

# Superintendent NEWSLETTER

June 3



Dear Gull Lake Families and Staff,

This week has been filled with recognition events for students and I would like to highlight two very special events that speak to our mission statement:

*The Gull Lake Community Schools, in partnership with all stakeholders, will create a culture of high expectations and accountability where each member of the school community is challenged and inspired.*

- On Tuesday evening, the GLCS Foundation hosted our annual Distinguished Academic Scholar recognition ceremony at the Gull Lake Country Club. Thirty-six students were invited to attend with their families. These students invited an educator from their K-12 experience and were given the opportunity to honor their chosen teacher/mentor with a prepared message of thanks and appreciation. The stories were deep and meaningful, and it was clear how the relationship had changed the lives of both the student and teacher/mentor for the better.
- On Wednesday evening, twenty-four Gateway Academy graduates and their families gathered on the lawn at the Richland Area Community Center to celebrate their achievements. Many stories and messages were shared honoring the relationships and support shared between staff and students that resulted in success.

Building and sustaining quality *relationships* is part of being a lifelong learner. The more we learn, the better we can understand each other. The more we understand each other, the better solutions we find together for all of life's challenges. Here is the link to many more [GLCS Good Things](#).

Happy Friday!

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Raphael Rittenhouse'.

Raphael Rittenhouse/Superintendent  
Gull Lake Community Schools



## Updates

### GLHS Commencement

June 9, 2022, 7:00 p.m.  
Miller Auditorium @ WMU

### 1/2 day of School:

June 8th & June 9th

### Last Day of School:

June 9th