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NEWSLETTER OF GLENCOE-SILVER LAKE SCHOOL DISTRICT #2859

PROUDLY SERVING THE COMMUNITIES OF BISCAY, BROWNTON, GLENCOE, NEW AUBURN, PLATO, AND SILVER LAKE

Fall 2021

Start of School 2021



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Welcome to the 2021-2022 School Year at GSL. All of us at GSL are looking forward to what hope's to be a "normal" school year. With that said, we've come to anticipate and even expect change. With all that has happened over the past year and a half or so, we've all dealt with "a lot" and "a lot of change". We are excited to have our school year be one where in-person learning is the norm. This is what we want and hope to have.

During this pandemic, we saw unprecedented changes to our world, state, and country in which we live. With all this change, the learning continues. We've experienced much and have learned much from this time frame in our lives. In moving forward, I am excited to take what we have learned from the past, and apply it to make things better for our students, families, and community.

I want to thank all of you for your flexibility, patience, and grace as we look forward to the 2021-2022 school year. Our mission continues to be the same. "Creating a culture where education is valued, excellence is expected, and life-long learning thrives." Our Vision statement is "To Connect, To Lead, and To Inspire "our students every day. As we continue to move along in the school year, we will provide necessary information and communicate with you on any potential changes that may occur. In the meantime, lets prepare for a great start, with our students all back and making each day a great one.

After all, each day is a gift, that is why we call it the "present".

Thank you for being a part of GSL. At GSL, we promote the "GET TO" mindset that encourages that positive outlook on things. We "GET TO" have a great school year! Let's get excited!

WELCOME BACK TO SCHOOL!

Check In Day & First Day of School

Lincoln Elementary School
K through 2nd Grade
"CHECK IN DAY" SEPT. 1 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM
SEPT. 7 8:00 AM - 3:00 PM
SEPT. 8 FIRST DAY OF CLASSES **K-2**

Lakeside Elementary School
3rd through 6th grade
"CHECK IN DAY" SEPT. 1 10:00 AM -6:00 PM
SEPT. 7 8:00 AM - 3:00 PM
Sept. 8 - First Day of Classes **3-6**

GSL JUNIOR/SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL
Grades 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12
OPEN HOUSE SEPT. 1 3:00 PM TO 6:00 PM
Sept. 7 - First Day of Classes **7-12**

Check in Dia y Primer Dia de Escuela

Escuela Elemental Lincoln
Kindergarten a Grado 2
Check in Día Septiembre 1 10:00 am- 6:00 pm
Septiembre 7 8:00 am - 3:00 pm
Sept. 8 - Primer Día de Clases **K-2**

Escuela Elemental Lakeside
Grados 3 a 6
Check in Día Septiembre 1. 10:00 am a las 6:00 pm
Septiembre 7, 8:00 am a las 3:00 pm
Septiembre 8 - Primer Día de Clases **3-6**

GSL Junior/Senior High School
Grados 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12
Casa Abierta Septiembre 1, 3:00 pm a las 6:00 pm
Septiembre 7 - Primer Día de Clases **7-12**

Important Dates

- Sept. 14- Lincoln Elementary Picture Day
- Sept. 16 - Lakeside Elementary Picture Day
- Sept. 17 - JR High/SR High Picture Day
- Flu Shot Clinic-Sept. 21 @ Lakeside Elem. 2:30 - 4:30 P.M.
- Flu Shot Clinic-Sept. 23 @ GSL HS Media Center 3:00 - 5:00 P.M.

Parent Teacher Conference Dates:

Lincoln & Lakeside Elementary:

- Oct. 18 and 19 - Evening K-6 Parent-Teacher Conferences
- Oct. 20 - K-6 Daytime Conferences - No Students

Glencoe-Silver Lake JR/SR High School:

- Oct. 18 - Gr. 7-12 Evening conferences
- Oct. 20 - 7-12 Teacher Inservice - No Students

- Oct. 21 No School K-12 - Education MN Conference
- Oct. 22 No School K-12 - Education MN Conference



* Full calendar available on www.gsl.k12.mn.us

School Hours

School	Start	End
Lincoln Elementary	8:00	3:00
Lakeside Elementary	8:00	3:00
GSL JR/SR High School	8:12	3:15

Horas Escolares

Escuela	Comienzo	Fin
Lincoln Elemental	8:00	3:00
Lakeside Elemental	8:00	3:00
GSL JR/SR High School	8:12	3:15

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SCHOOL DISTRICT PATRON



Glencoe-Silver Lake Junior/Senior High School

It is hard to believe that the start of the school year is just around the corner, but here we are! I hope this newsletter finds you all healthy and excited for the 2021-2022 school year. As you may have heard, GSL Junior High/Senior High start times have changed. The new times are listed below:

2021-2022 Schedule

Senior High:

1st Hour	8:12 AM - 9:01 AM (49 Minutes)
2nd Hour	9:05 AM - 9:54 AM (49 Minutes)
3rd Hour	9:58 AM - 10:47 AM (49 Minutes)
4th Hour	10:51 AM - 11:40 AM (49 Minutes)
PPH/Lunch	11:40 AM - 12:40 AM (60 Minutes)
5th Hour	12:40 PM - 1:29 PM (49 Minutes)
6th Hour	1:33 PM - 2:22 PM (49 Minutes)
7th Hour	2:26 PM - 3:15 PM (49 Minutes)

Junior High:

1st Hour	8:12 AM - 9:01 AM (49 Minutes)
2nd Hour	9:05 AM - 9:54 AM (49 Minutes)
3rd Hour	9:58 AM - 10:47 AM (49 Minutes)
Lunch	10:51 AM - 11:21 AM (30 Minutes)
WIN	11:21 AM - 11:47 AM (26 Minutes)
4th Hour	11:47 AM - 12:36 PM (49 Minutes)
5th Hour	12:40 PM - 1:29 PM (49 Minutes)
6th Hour	1:33 PM - 2:22 PM (49 Minutes)
7th Hour	2:26 PM - 3:15 PM (49 Minutes)

As you may have noticed, we have added a WIN time to the Junior High Schedule. WIN stands for “What I Need”. This is a small version of the Panther Power Hour that has been utilized at the Senior High level for the past few years. WIN time will allow Junior High Students time to be social, active, access to quiet study, or small group intervention assigned by classroom teachers.

In addition to a new schedule, we also have new faces that have been added to the teaching staff of GSL. I am excited to introduce the following new teachers: Emily Konerza (Math), Ashley Braun (Spanish), Sundee Kuechle (Spanish), Lisa Kuphal (SPED), Cole Petersen (Junior High PE/Health), Joe Copas (Junior High PE/Health), and Morgan Henke (Junior High Math).

With all of these changes, I would like to stress the importance of communication between home and school. GSL utilizes multiple modes of communication. One area that we hope parents take advantage of is Campus Portal. Campus Portal is a means for parents to monitor their student’s progress in school. If you need help getting set up on Portal, please contact the High School Office, we’d love to help! Our school’s website is also packed with information for students and parents. Here you will find all staff contact information. When questions arise throughout the school year, I encourage a direct email or phone call with teachers as they are the experts at school when it comes to your student. Face-to-face meetings are also available whenever needed. The staff at GSL would love to get to know you better! Although we have several means of communication, I am always open to suggestions that you may have to increase effectiveness in this area.

I am excited to embrace change and welcome back all the smiling faces to GSL for the 2021 - 2022 school year.
Have a great rest of the summer and see you all soon!



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Lincoln Elementary & Lakeside Elementary Welcome Back!



The start of school is fast approaching and elementary staff members at Lincoln & Lakeside are eager to welcome our students back to school! As your educational partners, we know that parent/guardian involvement and home/school connections are crucial to your child’s success. Our check-in appointments at Lincoln & Lakeside will provide an opportunity for parents and school staff to partner in support of children.

Lincoln & Lakeside Check-in Days

Check-in appointments with your child’s teacher are scheduled for Wednesday, 9/1 and Tuesday 9/7. Detailed information was sent to your home and email earlier in August. Please call Kim Ruschmeier (Lincoln) at 320-864-2666 or Lori Hatlestad (Lakeside) at 320-864-2500 with questions.

Student Placement

Your child’s classroom placement is determined by academic needs, behavior characteristics, and overall composition of students at individual grade levels. Teaching staff spent hours of thoughtful work in spring to place children in a classroom that will support learning at the highest level. Your written input, if provided, was considered during these placement sessions.

Changes in classroom placement will not be made at this time.
Please welcome the opportunities provided by a new school year!



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Hello from Chef Tony



It's time to get back to school. This year is going to be great as we get back to a normal school year. We will still be providing safe and nutritious meals to everyone while still giving you the best tasting food and a great breakfast and lunch experience.

Chartwells K12

At Glencoe-Silver Lake Schools we are eager to welcome you and your student back to the school café with new flavors, menu stations, and events that are sure to inspire a healthy and fun 2021-22 school year!

