - 2:19	C	CLASS	12:41 - 1:25	C	CLASS	12:41 - 1:25	7	1:29 - 2:12
8	2:17 - 3:00	PLC	2:23 - 3:05		CLASS	11:10 - 12:40		CLASS	11:10 - 12:40	8	2:17 - 3:00
					LUNCH	12:45 - 1:25		LUNCH	12:45 - 1:25		
				5	1:30 - 3:00		6	1:30 - 3:00			

[Click Here to View Our Glenbard West Calendar](#)

2025-2026 SCHOOL CALENDAR

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August	11 - 12	All Teachers' Meetings (Institute)
	13	Staff Contractual Day (Students NOT in Attendance)
	14	First Full Day of Student Attendance
September	1	NO SCHOOL - Labor Day
October	13	NO SCHOOL - Columbus/Indigenous Peoples' Day
	22 - 23	*Students Attend School - Parent/Teacher Conferences in the Evening**
	24	NO SCHOOL - Non-Attendance Day
November	26 - 28	NO SCHOOL - Thanksgiving Recess
December	19	End of First Semester
	22	NO SCHOOL - Winter Recess Begins
	23	NO SCHOOL - Teacher's Institute
January	5	Classes Resume - Winter Recess Ends
	19	NO SCHOOL - Martin Luther King Day
	16	NO SCHOOL - Presidents' Day
February	27	NO SCHOOL - Teachers' Institute
	30	NO SCHOOL - Spring Recess Begins
	6	NO SCHOOL - Non-Attendance Day
April	7	Classes Resume - Spring Recess Over
	22	Last Day for Students
	TBD	Glenbard South Commencement
May	TBD	Glenbard West Commencement
	TBD	Glenbard East Commencement
	TBD	Glenbard North Commencement
May	26 - 29	Emergency Days
June	1	Emergency Day

* Early Dismissal on October 22 & 23, 2025

** Although October 22 & 23 are designated as Parent/Teacher Conference evenings, parents are encouraged to meet with teachers for student conferences. This can be arranged by calling the school to make an appointment at any time during the school year.

May 26, 27, 28, 29, and June 1 will be abated if not used for emergency reasons earlier.

Calendar adopted by Glenbard Township High School Board of Education on 10/14/2024.



2025-2026 School Calendar.pdf

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FOOD SERVICE

Glenbard District 87 is pleased to partner with OrganicLife as our food service provider. Information regarding OrganicLife, menu offerings, and nutrition/allergen information will be available on your high school's website this summer.

Visit www.pushcoin.com to sign up for the prepayment option with their easy-to-use system.

Please note that for the 2024-2025 school year, free meals will be available to those who qualify. Please see the "[Residency, Fees, and Financial Assistance Information](#)" page for more information.

BOOSTERS



Glenbard West Boosters is primarily a fundraising organization with more than 350 members and 125+ Board members that plans various Booster-sponsored events and fundraising activities. The funds raised enhance academic programs, athletic programs and extra-curricular activities that enrich the student experience at Glenbard West.

[Click Here for More Information About Boosters](#)

WEST NATION

West Nation proudly supports **Glenbard Parent Series (GPS)**. Visit www.GlenbardGPS.org for information on the nationally recognized speaker series for parents, students, educators and community members. The series is free and open to the public.

Please visit www.gbwnation.com to purchase a membership, make a donation and to volunteer. We invite all students and parents to be a part of WEST NATION!

Follow us on Twitter/[@GWWestNation](#) or Facebook/[GlenbardWestNation](#)

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GPS

Parent
Series

Navigating Healthy Families



Please visit our website for links and program details:
GPSParentSeries.org

Upcoming Events



Tap Into Your Intuition to Connect with Your Child and Go Easy on Yourself
Meghan Leahy
Thursday, April 10 at noon and 7 p.m.





Emotional Agility: Skills to Navigate Change and Embrace Self-Compassion
Dr. Susan David in conversation with Dr. Kristin Neff
Wednesday, April 16 at noon and 7 p.m.





This is So Awkward: Helping Kids Manage Today's T(w)een Culture – Modern Puberty Explained
Cara Natterson MD & Vanessa Kroll Bennett
Wednesday, April 23 at noon and 7 p.m.





Stop Calling them Soft Skills: The Essential Skills Employers Seek
Trevor Muir
Monday, April 28 at noon and 7 p.m.





HYBRID EVENT – Suicide Signs and Symptoms: Let's Talk About It
Dr. Jonathan Singer
Thursday, May 1 at noon and 7 p.m.
Evening program held at Carol Stream Public Library and over Zoom





Early Childhood Event – Everyday Principles to Grow Happy, Healthy and Smart Young Children
Dr. Ronald Ferguson
Tuesday, May 6 at noon and 7 p.m.



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Each week, you will receive district-wide news about students' achievements in school-sponsored activities; upcoming events; fund-raisers; school board information and more.

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LATEX ALLERGIES

Schools across the nation are experiencing more and more students who have latex allergies. Often, students with this allergy can have severe and even life-threatening reactions if exposed to latex resins and powders. For their safety, there are certain latex products we no longer allow on campus. Latex balloons and "Silly String" pose a significant health threat to students with a latex allergy. These products are not allowed on campus at any time, including after school, evening, and weekend events. With this in mind, we request your help: Please talk with your children about this health and safety issue. Some students might not understand the reason for a "balloon ban." At West, we want all parents to know that their children are safe on campus.

CRISIS TEXT LINE

Crisis Text Line - Text REACH to: 741741

This sends information to a Crisis Counselor, a real-life human being trained to help individuals return to a healthy/stable level of functioning.



SAFE2HELP ILLINOIS

Safe2Help Illinois Call 844-472-3345 or Text 72332(SAFE2)

Safe2Help Illinois offers students a safe, confidential way in which to share information that might help prevent suicides, bullying,

school violence or other threats to school safety. This program is intended to get students to "Seek Help Before Harm."

SCHOOL VIOLENCE/BULLYING TIP LINE

Students who wish to report a potential act of school violence at Glenbard West may also leave an **anonymous** message with our School Resource Officer at (630) 681-3177 or call the Bullying

Hotline C

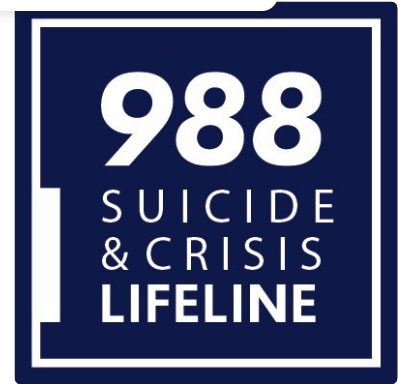


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NATIONAL SUICIDE PREVENTION LIFELINE/TEXT 988

National Suicide Prevention Lifeline Call/Text 988

This number has trained staff to answer calls and respond to texts from individuals at risk for suicide as well as those experiencing other mental health and substance use-related emergencies. Specialized services will be available for veterans, LGBTQ+ individuals, and other groups.



Glenbard West High School

Email: gw_news@glenbard.org

Website: glenbardwesths.org

Location: 670 Crescent Blvd.

Phone: [630-469-8600](tel:630-469-8600)

Instagram: [@glenbard_west_hilltoppers](https://www.instagram.com/glenbard_west_hilltoppers)

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