## Volume 8 Week of October 16, 2023

# PARENT NEWSLETTER

### SCHOOL PLEDGE

Right now, today, this very moment, I am capable of giving myself, the gift of absolute self-assurance, self-belief, and powerful non-stop confidence in myself.



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# "TO THROUGH AND BEYOND COLLEGE"

**MESSAGE FROM PRINCIPAL DUNGEY** 

**Glazer Parents**,

We are entering the 8th week of school. Scholars have been introduced to the NPFE Norms (Tight Right, Vertical Arm, Active Learning). We are working hard to get scholars back into a consistent schedule with school. We need your help. Please review the strategies below to support your child's academic growth.

#### How Can I Help My Child?

As a parent, you can support your child's learning both at home and at school in many ways.

**Establish** with your child a **consistent routine** for completing homework, including a regular study time and location, and encourage your child to maintain the routine.

Discuss school work, successes, concerns, and interests with your child.

**Encourage** your child to "exercise" his or her mind by doing crossword puzzles, brain teasers, and word searches.

Involve relatives and family friends to help support your child's learning.

Continue to offer praise as your child attempts new learning, and offer help and support when it is needed.

Keep in mind that children who read well usually come from homes where parents: show an interest in reading; read to their children; talk with their children about what they are reading, thinking, and doing.

DAY	ANNOUNCEMENTS	
Monday 10/16	Read and Respond Goes Home	
Donations are welcome for Math-0-Ween Candy	Spelling words & Book Clubs go home!	
Tuesday 10/17	Read and Respond Homework should come back daily Tutoring 3:45-5:30	
Wednesday 10/18	Bring Read and Respond Homework Daily!	
Thursday 10/19	Tutoring 3:45-5:30	
Friday 10/20	Read and Respond Due! Spelling Tests Turn in Book Clubs	
UPCOMING		
10/17	U of D Dental Exams	
10/25	Reading Curriculum Night 3:30-5:00	
Week of 10/25	PSAT 8th Grade & ANET Testing begins 2-7	
10/31	No – Tutoring – Math-o-Ween 4:30-6:30	
11/4	End of Quarter 1	

Although conferences were on Friday you can still schedule a check in!!! Please Dean's list your child's teacher!

**Mask Requirement** Masks will be required for staff and students if the Covid/Flu numbers begin to increase. Anyone inside the school may also be required to wear a mask.



#### Glazer Gladiator Excellence

This is our theme for the school year! Gladiators show excellence in all things we do! Excellence Is a habit at New Paradigm Glazer Academy.



GOALS FOR THE 23-24 SCHOOL YEAR	Emergency Drills
<ul> <li>PERFORMANCE</li> <li>65% of students will meet/exceed their NWEA fall to spring growth targets in both reading and math.</li> </ul>	We will practice fire, tornado, and
• MSTEP/PSAT8 proficiency will increase in both ELA and Math by 20% for grades 3-8.	active shooting drills with students. An emergency can happen at any time. We will practice drills rather it is rain or shine. This will help prepare students to know what to do before, during, and after an emergency.
• The overall college readiness percentages will increase by a minimum of 10% on the Spring PSAT assessment.	
<ul> <li>ATTENDANCE</li> <li>Chronic absenteeism will decrease by 15% in comparison to the 2022-2023 school year.</li> </ul>	
INTERVENTION • Students will have an average mastery of 80% or higher of skills during scheduled intervention time.	

The School wide Getting Along Together Challenge for the week is to demonstrate a memory strategy. Memory is important for school success. Strategies for building up your memory are:

- Focusing
- Comprehending, making sure you understand what you need to remember
- Making a mind movie, picturing in your mind what you need to remember
- Write down the information
- Listening for patterns, rhymes, and familiar words
- Making up a story about what you need to remember

If a student knows the schoolwide cooperative challenge when asked, they will win a prize!

# Bullying directly affects students' ability to learn

- According to the Center for Disease Control, students who are bullied are more likely to experience low self-esteem and isolation, perform poorly in school, have few friends in school, have a negative view of school, experience physical symptoms (such as headaches, stomachaches, or problems sleeping), and to experience mental health issues (such as depression, suicidal thoughts, and anxiety) (Center for Disease Control, Bullying Surveillance Among Youths, 2014).
- Bullying affects witnesses as well as targets. Witnesses are more likely to use tobacco, alcohol, or other drugs; have increased mental health problems; and miss or skip school <u>(StopBullying.gov).</u>
- Youth who bully others are at increased risk for substance use, academic problems, and experiencing violence later in adolescence and adulthood. Youth who bully others and are bullied themselves suffer the most serious consequences and are at greater risk for mental health and behavioral problems. (Center for Disease Control, 2017).

## **Conference Totals**

К	<mark>70%</mark>
1	<mark>55%</mark>
2	<mark>43%</mark>
3	<mark>56%</mark>
4	<mark>44%</mark>
5-8	<mark>30%</mark>

Families, Conferences are an essential part of our school partnership! If you didn't connect with your child's teacher(s) please make it a priority! These totals are not enough!

### Dean's List

Dean's List is a new platform that Glazer will be using notify parents. It will send out communications via phone call, text messages, voice mails or emails for a variety of reasons including missing work, attendance and positive and negative behavior. Deans List for Families is the app that makes it easy for Parents/Guardians and Students to access the Student's data all in one place! View your child's notifications, report cards, school bulletin boards and more! Stay up to date with your child's progress in school.



Read by Grade 3 Law

In 2016, the Michigan Legislature passed a law that requires schools to identify learners who are struggling with reading and writing and to provide additional help. The law states that third graders may repeat third grade if they are more than one grade level behind beginning with the 2019-2020 school year. More information to come.



## Staff Spotlight – Ms. April Cortez – Glazer Kindergarten Teacher

As a child growing up in a family of both

educators. I knew at a young age that teaching was my passion. Having the opportunity to profoundly impact the lives of children is one of the reason why I become a teacher. Helping each child progress in all areas of their development- academic, social, language and motor- is a challenge that I am honored to accept daily.

I studied Bachelor of Elementary Education at Tarlac State University. After 2 years of teaching in Philippines I decided to move to United Arab Emirates to continue my profession as a teacher. I taught there for 8 years with/ children of different nationalities. This will be my 11 th year in the field of teaching. I am currently working on my Master of Education at Lyceum Northwestern University.

I am a proud mother of two children, a son and a daughter. They are my inspiration to strive harder. I like to travel and explore new places. I also love trying new foods that is how I fell in love in Italian dishes. In my spare time I choose to relax by listening to pop music while having coffee. I look forward to this year and all exciting things we have in the store! NEW PARADIGM GLAZER ACADEMY. 2001 LaBelle Street FAMILY LITERACY and GAME NIGHT

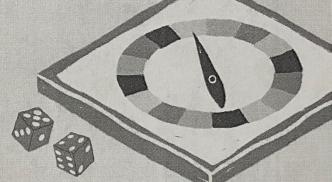


Students can Come to School Dressed as their Favorite Book Character

- Meet and build a partnership with your student's Reading Teacher
- Learn about our Success For All Reading Curriculum
- Bond with your child over family fun games, food, competition and laughter

Wednesday, October 25, 2023 3:30-5:00 PM

> FREE READING RESOURCES AND BOOKS



#### LIGHT SNACKS AND REFRESHMENTS

The first (5) familes will receive a door prize

We will also be raffling off (6) prizes for parents in attendance.