Breakfast and Lunch

Breakfast and lunch will look a little more normal than the last year and a half, you will be able to get your own tray, pick up your own silverware and move through the lines freely.

New food items

To get our breakfast rolling with more participation we will be starting a fruit smoothie bar for breakfast daily. It will be located on our coffee bar, we will have a staff member making a different smoothie every day. The cost will be \$1.50 if you just want the smoothie, or it is free as a reimbursable breakfast, you will need to take a grain item that will be offered with the smoothie.

Serving Smiles

GSL Jr/Sr high will have a "food court" style servery that will include a Pizza Station, Grill Station, Create Station and the Traditional Lunch Station as well as ala carte options and an "On the Go" station for grab and go options. Plus, every Wednesday we will have Chef Tony's Omelet bar for breakfast! Lakeside will have its traditional serving in the main line of the cafeteria with a second option for lunch that will be asked of your child in the class room what choice they want.

Snacks

An after-school snack program will be offered at the high school café for students participating in an afterschool activity such as athletic practices, Community Education programs and much more. Students may have a snack for free this year. A second snack will cost \$1.10.

Fresh Produce and Local Partners

Chartwells K-12 and GSL are proud to support local farmers and companies, bringing students the freshest possible produce. Local produce will be served to the students from several local farmers through Bix Produce.

Dietary Needs

Chartwells believes that managing food allergies is not just about helping children avoid the foods to which they are allergic, it is also about providing safe and nutritious meals in an environment in which they feel comfortable and accepted. All special dietary requests must have a written request from a physician submitted to the school nurse and/or the food service office. A copy of the special dietary request may be found on the school website or the school nurse's office.

Mobile Menus are in Your Hands

Introduced Three years ago, Nutrislice brings the power of the school menu, nutrition and allergen information right to the palm of your hand! In addition to nutrition information, Nutrislice tells the café menu story with real photos taken by Chartwells chefs in schools, full menu descriptions as well as café event information, nutrition education and food stories helping students connect the food they eat in the café to its origins and health benefits.

Nutrislice is available online through smartphones and the web! Download the free Nutrislice App from the App Store (iOS) or Google Play (Android) and search for your menus or find them on the web: <http://gls.nutrislice.com>.

About Chartwells K12

Chartwells K12 is a proud partner with Glencoe-Silver Lake. Our Eat. Learn. Live. philosophy guides our team in delivering on each component of our promise from great food (eat) to developing food and nutrition education (learn), and focusing on the whole child through key partnerships that support students in and out of the café (live).

Tony Menk, Food Service Director

Chartwells School Dining Services

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Visit: www.Chartwellsk12.com or

<http://chartwellsk12.compass-usa.com/glencoesilverlake>

Title IX policy

Title IX Coordinator: Superintendent of Schools

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Whereas, Chapter 173, Minnesota Laws of 1975, requires that districts comply with both state and federal law prohibiting discrimination and Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, and the regulations promulgated thereunder require the adoption of an anti-discrimination policy. The Glencoe-Silver Lake School Board reviews this policy regularly. The most current update is 12/14/2020. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of Independent District No. 2859 agrees to comply with federal and state law prohibiting discrimination and all requirements imposed by or pursuant to regulations issued thereto, to the end that no person shall, on the grounds of race, color, national origin, creed, religion, sex, marital status, status with regard to public assistance, age or disability be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination under any educational program or in employment, or recruitment, consideration or selection; therefore, whether full-time or part-time under any education program or activity operated by the District for which it receives federal financial assistance.

Student-School Health Information



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As you prepare for the return to school, here is what you need to know about keeping your child safe and healthy at school:

- Every year GSL's Health Department asks you to fill out a health survey for each of your students. It is very important that you fill this out to the fullest extent each academic year. We do not keep this form from year to year. Old information does not carry over. Student health surveys may be turned in during the Open house.

- **Prescription medications** cannot be given in the school setting until we have received an authorization form with signatures from both the physician and parent.

- **Inhaler/Epi pens:** Please remember that students CANNOT self-carry/self-administer unless it is advised by the physician (this information is included on the form mentioned above).

• Do you have questions regarding medication administration in schools?

Please review our policy 516, Student Medication Policy (available on GSL's website at www.gsl.k12.mn.us). If you have further questions please contact me or your student's building health office.

- **Immunizations:** Please ensure your student is up to date on their immunizations, and that you provided the school with an updated shot record. We check immunization status annually and are required to report our findings to the State of Minnesota.

- **Forms are Online!** You can access health forms mentioned, on the school website. For all students, regardless of age, select "schools" then "high school." Under the links on the right-hand side, select "health department," and on the right hand side you can find forms under "Contents." If you have additional health questions/concerns, please contact me or your student's building health office.

Health offices:

- **Please remember:** If your student is sick or unable to attend school for another reason, Please contact the appropriate **attendance line:**

Lakeside: 320-864-2503
Lincoln Elementary: 320-864-2665
GSL Junior/Senior High: 320-864-2421

Health Staff:

JR/SR High School:
Lori Eischens, LPN 320-864-2404

Lakeside Elementary:
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Lincoln Elementary:
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GSL District Nurse: Beth Jerabek,
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Glencoe-Silver Lake Schools Community Education

Welcome Glencoe-Silver Lake District community. Here at GSL we believe that learning enriches our lives at any age. Our Community Education Program provides a broad range of learning opportunities that reflect the needs and interests of our community members regardless of age. In addition, we are always looking for individuals who will share their knowledge and passions by teaching a class. If you are interested in this opportunity or would like to provide feedback on any of our programs please do not hesitate to contact me at 320-864-2696 or mmuenchow@gsl.k12.mn.us. GSL Community Education is continuing to stay up to date on the current COVID 19 Pandemic to continue to keep everyone safe and healthy. Because this situation is always changing and evolving, please be patient and aware of updates that might appear as the programs progress when new information becomes available. We work closely with the Minnesota Department of Health, Education, and the Center for Disease Control for their updated guidelines. Lastly, we want to thank everyone for the great support to make this all possible.

Please continue to watch your email for our weekly flyer of our latest activities. You can also find this information on our website at www.gsl.k12.mn.us under the Community Education tab or like our Facebook page "Panther Field House".

We appreciate your continued patience during this time! As always,
Thank you for supporting GSL Community Education.



Any Questions Please Contact
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What is "P.A.C." (Panther Adventure Club) all about?...

The P.A.C. program is offered by the GSL Community Education Department to provide child care for students attending Kindergarten (fall 2021) through 6th grade, who would normally be at home alone or without parental supervision.

Our program is designed to meet the needs ranging from: snack, homework time, gym time, group games, art projects, outdoor play, quiet, down time with board games and puzzles.

There are so many things to do at P.A.C. with friends the same age~everything your child needs to have fun in a safe and well-supervised environment, with caring and professional staff. Whether you need care every day, or you are looking for some options for your daughter or son, the Panther Adventure Club program is here for you!

Please be advised:

- When school lets out early due to weather the PAC afternoon program will be canceled. Please watch/listen for the report on the television or radio.
- When school is closed due to the weather the PAC program is closed.
- Alternate plans are necessary for your child on days when school starts late or gets out early due to weather or other emergencies. Please talk to a neighbor or friend and make arrangements for your child to go to their house in the event of an emergency school closings.
- When we go outside, in the gym, or leave the site a sign will be posted. We will try and adhere to a schedule of days and times when we leave so you will know where and when to find us.

Location:

Lincoln Elementary School
1621 16th St, E. Glencoe, MN 55336

Hours of operation:

6:30 AM - 8:00 AM Monday through Friday
(before school)
3:00 PM - 6:00 PM Monday through Friday (after school)
Participants will need to provide a schedule

Transportation:

- AM P.A.C. program, transportation to your child's school from the Lincoln P.A.C. site is provided.
- PM P.A.C. program, Transportation from your child's school to the Lincoln P.A.C. site is provided.
- Transportation times will coincide with the regularly scheduled bus routes for your child's school. Before school, drop your child off at the Lincoln P.A.C. site. After school your child will ride the bus back to Lincoln PAC site. At the end of the day, pick your child up at the Lincoln PAC site.

Meals:

Breakfast will be offered in the AM and is optional.
Snack will be offered in the afternoon and is optional.

Fees:

- Weekly fee for school year participation in both AM and PM is \$55.00 per child.
- Daily AM fee is \$4.50 and daily PM fee is \$7.00 per child.
- Non-School, Full Release days are \$26.00 per child.
- Registration Fee of \$10.00 per child needs to be paid prior to child attending the program.

Fees are based on the schedule you provide.
Students who miss due to illness or other reasons are still responsible for their full, weekly tuition.

Fees include:

- Caring/Professional staff
- Special events/programs
- Breakfast/Afternoon snack
- Choice Activities/Activity Materials
- Quality care

Dates:

- The 2021-2022 SCHOOL YEAR program begins September 7 and ends June 1.
- The 2022 SUMMER PROGRAM will begin June 2. (Dates are subject to change with the GSL school calendar)

Non-school days when P.A.C. is open if care is needed:

September 7	October 20, 21, & 22
November 29	
December 23, 27, 28, 29, 30, & 31	January 17
February 21	March 7
April 18	

Days when P.A.C. is closed:

September 6	November 25 & 26
December 24	January 3
April 15	May 30

Registrations:

- Registrations are accepted on a first-come, first-served basis with full-time registrations receiving priority over part time registrations.
- Drop-ins will be accepted, but participants must be registered with the program in order to use drop-in services.
- Participants in drop-in services require a 48 hour notification.
- Registration/Activity fees are nonrefundable. School year program participants waive Summer '22 registration fee.

Please register early if you have AM needs.

For more information call:

Jane Goettl, PAC Coordinator, at (320)-864-2693
PAC cell number: (320)-510-0116

SUPPLY LIST FOR ELEMENTARY K-6 STUDENTS

Kindergarten

1 backpack or school bag (without wheels)
1 pencil box (8 5/8" x 5 3/4" x 2 1/2")
1 small hand sanitizer (to keep in pencil box)
1 set of plug in headphones (no ear buds)
2 one-subject, wide rule, 70 count spiral notebooks
2 two-pocket folders (without clasps)
1 large Kleenex tissue
1 highlighter
1 canister disinfecting wipes (used for surfaces)
1 canister antibacterial wipes (safe on skin)
1 pkg 12 count Crayola colored pencils
1 Fiskars five-inch pointed scissors
2 packages 10-count Crayola washable markers, broad tip classic colors
2 packages 24-count Crayola crayons
12 Ticonderoga sharpened pencils
6 large Elmer’s washable glue sticks, dries clear
1 4oz bottle of Elmer’s Washable School Glue
1 eight-count set Crayola watercolor paints with brush
2 Expo low odor dry erase chisel tip assorted markers
1 One & one half (1 ½) inch 3 ring binder with clear plastic front sleeve/cover
If your last name begins with the following letters, please bring the items listed below:
A-M: 1 box of Dixie cups, 1 pkg napkins, 1 pkg small paper plates
N-Z: 1 pkg of gallon sized baggies, 1 pkg quart size baggies, 1 pkg snack size baggies

1st Grade

1 backpack/school bag (without wheels)
Water Bottle
24 sharpened Ticonderoga pencils
1 Fiskars five-inch pointed scissors
1 eight count Crayola classic color markers
1 set headphones (not ear buds)
2 packages 24-count Crayola crayons
2 giant/large Elmer’s glue sticks
1 bottle of Elmer’s liquid glue
1 5x8” plastic pencil box (no zippers or buckles)
1 yellow highlighter
1 pink eraser
2 black expo dry erase markers
2 wide ruled spiral notebooks (70 count, solid red & blue) (no glitter or designs)
2 two-pocket folders (solid red and blue) – no prongs, glitter, or designs
1 large package baby wipes
1 package napkins
1 bottle hand sanitizer (with pump)
1 package disinfecting wipes
If your last name begins with the following letters, please bring the item listed below:
A-M: 1 large box tissues & 1 roll paper towels
N-Z: 1 box gallon Zip-lock bags & 1 box sandwich size Ziploc bags

*Clipboard with Low-profile

****All students in K-6 will need a pair of Velcro or tie tennis shoes to be kept at school for Phy. Ed.

2nd Grade

1 backpack/school bag (without wheels)
1 reusable water bottle
1 plastic pencil box 5X8
12 Ticonderoga sharpened pencils
4 one-subject, wide ruled 70 count spiral notebook (solid red, green, blue, and black)
3 two pocket paper folders without clasps (solid red, blue, and green)
1 Fiskars pointed scissors
1 ten count washable broad tip markers
1 24 –count package colored Crayola pencils
1 ten count fine tip markers
2 packages 24-count Crayola crayons
6 large Elmer’s washable glue sticks
1 clipboard 9x12
2 packages disinfected wipes (Clorox)
1 bottle of hand sanitizer
1 set of headphones
1 package Expo Dry Erase markers
2 highlighters
1 pkg of baby wipes
Boys: Gallon size Ziploc bags
Girls: paper towels

3rd Grade

2 - 24-count Ticonderoga pencils
2 two-pocket folders without clasps
1 yellow chisel-tip highlighter
1 pink eraser
3 large boxes of tissues
1 pointed scissors
3 small washable glue sticks
1 zippered pencil pouch
1 set of headphones
2 wide-ruled composition books
2 canister disinfecting wipes (used for surfaces)
1 package eight-count broad tip washable markers, classic colors
1 package eight-count fine tip washable markers, classic colors
24-count Crayola crayons
1 four-count low odor dry erase markers
12-count colored pencils
1 bottle of hand sanitizer
1 reusable water bottle

4th Grade

2-24-count Ticonderoga #2 sharpened pencils
4 one-subject, wide rule, 70-count spiral notebooks (1 red, 1 yellow, 1 green, 1 blue)
1 - 12-count Crayola pre-sharpened colored pencils
1 - 24-count Crayola crayons
5 two-pocket folders (1 red, 1 yellow, 1 green, 1 blue, 1 choice)
2 red pens
1 - 24-count package eraser caps
1 five-inch pointed scissors
3 large glue sticks
1 zipper pencil pouch/bag
4 yellow highlighters
2 large boxes of tissues
2- four–count set Expo dry erase markers
3 packages, 100-count, 3x3 self-stick notes
1 set of midsize headphones (earbuds are not recommended)
1 package Crayola washable markers
3 canisters disinfecting wipes (1 for Art)
1 covered individual pencil sharpener for desk
1 low-profile* clipboard
1 reusable water bottle

5th Grade

10+ count Expo low odor dry erase, chisel tip markers
1 set of earbuds
Wireless mouse (optional)
2 packages of 24 count pencils
1 pack of pencil top erasers
1 set of 24 count colored pencils
1 large eraser
1 folder
1 calculator (standard function)
1 large zippered pencil pouch
1 yellow highlighter
1 package of 100-count 3x5 white ruled index cards
2 single-subject college-ruled notebooks
1 stick of deodorant for locker
1 scissors
3 large boxes of tissues
2 large containers of disinfecting wipes
2 large glue sticks (1 for Art)
1 yellow 2-pocket folder (health)
1 Box Quart Size Ziploc Bags (for Art)
5th BAND - Tradition of Excellence Band Method Book 1 and one ½” 3-ring binder with 5 dividers

6th Grade

Clear water bottle
1 set earbuds to keep in the classroom-NOT headphones
6 college-ruled spiral notebooks (4 red, 1 yellow, 1 blue)
3 two pocket folders (assorted colors)
1 green two-pocket paper folder (health)
1 package 12-count latex-free pink eraser caps
1 chisel-tip highlighter
1 large zippered pencil pouch
Scissors
Calculator (Standard Function) Required
2 pens (any color)
2 large boxes tissues
1 four-count Expo dry erase, chisel tip, assorted markers
1 dry erase cleaner
1 eight-count Crayola washable markers, broad tip, classic colors
1 package colored pencils
2 large washable glue sticks (1 for Art)
1 stick of deodorant for locker
6 - 12-count yellow #2 sharpened pencils
2 large containers of disinfecting wipes
1 bottle of hand sanitizer
For Health Project – 1 sheet of white tag board, thin black marker and bottle of glue (Bring in December)
6th BAND - Tradition of Excellence Band Method Book 2 and one ½” 3-ring binder with 5 dividers

5th and 6th Grade

Chromebook recommended but not required
Chromebook minimum specifications:
- Screen size of 10”
- 2 GB of RAM
- Full sized keyboard
- Wireless Connectivity
- Allows the use of Google Chrome Browser
- Minimum 6 hour battery life

SUPPLY LIST FOR JUNIOR HIGH STUDENTS GRADES 7-8

One Notebook (either wide or college rule), One Folder (with pockets) for each class (color-coded) (Unless two are indicated) If you cannot find the specific color – any color will work

Please label each notebook and folder with class name and student name in black or blue ink

* **Science** Green (two 70-page spiral notebooks for Science 7 & 8) * **Health/Phy. Ed.** Blue
* **Social** Purple (two purple notebooks for Geo 7 & History 8) * **English/ELL** Red (two notebooks for English 7 & 8, 1 additional if in ELL)
FACS/Ind. Tech/Music/Art Yellow (You will need three of these, one per trimester)

- * Pens; black, blue, (2 each), red (4 each)
 - * Markers (1 set)
 - * One set of colored pencils
 - * 1 roll of scotch tape
- * Pencils #2 pencils (2 packages)
 - * Highlighters (2 total)
 - * 1 pack of 100 3 x 5 note cards - lined on one side
 - * Jumbo book cover for Science

These supplies are for specific classes:
* Math 7/8 Scientific Calculator Texas TI-30XA
* Math 7/8 Headphones / Ear buds – needed for computers (for other subjects as well)
* Math 7/8 3-ring binder w/ three dividers
* Math 7/8 1 pencil pouch to keep calculator and supplies in for daily use
* ART Sketchbook 9 x 12 (spiral is preferable), 8th Grade can continue in last year’s sketchbook if you still have empty pages.
* Phy. Ed Tennis shoes, socks, t-shirt or sweatshirt, shorts or sweatpants
* 7th Band Tradition of Excellence Band Method Book (which you used in 6th grade band)

Chromebook minimum specifications:
* Screen size of 10” * 2 GB of RAM * Full sized keyboard
* Wireless Connectivity * Minimum 6 hour battery life * Allows the use of Google Chrome Browser

These supplies need to go to your RAP Advisor (Optional)
* Two boxes of Kleenex – give to your RAP Advisor
* One roll of paper towels – give to your RAP Advisor
* 1 pack of Broad Expo markers to be given to teacher for use in the classroom (Math)

High School Students 9-12

Other than basic supplies, if any specific item is needed, the teachers inform the students on the first day of school.

Navigating Old and New Challenges.....

As if we didn't have enough Challenges in school finance before COVID, we have certainly faced Challenges this past year along with the rest of the world. Even though our students, parents and teachers were doing in-person learning, hybrid learning and distance learning, the financial side of school kept functioning as normal as possible with the added dimension of COVID related expenses and new sources of revenue.



We were fortunate to receive additional funding to help us through this pandemic to ensure that we had funds available to meet the needs of our staff and students and to keep our buildings safe. The buckets of money that we received included CARES – Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security, GEER – Governor’s Emergency Education Relief Fund, ESSER I, ESSER II, ESSER III – Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund, ARP – American Rescue Plan, Summer Academic and Mental Health Support, Extended Summer School, City of Glencoe and McLeod County. All of this came with mandates of how the money could be used, timeframes of when the money had to be used and completing an application including a budget for each of the different funding sources. Yes, it has been a Challenge! These funds has allowed us to purchase technology, provide staff training, HVAC improvements, PPE supplies, cleaning supplies and equipment, additional staffing, extra shuttle busses, and will allow us to maintain smaller class sizes for the 2021-2022 school year and provide additional support services for students. The plan for the ESSER III funds is still being developed. ESSER III is the latest bucket of money the dsitrick will receive. All of the funds are received based on expenditures that have occurred. Therefore, we do not receive any upfront money. You have to spend it first and then submit your expenditure claim for approval to be reimbursed. It can be a Challenging process!

On to more fun Challenges. Summer building improvements. Once again, we had a long list of summer projects taking place that we feel are a great use of our Long Term Facilities Maintenance Revenue. This revenue comes to the district by utilizing state aid and local levy. The district receives approximately \$600,000 per year that can only be used for building improvements and health and safety projects. Our projects this summer included carpet/tile upgrades, wrestling room wall mats, hallway tile at the high school, bathroom remodel at the high school and at Lakeside, new ceilings and lights at Lakeside in 8 classrooms, new cafeteria floor at Lakeside, 5 new windows in the field house and a new canopy and cement work at the front entrance of the high school. We hope you get a chance to stop and notice the work that has been taking place throughout the district. Our list of projects never ends! We are fortunate to have great facilities and our Challenge is to make improvements as much as the checkbook allows.

Lastly, I cannot forget to mention the Challenge of completing the annual audit of our financial statements. We are currently finishing this Challenge and the audit will be presented to the school board at the October school board meeting. This is a stressful Challenge but one that our district office staff takes on with great effort and professionalism. The financial condition of the district continues to remain strong and the Challenge of a successful audit is rewarding.

Challenges will always be part of our jobs and without them, we would have no rewards! We will continue to meet the Challenges that we are dealt with and do the best we can to overcome them and learn along the way.

Please feel free to stop in or give me a call if you ever have any questions.



Have a great school year!
Michelle Sander, Business Manager
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GSL Elementary PTO - Directly Supporting our Schools

Despite a pandemic, the 2020-2021 school year was a busy one for the GSL Elementary PTO. This group serves kindergarten - 6th grades supporting both staff and students at Lincoln and Lakeside Elementary Schools. With support from our students, families and community, the PTO held two successful fundraisers during the pandemic; the Unhinged! Pizza sale, where we sold half-baked pizzas, cheese bread, and cookie dough, and our first annual spring flower sale. Thank you to all who participated!

With fundraisers like these, the PTO is able to receive and review grant requests from GSL staff. (This link to the grant request form can be found on the school website.) We received several applications for document cameras this year, a technology that greatly assisted the faculty while teaching remotely. We also were able to gift both buildings with recess/gym equipment, including kickballs, jump ropes and sidewalk chalk. Additionally, the PTO presented each staff member (including specialists and support staff) with a \$10.00 gift card to a local business or restaurant.

The GSL Elementary PTO is planning the Fall Festival for October of 2021; look for announcements from the school closer to the date. To contact us, send a note with your child’s teacher, “like” our Facebook or email us directly at gslelementarypto@gmail.com.



Glencoe Silver Lake Activites

- I would just like to start by thanking everyone for making the best of last year for our students. It wasn't always the easiest to deal with but we did it together, and did it well. It's now time to look to the new year. With that being said, I have listed some helpful information about GSL activities and athletics.
- Please learn to use our school's website for schedules, directions to sites, and updates. Go to www.gsl.k12.mn.us > Links > Activities Calendar. You may also view the advanced view of the calendar, which notes bus times and any noted comments. Also, click on “notify me” if you want e-mails sent when changes are made to schedules. It is also important for parents to use the GSL activity lines. Information is also listed on each activities home page > www.gsl.k12.mn.us >Activities > Athletics > Fall Sports. There is a mobile app that you can download to your phone which you will be able to connect directly to the GSL Activities Calendar > www.gsl.k12.mn.us > Links > Activities Calendar > on the right hand side scroll down > Get Mobile App and also sign up for the Notify Me notifications.
 - The Minnesota State High School League requires that all student athletes have a physical examination performed within the previous 3 years to be eligible for sports. For most students, this means when entering 7th and 10th grade. Students who had an updated or first time sports physical must turn in the form to the GSL Activities Office. Forms are available at the school or online at www.mshsl.org or on the GSL website under each sport.
 - The activity fees are also listed on the GSL website under each sport. If you need financial assistance, or would like to make payment arrangements for the fee, contact Lori Harms in the GSL Activities Office at 320-864-2455 e-mail: lharms@gsl.k12.mn.us. We want all students who want to be involved in activities to have the opportunity.
 - Here is a list of what GSL offers and grade level requirements for the fall.

- 7-12 Cross Country
- 9-12 Girls Soccer COOP with Hutchinson
- 9-12 Boys Soccer COOP with Hutchinson
- 7-12 Girls Tennis
- 7-12 Volleyball
- 7-12 Football
- 9-12 Cheerleading
- 7-12 Fall Musical
- 7-12 Art Club
- 9-12 History Club
- 7-12 Science Club

In order to protect our students GSL provides ImPACT Testing. ImPACT (Immediate Post-Concussion Assessment and Cognitive Testing) is the first most widely used and most scientifically validated computerized concussion evaluation system. Given the inherent difficulties in concussion management, it is important to manage concussions on an individualized basis and to implement baseline testing and/or post-injury neurocognitive testing. This type of concussion assessment can help to objectively evaluate the concussed athlete's post-injury condition and track recovery for safe return to play, thus preventing the cumulative effects of a concussion.

Thank you and Go Panthers!



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GSL Early Childhood: Let's Play

Early Childhood Family Education & School Readiness Preschool



ALICIA BESTE
GSL ECCE &
Preschool Director/
Parent Educator

Fall
Open
House

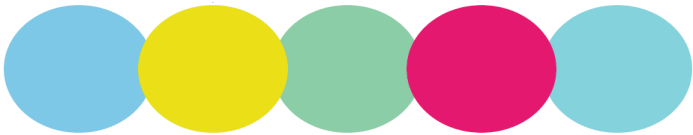
Early Childhood Family Education (ECFE) is a program of Glencoe-Silver Lake Public Schools. ECFE is for all families with children age 0-5 years (kindergarten entry). We have a variety of ongoing classes and single session special events. ECFE programs supply resources and teach skills that support your child's growth and development from birth to kindergarten and beyond. We are here to support new parents, veteran parents, and everyone in between! GSL School Readiness Preschool offers half-day classes for 3-5 year old children. The goals of this program are to provide learning experiences that recognize each child's unique abilities and assist families in laying a foundation for school success. GSL ECFE/Preschool benefits families through support, information, friendship, and fun.

Join us at the Early Childhood Learning Center (1621 16th St. E., Glencoe) on **Wednesday, September 1 from 3-6 p.m.** as we kick off the 2021-2022 school year. This is the last chance before school starts to register for any available spots in our preschool program. Come to play, visit, meet others with young children, and register for fall ECCE classes.

Glencoe-Silver Lake School Readiness Preschool



Class	Days	Time
Cubs (3 years by Sept.1)	Tue./Fri.	8:30-11:00 a.m.
Pre-K Panthers (4 years by Sept.1)	M/W/Th	8:30-11:00 a.m.
Pre-K Panthers (4 years by Sept.1)	M/W/Th	12:00-2:30 p.m.



Glencoe-Silver Lake School Readiness Preschool is for children who are 3-5 years old by September 1, 2021 and are toilet trained. Registration for the 2021-2022 school year is open and ongoing until classes are filled. Classes fill early, so register as soon as possible to reserve your spot.

Our preschool teachers are **licensed** by the Minnesota Department of Education and have been trained in child development and **kindergarten readiness**. We use the HighScope Preschool Curriculum, which is rich in reading, math, art, and science. It is also aligned with GSL Schools' K-12 curriculum to encourage a **smooth transition to kindergarten**. We use the Desired Results Developmental Profile to assess students at the beginning and end of the school year.

The GSL Early Childhood Learning Center has **classrooms designed especially for children ages 0-5 years**. We offer access to a preschool-friendly playground, indoor large motor room (little gym) and the Lincoln Silver gym. We also enjoy learning in our Outdoor Learning Center in the courtyard between the ECLC and Lincoln Elementary.

We also offer:

- Transportation** within the GSL District.
- Scholarships** and sliding scale tuition for income-eligible families.
- Integrated classes** with Early Childhood Special Education (ECSE).
- Free Parent-Child** classes and Family Events.
- Field trips** and access to the ECCE Library.



The United Way of McLeod County has awarded funds to the GSL ECCE/School Readiness Preschool program for additional paraprofessional support this year. Thank you to the United Way for their continued support of early learning at GSL!

Please consider supporting the work of the United Way in McLeod County.

Fall Dates

September 1	GSL ECCE/SR Preschool Fall Open House 3:00-6:00
September 7	Early Childhood Screening
September 9	Pre-K Panthers Check-In Day All day, by appointment
September 10	Cubs Check-In Day All day, by appointment
September 13	Pre-K Panthers Classes Begin
September 14	Cubs Classes Begin
September 20	Fall ECCE Classes Begin
October 1	Early Childhood Screening



GSL ECCE programs are located at:

Early Childhood Learning Center
1621 16th St. E.
Glencoe, MN 55336

Phone: 320.864.2681
Email: gslecce@gsl.k12.mn.us

Online:
www.gsl.k12.mn.us>Schools>Early Childhood Learning Center
www.facebook.com/GSLECFESR



2021-2022 Glencoe-Silver Lake bus route information

Glencoe-Silver Lake BUS routes are found on the following pages. Due to data privacy issues, rural bus stops are not printed in this newsletter.

All times are approximate to start the year. Times may be off by five minutes either way and will be adjusted as needed throughout the year.

TRANSPORTATION INFORMATION
TO BE MAILED TO ELEMENTARY FAMILIES

Please check in your child’s “back-to school-packet” for the “Census Verification Report.” It contains your child’s bus number and pickup times (if your child’s eligible for busing). Please call your child’s school building if you don’t receive the mailing.

MORNING TRANSFER INFORMATION

All buses will arrive at GSL Junior/Senior High School at 7:35 a.m. Buses will leave at approximately 7:45 a.m. to transfer to Lakeside and First Lutheran. Students will ride the following buses to each school:

Lakeside Elementary School:
Bus 12, Bus 14, Bus 15, Bus 2, Bus 3, Bus 8, and Bus 9

First Lutheran School: Bus 4

AFTERNOON TRANSFER INFORMATION

Lakeside Students will be picked up and taken to the Glencoe Campus. All buses will leave the Glencoe Campus at approximately 3:25 p.m.

Glencoe Bus Routes

All bus times are approximate and may be changed during the school year.

Bus #1

- 6:35 Rural stops
- 7:10 Biscay -All students
- 7:15 Rural stops
- 7:28 Fir Ave. and Park St.

Bus #2

- 6:15 Rural stops
- 7:30 18th St. and Ives Ave.
- 7:33 18th St. and Louden Ave.

Bus #3 NEW AUBURN

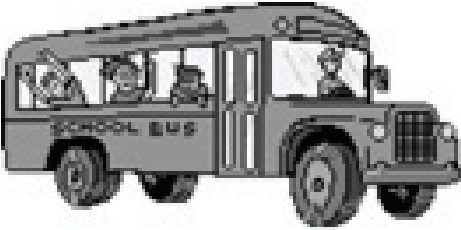
- 6:35 Rural stops
- 7:12 2nd St. and 7th Ave.
- 7:13 4th St. and 8th Ave.
- 7:14 5th St. and 10th Ave.
- 7:15 6th St. and 7th Ave.
- 7:30 Glencoe - 7th St. and Baxter Ave.



GSL busing eligibility

Glencoe-Silver Lake Public Schools will provide bus transportation for students who are in:

- Grades K-6 and live over 1 mile walking distance from the school they attend.
- Grades 7-12 and live over 2 miles walking distance from the school they attend.



Call the Bus Garage at 320-864-3032 with questions. All bus times are approximate and may be changed during the school year.

Bus #4

- 6:30 Rural stops
- 7:20 7th St. and Elliott Ave.
- 7:21 9th St. and Elliott Ave.
- 7:23 12th St. and Elliott Ave.
- 7:24 12th St. and Baxter Ave.
- 7:27 15th St. and Desoto Ave.
- 7:30 14th St. and Greeley Ave.

Bus #5

- 6:40 Rural stops
- 7:21 Fairway Dr. and Fairway Cir.
- 7:25 Edgewood Dr. and Mitchell Ln.
- 7:26 Wooddale Dr. and Reeds Ln.
- 7:29 Churchill Ln. and Edgewood Dr.
- 7:30 Sumac Ln. and Glenmoor Ln.

Bus #6

- 6:41 Rural stops
- 7:28 16th St. and Cedar St.
- 7:30 17th St. and Fir Ave
- 7:32 18th St. and Birch Ave.
- 7:34 16th St. and Ford Ave.
- 7:35 16th St. and Ives Ave.
- 7:37 16th St. and Louden Ave.

Bus #7

- 6:32 Rural stops
- 7:25 11th St. and Baldwin Ave.
- 7:26 11th St. and Abbott Ave.
- 7:27 11th St. and Morning Ave.
- 7:28 11th St. and Stevens Ave.
- 7:30 14th St and Baldwin Ave.
- 7:31 9th St. and Taylor
- 7:33 15th St. and Union Ave.

Who to call if you DO NOT need bus service:

If you have a child or children who are eligible for regular transportation to and from school, but who do not need busing, you may voluntarily waive their busing needs.

You may notify the following transportation official:

Tina Teubert at the Bus Garage at 320-864-3032

Bus #8 LESTER PRAIRIE & PLATO

- 6:32 Rural stops
- 6:41 2nd Ave. S. and Cedar St. S., Lester Prairie
- 6:42 2nd Ave. S. and Hickory Street, Lester Prairie
- 6:43 2nd Ave. S. and Pine, Lester Prairie
- 6:45 Lily & Hope, Lester Prairie
- 6:58 Rural stops
- 7:16 1st St. NE and McLeod Ave., Plato
- 7:18 1st St. NE and 3rd Ave. NE, Plato
- 7:20 2nd St. NW and 2nd Ave. NE, Plato

Bus #9

- 6:40 Rural stops
- 7:27 1st St. and Wacker Dr.
- 7:28 Ford Ave. and Abby Ln.
- 7:31 11th St. and Louden Ave.
- 7:33 11th St. and Owen Ave.

Bus #10

- 6:45 Rural stops
- 7:15 4th St. N. and 3rd Ave. N.
- 7:18 3rd St. N. and 1st Ave. N.
- 7:20 5th Ave. S and 3rd St. S (School) Grades 3-6 directly to Silver Lake

Bus #11 BROWNTON

- 7:08 2nd St. N. and 8th Ave. S.
- 7:10 11th Ave. N and Division St.
- 7:13 6th Ave. S and 3rd St S
- 7:17 6th St. S. and 6th Ave. S.
- 7:20 5th Ave. S and 3rd St. S (School) Grades K-2 and 7-12 transfered to Glencoe

BUS DRIVERS NEEDED

Stop in to apply at the
GSL Bus Garage
1203 12th St E, Glencoe
or call
320-864-3032
Must have a good
driving record.
We will train.

4.0 School Services of
Glencoe-Silver Lake,
Inc.





SILVER LAKE BUS ROUTES

Please check in your child’s “Back-to-School-packet” for the “Census Verification Report.” It contains your child’s bus number and pickup times (if your child is eligible for busing). Please call your child’s school building if you don’t receive the mailing.

New families on rural routes should call Tina Teubert at the bus garage with any questions. Buses will arrive at Lakeside Elementary School at approximately 7:15 a.m. and leave at 7:20 a.m.
All bus times are approximate and may be changed during the school year.

Bus 12	
6:30	Rural stops
7:14	Summit Ave. and Center St.
7:15	Center St. and Park Ave., Silver Lake
7:18	Main St. W and Lane Ave.
7:19	Lakeside School



Bus 14	
6:35	Rural stops
7:15	Frank and Grove Ave.
7:19	Lakeside School
Bus 15	
6:35	Rural stops
7:15	Railroad St. and Grand Ave., Silver Lake
7:17	Century Lane
7:18	Lakeside School

School bus safety

Students will be given school bus safety information the first weeks of school. Training will take place in the classroom and on a school bus. Parents, students and bus drivers play an important role in school bus safety. Bus drivers attend training meetings on issues including first aid, safe driving, and transporting students safely to and from school. Students need to practice, follow the bus rules and respect the rights and privileges of others. Parents should:

- Make sure students understand the transferring to other buses in the morning and afternoon to get to school and home.
- Make sure elementary students know their name, address, telephone number and bus number.
- Be at the bus stop the first couple of times or until the student is comfortable about the bus stop.
- Send a note along with the student if there are any changes in pick-up or drop-off.
- Remind students to always look both ways before crossing any street or roadway.

You, as a parent/guardian, are responsible for your child's comprehension of the school bus safety information. Transportation to and from school can be safe and efficient when riders cooperate with the bus driver, teachers and other passengers.

School bus expectations and policy

ALL STUDENTS must ride their designated buses unless a written note from the parent(s) or guardian(s) is brought to school. If a student is going to ride a different route, a signed note must be presented to the classroom teacher or office. The teacher will sign the note and it is then handed to the driver of the bus. Without parental and school permission, no student is allowed on an alternate bus route. Buses will stop only at regularly scheduled stops.

Glencoe-Silver Lake school buses transport students in grades K-6 who live more than one mile from the schools they attend or students in grades 7-12 who live over two miles walking distance from the school they attend.

The bus driver will make every effort to abide by the schedule. Extremes in weather and poor roads do occasionally cause minor deviation from the schedule. The care and discipline of children on the bus lies solely with the bus driver.

Your assistance is requested to encourage good safety and citizenship. Children are asked to obey the following rules when riding the bus. The bus driver is in charge of enforcing the following rules:

- Wear a mask
- Walk onto the bus
- Listen to bus driver
- Use a quiet voice and respectful language
- Sit and face forward
- Keep hands, feet, and objects to yourself
- Walk off the bus

All misbehavior cases should be reported to Tina Teubert at the transportation office (320-864-3032).

Parents or guardians will be notified of any suspension of bus privileges. Consequences for elementary students may include, but are not limited to:

- 1st offense – warning
- 2nd offense – three-school-day suspension from the bus.
- 3rd offense – five-school-day suspension from the bus.
- 4th offense – 10-school-day suspension from the bus/meeting with parent.
- Further offenses – individually considered.

Note: When any student goes 60 transportation days without a report, the student’s consequences may start over at the first offense.

The safety of our students is of primary concern to the bus drivers. Here are “bus stop expectations” to discuss with your child:

- Listen to the supervisor
- Play safely
- Be friendly
- Line up when buses arrive



Get together and form a walking bus

Studies show that fewer children are walking and biking to school, and more children are at risk of becoming overweight. Changing behaviors of children and parents requires creative solutions that are safe and fun. Implementing a walking bus can be both. One of the primary reasons why parents are reluctant to allow their children to walk to school is because of safety issues. Many children are now driven to and from school every day. A walking bus gives more children the opportunity to walk to school safely every day. Items to consider include:

1. The school district is not responsible for students participating in a walking bus. Parents are responsible for their own children.
2. To begin, invite children from families who live nearby to walk.
3. Pick a route and take a test walk.
4. Take a look at the sidewalks or paths along the route.
5. Consider the traffic. How busy are the streets?
6. Look at the crosswalks along the route. Is it easy to cross the street?
7. Everyone meets at a pre-arranged time and walks to school together. More students will join the walking bus just because they see it.

There are benefits to a walking bus:

1. It’s sociable, healthy and enjoyable.
2. It reduces parking problems near the entrance of school buildings.
3. Children learn about safety and become more aware of their environment.

LINCOLN ELEMENTARY STUDENT DROP-OFF & PICK-UP

When dropping off your child(ren) in the morning, please use the west parking lot or the designated area on 16th Street and have your child enter Door 11.

After School pick up will take place at Door 14.
Please use the west parking lot and please wait outside for your child(ren).

Thank You for practicing social distancing.



**Data privacy policy
(Release of student information)**

The school will observe the following policy to conform to the requirements of the Family Rights and Privacy Act of 1974: Student pictures and identifying names will be printed in the school yearbook and all district publications and given to the local news media on occasions that warrant it. However, any student, or the student's parent, if the student is under the age of 18, may request that his/her picture not be published or information released in the news media or school publications. Requests are to be made in writing to the building principal. **Participation in any group picture implies consent for release of picture with name.** This policy does not apply to pictures taken by the news media or information gathered and printed by the media. Due to yearbook publication deadlines, students must submit requests prior to December 15. The school district recognizes its responsibility in regard to the collection, maintenance and dissemination of pupil records and the protection of the privacy rights of students as provided in federal law and state statutes. Directory information means information contained in an education record of a student which would not generally be considered harmful or an invasion of privacy if disclosed. It includes, but is not limited to: the student's name, address, telephone listing, date and place of birth, major field of study, participation in officially recognized activities and sports, weight and height of members of athletic teams, dates of attendance, degrees and awards received and the most recent previous educational agency or institution attended. This information is public data on individuals. Directory information does not include personally identifiable data which references religion, race, color, social position or nationality. The parent or adult student has the right to refuse to permit the designation of some or all of the categories as directory information with respect to that particular student. If the parent or student notifies the school district that they don't want this information designated as directory information, the classification remains private.

Indoor air quality notice

Glencoe-Silver Lake school district is proud to be taking a leadership role in providing a safe, comfortable and productive environment for our students and staff so that we achieve our core mission – educating students. Our school will follow the EPA guidance to improve our indoor air quality by preventing as many IAQ problems as possible, and by quickly responding to any IAQ problems that may arise. Good air quality requires an ongoing commitment by everyone in our school because each of us daily makes decisions and performs activities that affect the quality of the air we breathe. School staff, students and parents can obtain checklists or self-help information so they can properly evaluate their child's home or other out-of-school situation by contacting the school. Staff and parents can also obtain information about school facility

construction, maintenance and house-keeping practices, chemicals used, mold and HVAC related information, chemical producing academic subjects, and pesticide and herbicide applications to determine the extent to which school activities contribute to a child's symptoms by contacting the school. The Glencoe-Silver Lake School District Indoor Air Quality contact person is Brady Flaherty, Dashir Management Company, 320-510-0825. If there are any questions regarding the school's IAQ Program, please feel free to contact the District Office at 320-864-2491.

**2021-2022 school year
asbestos notification**

Federal legislation (asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act – AHERA) requires each primary and secondary school in the nation to complete a stringent inspection for asbestos and to develop a plan of management for all asbestos-containing building materials. Glencoe-Silver Lake Public Schools have a goal to be in full compliance with this law. As a matter of policy, the district shall continue to maintain a safe and healthful environment for our community's youth and employees. Brady Flaherty, Dashir Management Company, is the person designated as Asbestos Program Manager for our schools. He can be contacted at 320-510-0825. An operation and maintenance program is in place through which we respond to our ACBM on a continuing basis. In keeping with this legislation, all buildings owned or leased by Glencoe-Silver Lake Public Schools were inspected by EPA-accredited inspectors and samples were analyzed by an independent laboratory. Based on the inspection, the school prepared and the state approved a comprehensive management plan for handling the asbestos located within its buildings safely and responsibly. During the last school year, Glencoe-Silver Lake Public Schools conducted the following with respects to its asbestos containing building materials: Boiler rooms and tunnels at Lincoln and High School – pipes and glove bagging Federal law requires a periodic walk-through (called “surveillance”) every six months of each area containing asbestos. In addition, the law requires all buildings to be re-inspected three years after a management plan is in effect. Musser Environmental Consulting, Inc. will accomplish this under contract. Areas where management issues are noted during inspections and surveillances have been, and will continue to be, dealt with promptly. Short-term workers (outside contractors, i.e., telephone repair workers, electricians and exterminators) must be provided information regarding the location of asbestos in which they may come into contact. All short-term workers shall contact Brady Flaherty, Dashir Management Company, 320-510-0825, before beginning work in order to be given this information. Glencoe-Silver Lake Public Schools has a list of the location(s) and type(s) of asbestos containing materials found in the school buildings and a description and time-table for their proper management. A copy of the Asbestos Management Plan is available for review in the District Office. Copies are available at 25 cents per page. Questions related to the plan should be directed to Steve Musser, Musser Environmental Consulting, Inc., 24594 Upsala Lane, Hutchinson, MN 55350, by calling 651-388-7139, or by contacting the Glencoe-Silver Lake School District at 320-864-2491.

**Employment and services criminal
history background check
notice to parents**

The school district has adopted a policy, the purpose of which is to pro-

mote the physical, social, and psychological well-being of its students. Pursuant to this policy, the school district shall seek criminal history background checks for all applicants who receive an offer of employment with the school district. The school district also shall seek criminal history background checks for all individuals, except enrolled student volunteers, who are offered the opportunity to provide athletic coaching services or other extracurricular academic coaching services to the school district, regardless of whether compensation is paid. These positions include, but are not limited to, all athletic coaches, extracurricular academic coaches, assistants, and advisors. The school district may elect to seek criminal history background checks for other volunteers, independent contractors, and student employees.

**Minnesota school districts responsible
for identification of students
with disabilities**

In response to the individuals with Disabilities Education Improvement Act (IDEIA), Minnesota Districts must demonstrate that “all children with disabilities, including children with disabilities attending private schools, regardless of the severity of their disabilities and who are in need of special education and related services, are identified, located and evaluated.” This responsibility extends to children with disabilities who receive their formal education in a private school. Home schooled children are considered private school children in Minnesota. Upon request, the Glencoe-Silver Lake Public School District will provide information to concerned parents on specific disabilities including information about the educational or behavioral manifestations of each disability. Parents who believe their child may indeed have a disability may request procedural information on how to arrange for an evaluation through the Glencoe-Silver Lake Public School special education staff. Parents of students who are evaluated and are found to be eligible for special education services will become part of a team that will develop, implement, and monitor the effectiveness of an Individualized Education Plan to meet the identified needs of their children. If you have any questions or would like to receive information about specific disabilities or evaluation, please contact the principal of the school building your child would attend in the Glencoe-Silver Lake Public School District if he/she were not being home schooled. The Glencoe-Silver Lake Public School is committed to promoting academic success for its students.

**Bullying is expressly prohibited
on school district property
or at school-related functions**

A safe and civil environment is needed for students to learn and attain high academic standards and to promote healthy human relationships. Bullying, like other violent or disruptive behavior, is conduct that interferes with students' ability to learn and teachers' ability to educate students in a safe environment. The school district cannot monitor the activities of students at all times and eliminate all incidents of bullying between students, particularly when students are not under the direct supervision of school personnel. However, to the extent such conduct affects the educational environment of the school district and the rights and welfare of its students and is within the control of the school district in its normal operations, it is the school district's intent to prevent bullying and to take action to investigate, respond, remediate, and discipline those acts of bullying which have not been successfully prevented.

The purpose of Policy 514, Bullying Prohibition Policy, is to assist the school district in its goal of preventing and responding to acts of bullying, intimidation, violence, and other similar disruptive behavior. An act of bullying, by either an individual student or a group of students, is expressly prohibited on school district property or at school-related functions. This policy applies not only to students who directly engage in an act of bullying but also to students who, by their indirect behavior, condone or support another student's act of bullying. This policy also applies to any student whose conduct at any time or in any place constitutes bullying that interferes with or obstructs the mission or operations of the school district or the safety or welfare of the student, other students, or employees. The misuse of technology including, but not limited to, teasing, intimidating, defaming, threatening, or terrorizing another student, teacher, administrator, volunteer, contractor, or other employee of the school district by sending or posting email messages, instant messages, text messages, digital pictures or images, or website postings, including blogs, also may constitute an act of bullying regardless of whether such acts are committed on or off school district property and/or with or without the use of school district resources. (Refer to Policy 524, Internet Use Policy Development, for more information). Any person who believes he or she has been the victim of bullying should report the alleged act(s) immediately to an appropriate school district official. The harassment report form is available from the principal of each building or in school offices, but oral reports will be considered complaints as well. For the complete version of this policy and others, go to GSL's website, www.gsl.k12.mn.us. Go to “District Info” and then to “Policies.”

**Notice concerning use of
pest control materials**

The GSL school district utilizes a licensed, professional pest control service firm for the prevention and control of rodents, insects, and other pests in and around the district's buildings. Their program consists of: 1. Inspection and monitoring to determine whether or not pests are present, and whether any treatment is needed; 2.Recommendation for maintenance and sanitation to help eliminate pests without the need for pest control materials; 3. Utilization of non-chemical measures such as traps, caulking and screening; and 4. Utilization of EPA registered pest control materials when needed Pests can sting, bite, cause contamination, damage property, and spread disease; therefore, we must prevent and control them. The long-term health effects on children from the application of such pest control materials, or the class of materials to which they belong, may not be fully understood. All pest control materials are chosen and applied according to label directions per Federal law. Information about the scheduling of interior pest control inspections and possible treatments is available by contacting Brady Flaherty, Dashir Management Company, at 320-510-0825. Similar information about the scheduling for application of herbicides and other materials to school grounds is also available by contacting Mr. Flaherty. Parents of students may request to receive prior notification of any application of a pest control material, should such an application be deemed necessary on a day different from the days specified in the schedule. The Glencoe-Silver Lake School District pest control contact person is Brady Flaherty, Dashir Management Company. He can be contacted at 320-510-0825.

Glencoe Silver Lake FFA

The Glencoe-Silver Lake FFA chapter has truly been "learning to do, doing to learn, learning to live, and living to serve" throughout the past year. Amidst a pandemic, FFA became home to more than 60 members grades 7-12 looking to build their premier leadership, personal growth and career success. The servant hearts of our members were reflected in the annual Corn Drive, contributing nearly \$7,000 to local organizations, Staff Appreciation Breakfast "On Wheels," and First Responder Care Packages. Competitively, thirteen teams qualified and competed at the virtual Minnesota FFA Convention in April, four Supervised Agricultural Experiences were highlighted for their diligent work ethic and dedication to growth, and past Chapter President Eli Kuehn received his State Degree. Afton Nelson was named State Champion in Dairy Handling and will advance to the in-person National FFA Convention in October. Elise Betcher placed third in Employment Skills and the Parliamentary Procedure team placed 6th overall. A record number of tickets sold for the Pork Chop Supper sprouted motivation for our members and pride in the work they've invested in this organization.

At the close of the school year came exciting beginnings for a new officer team, including President Elisabeth Schmieg. "I am so excited for this year to start! Last year I was so impressed and astounded at our chapter's ability to teach others and to have fun. All the ideas that had to stay on paper last year we will finally be able to do! I'm ready for our members and communities to see what we have in store."

FFA and the ag program run year-round, including nearly 20 members who have found fun and fuel for the future through our summer ag program. Attending a Minnesota Twins game, state leadership camps and exploring college and career options has kept students engaged and enthusiastic about agriculture, food, natural resources and manufacturing. In August, members will be working at the Carver County Fair Pork Burger Stand and McLeod County Fair Barnyard. During the state fair, look for our members showing livestock, working in the All You Can Drink Milk Stand, and presenting to fairgoers at the CHS Miracle of Birth Center.

We encourage everyone to find their home within FFA - whether it's as a member or supporter. If you are interested in joining the Ag Promoters, please contact Brian Thalmann at (320) 434-0402 or reach out to advisor Rebekka Paskewitz (rpaskewitz@gslpanthers.net) to find out how you can uniquely support our young leaders within your Glencoe-Silver Lake Ag Program. Keep up to date with all FFA and Ag Program activities by liking Glencoe-Silver Lake FFA on Facebook and Following GSL FFA on Instagram and Twitter.

Thanks so much for the opportunity to contribute to this newsletter. We are excited for the year ahead and appreciate the help and support you've provided in the first year of my career and the re-building of this program.

Rebekka Paskewitz, FFA Advisor

If you can dream it, you
can do it.
-Walt Disney

Phone Numbers

District Office _____ 320-864-2491

Chris Sonju/Superintendent of Schools
District Office _____ 320-864-2498

Michelle Sander/Business Manager
District Office _____ 320-864-2496

Trisha Zajicek/Food Service Accounts
District Office _____ 320-864-2494

Alicia Beste/ECFE Director
ECLC _____ 320-864-2681

Brady Flaherty/Facilities Manager
Custodian Room _____ 320-864-2692

Tina Teubert/Transportation Director
Bus Garage _____ 320-864-3032

Field House
Front Desk _____ 320-864-2690

Matt Muenchow Community Ed
Director _____ 320-864-2696

Comm. Ed. Activities Line _____ 320-864-2487

GSL Jr/Sr High Office _____ 320-864-2400

GSL JR High Activities Line _____ 320-864-2555

High School Activities Line _____ 320-864-2444

Matt Foss/7-12 Principal
GSL High School _____ 320-864-2401

Dan Svoboda/Assistant 7-12 Principal
GSL Junior High School _____ 320-864-2456

Dean Schwartz/Activities Director
High School _____ 320-864-2402

Lori Harms/Activities Secretary _____ 320-864-2455

Beth Jerabek/District Nurse
High School _____ 320-864-2446

Lincoln Elementary Office _____ 320-864-2666

Lakeside Office _____ 320-864-2500

Bill Butler/Elementary Principal
Coordinator of Title Programs
& Special Education _____ 320-864-2677

Joy Freitag/Elementary Asst. Principal
Lakeside Elementary _____ 320-864-2501

Jeff Jenson
Technology Director _____ 320-864-2407

Interpreter _____ 320-864-2686



Emergency school closings
notification information



School closings due to weather or other emergencies will be announced using the School Messenger telephone broadcast system, over the website: www.gsl.k12.mn.us the GSL information telephone line (864-2499 then press "1"), and the following radio and television stations:

Radio Stations	Television Stations
WCCO (AM 830)	WCCO (Channel 4) Fox 9 (Channel 9)
KDUZ (AM 1260)	KSTP (Channel 5) KARE (Channel 11)
KARP (FM 106.9)	

Community Education and Early Childhood and Family Education classes, as well as elementary and secondary activities, will not be held when school is closed due to inclement weather. When school is two hours late, there will be no morning ECFE preschool or classes. For more specific information, including cancellation of extra-curricular activities, parents can call 864-2499 and then press "1," or call the individual building activities lines. Please don't call the schools to find out early closing information. This ties up the phone lines so that emergency calls can't get through.

Radio and TV stations will provide a specific closing time (for example: 12:00 noon), rather than listing it building by building. Buses cannot be at all four buildings at the same time, so dismissal times are staggered. Listed below are the scheduled times for a 12:00 noon early dismissal:

Building	Dismissal Time
GSL High School	12:00 noon
GSL Jr. High	12:00 noon
Lincoln Elementary	12:00 noon
Lakeside	11:45 a.m.
First Lutheran	11:50 a.m.

Generally, school will be in session if it is felt that the buses can make their routes in relative safety. However, when weather conditions are questionable, the district's road conditions are checked and a determination is made as to whether or not to start late, dismiss school early, or close.

Even if school is in session, parents are asked to assess their particular situation to determine whether or not it is safe for their child(ren) to attend school on a particular day. During inclement weather, parents may take their child(ren) home at any time during the day by reporting to the principal's office in the building the child(ren) attend(s).



Our Mission Statement
Creating a culture where education is valued,
excellence is expected and lifelong learning thrives.

Our Vision Statement
To Connect, To Lead, To Inspire.

There is a wealth of information available on the GSL website:

- School Calendar and updates
- Sports and Activities Calendars
- Lunch Menus
- Online Payment Systems:
 - Make Lunch Account Payments
 - Pay Activity Fees
 - Pay for Community Ed Classes
- Check School Lunch Account Balance
- Teacher Websites
- Staff Directory/Phone Numbers
- Access Student Grades/Attendance
- Online Forms
- Event Information
- Community Ed Information
- Community Ed Catalog
- PAC/Panther Adventure Club/Childcare
- ECCE Information
- ECCE/Preschool Activities/Events
- School Board Meeting Agendas
- Minutes of School Board Meetings
- District Policies
- Notifications
- And Much More!



Board Approved 6-14-2021

2021-2022 GSL SCHOOL CALENDAR

MONTH

2021

M T W TH F Class Days Total Days

AUGUST

1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30
31					

Equals Teacher Workshop - No Students
 Equals Days School Not In Session (No Students or Staff)
 Equals Parent/Teacher Conferences - late afternoon and evening

August 31 - Teacher Workshop

SEPTEMBER

			1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30			

September 1, 2 - Teacher Workshop
 September 6 - Labor Day - No School
 September 7 - First Day of Classes 7-12, K-6 Check-in Day
 September 8 - First Day of Classes K-6

OCTOBER

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2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31

October 18 - Evening 7-12 Parent-Teacher Conferences
 October 19 and 20 - Evening K-6 Parent-Teacher Conferences
 October 20 - K-6 Daytime Conferences; 7-12 Teacher In-services - No Students
 October 21-22 - Education Minnesota Conference - No School

NOVEMBER

1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30

November 25 and 26 - Thanksgiving Break - No School

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50.75

END OF FIRST TRIMESTER

DECEMBER

29	30				
		1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31			

November 29 - Teacher Workshop - No School

December 23-January 3 - Christmas/Winter/Hanukkah Break - No School

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JANUARY

3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31	

January 3 - New Year's Day Observed - No School
 January 4 - First Day of Classes - 2022
 January 13 - Evening / 12 Parent-Teacher Conferences
 January 17 - Martin Luther King Day - No School OR 2nd snow day

FEBRUARY

	1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29
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February 8 and 10 - Evening K-6 Parent-Teacher Conferences
 February 21 - Presidents' Day - No School

MARCH

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END OF SECOND TRIMESTER

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7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30
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March 7 - Teacher Workshop - No School

APRIL

				1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30		

April 15 - Good Friday - No School
 April 18 - Easter Monday - No School

MAY

1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30
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May 30 - Memorial Day - No School

JUNE

			1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30			

June 1 - Last Day of School for Students
 June 2 - Last Day of School for Staff
 1 additional Flex Staff Day During the School Year
 Friday, June 3 - Graduation Day

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67.5

END OF THIRD TRIMESTER


Storm Day Note:

1st 2 Storm Days: Digital Days; 3rd Storm Day: Martin Luther King Day - January 17

Additional Storm Days: Added to End of Year

There will be a total of 182 teacher contract days. There will be 172 student school days.

Become a GSL Panther Super

 The Panther Booster Club proudly supports all activities and athletic programs at Glencoe-Silver Lake. The Boosters provide financial support and help create safe and memorable programs for students and fans. Last year, we raised more than \$35,000, which will be donated to GSL activities.

With donations from our GSL families, friends and local businesses, the Booster Club has supported projects including upgrading the sports complex fields and parking areas to purchasing sports equipment and fine art supplies.

You may be asking – how can I help? With a donation of \$30, your status becomes **Super Fan!** Your donation goes directly toward GSL student programs, and you can choose how active, or inactive, your roll will be as a Super Fan. Do you have an hour to sell merchandise at an upcoming game? Are you interested in volunteering at a tournament fundraiser? Or perhaps, you can help by working at the concession stand during activities and games? If so, we would appreciate your help! It takes all of us to make this happen for our kids.

To become a Super Fan, contact any of the Booster Club Board members, or send your name, email, and \$30 donation one of two ways:

1. Mail: GSL Panther Booster Club
P.O. Box 281
Glencoe, MN 55336
2. Venmo (@GSL-BoosterClub)

2021-2022 Booster Club Board members are: Dave Brown, Kim Busse, Trevore Butcher, Susie Christianson, Eric Dietel, Kim Dietel, Susie Hedtke, Sam Hussong, Rob Lemke, Beth Petersen, John Petersen, Kristin Roepke, Emily Schilling, Mary Stoltenburg, Joia Ziegler.

The Booster Club Board members would like to take this opportunity to thank all local businesses that support our programs! Whether it was a cash donation or an in-kind donation, the generosity of our community is sincerely appreciated! **GO PANTHERS!**

Student Insurance

School recess, one-day field trips, and general day-to-day activities can all lead to injuries. Having coverage during school hours, or around the clock, can insure your loved ones get the care they need without financial hardship to your family.

Eligibility Any enrolled student is eligible for coverage.
K-12 accident plans that are available through Glencoe-Silver Lake Public Schools:

- School Time Accident Only
- Interscholastic Sports
- 24-Hour Accident Only
- 24-Hour Dental

All available plans are offered by Special Markets Insurance Consultants, Inc. To research which plans are being offered by our school, please visit the link on the front of GSL's website at www.gsl.k12.mn.us.

Payment Parents or guardians of students are responsible for enrollment and premium payment.

How to enroll

1. Go to the link on the front of the GSL webpage, "K-12 Student Accident Plan."
2. Click on coverage details at the top.
3. Select state and click "look up."
3. Click on school or district.
4. Click on link to display plan details.

Parents can either print and complete the enrollment application to mail with check or money order or you can enroll online and pay by credit or debit card.

Questions? call:
Michelle Sander, Business Manager,
at 320-864-2496 or email: MSander@gsi.k12.mn.us

Community Schools program connects business community to GSL

Glencoe-Silver Lake schools will once again be offering the Community Schools program. The purpose of the Community Schools meetings is to connect the business community with the school district. Programs vary from meeting to meeting and different students in 2nd through 12th grade have the opportunity for conversations with adults about careers and other areas of interest. We encourage local businesses to participate. For more information about Community Schools meetings during the 2021-2022 school year, contact Superintendent Chris Sonju at 320-864-2498 or at csnju@gsi.k12.mn.us.