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NEWSLETTER OF GLENCOE-SILVER LAKE SCHOOL DISTRICT #2859

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Fall 2020

Here's to a great 2020-2021 school year!



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Welcome to the 2020-2021 School Year at GSL. This school year will be like no other. During the spring of 2020, we saw unprecedented changes to our world, state, and country in which we live. From an educational standpoint, we experienced a distance learning model to finish up the school year.

To start this school year, we are preparing for one of three models that the state has told us to plan for. With that said, I want to thank our staff and students for their work and dedication during this time. It is a lot to plan and prepare for, as we expect changes to happen during the school year. We want and need our students back in school. Without question, this pandemic that we are currently living in has caused many changes. These changes have forced us to think, act, and educate differently. Yet our mission will always remain the same; "Creating a culture where education is valued, excellence is expected, and life-long learning thrives."

Below is a chart created by the State of Minnesota that outlines guidelines and recommendations on when schools move from one learning plan to another based on the number of new COVID-19 cases in McLeod County. Regardless of which plan we are under, we will strive to meet these expectations, and at the same time, recognize that we need to make positive changes to ensure the health and safety of our students, staff, and community during this pandemic. We will provide necessary information as we get closer to the start of the school year on which plan we will start with. Thank you in advance for your flexibility, patience, and grace.

At GSL, we promote the "GET TO" mindset that encourages that positive outlook on things.

We "GET TO" have a great school year, no matter what!

Christopher Sonju

Thresholds for Learning Model Selection based 14-day COVID-19 Case Rate by County

Minnesota Department of Health / Minnesota Department of Education

McLeod County Name

35893 Population of McLeod County

Source: <https://www.cdc.gov/data/quickfacts/factsheet/mc-leod-county-minnesota>

14-day county level case rate per 10,000 =

Total number of cases for last 14 days / (County population / 10,000)

# of Cases per 10,000 over 14 Days	Min # of Cases in County in last 14 days	Max # of Cases in County in last 14 days	Recommended Learning Model	
			Elementary Students	Middle/High School Students
0-9	0	35	In-Person	In-Person
10-19	36	71	In-Person	Hybrid
20-29	72	107	Hybrid	Hybrid
30-49	108	179	Hybrid	Distance
50+	More than 179 Cases	More than 179 Cases	Distance	Distance

Daily Situation Update for COVID-19 from the Minnesota Department of Health is available at:

<https://www.health.state.mn.us/diseases/coronavirus/situation.html>

Important Dates

Sept. 7 - Labor Day - No School

Sept. 8 - First Day of Classes for grades 3-12
Grades K-2 "Check-In Day"

Sept. 9 - First Day of Classes K-2

Sept. 15- Lincoln Elementary Picture Day

Sept. 17 - Lakeside Elementary Picture Day

Sept. 18 - JR High/SR High Picture Day

Flu Shot Clinic-Sept. 22 @ Lakeside Elem. 2:30 - 4:30

Flu Shot Clinic-Sept. 24 @ GSL HS Media Center 3:00 - 5:00

Parent Teacher Conference Dates:

Lincoln & Lakeside Elementary:

October 12 and 13- Evening K-6 Parent-Teacher Conferences

Oct. 14 - K-6 **Daytime Conferences - No Students**

Glencoe-Silver Lake JR/SR High School

Oct. 12 - Gr. 7-12 Evening conferences

Oct. 14 - **7-12 Teacher Inservice - No Students**

Oct. 15 **No School K-12** - Education MN Conference

Oct. 16 **No School K-12** - Education MN Conference



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

OPEN HOUSE DATES AND TIMES

LINCOLN ELEMENTARY

Wednesday, September 2, 10:00 am to 6:00 pm

Tuesday, September 8, 7:30 am to 1:30 pm

LAKESIDE ELEMENTARY

Tuesday, September 1, 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm

Wednesday, September 2, 12:00 pm to 6:00 pm

K-6 parents will sign up for an individual check in time through Sign Up Genius. Information was sent out in mid-August in the school packets and also through an email. If you did not receive one and should have, please contact the building secretary.

JUNIOR/SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL

Wednesday, September 2, 3:00 pm to 6:00 pm

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SCHOOL DISTRICT PATRON



Glencoe-Silver Lake Junior/Senior High School

Hi all,

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 2020-2021 school year. As I am sure you are all aware, the state has tasked each school district to plan for 3 types of educational models to be used throughout the 2020-2021 school year. These models are:

- 1) In Person Learning
- 2) Hybrid Learning
- 3) Distance Learning

The Junior/Senior High Leadership Teams has been working hard to develop plans for each of these models that keeps both students and staff healthy as well as provides a meaningful education for your children. This has been a long, tiresome, and certainly ongoing process. Many of these meetings have ended with more questions than answers. I would like to take this time to personally thank all of the members of the leadership team, parents, and community members who have spent time trying to help problem solve the upcoming school year. With that being said, our plans have not been finalized. Look for information to come via email in the coming weeks that details school reopening for the fall.

Throughout all of this planning, we have added new faces to the teaching staff of GSL. I am excited to introduce the following new teachers: Rebekka Paskewitz (Ag), Kevin Lamont (Industrial Technology), Allyson Krommendyk (Art), and Paulina Kohan (ESL).

With all of these changes and the potential to jump between any of the 3 learning models throughout the year, 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 if allowable due to COVID-19 guidelines. 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.



At this time, I would like to share with all of you one of the many lessons I learned growing up. As a child, I remember being taught the meaning of compassion and empathy from an early age. I spent my summer vacations visiting my grandparents. I remember seeing military uniforms in both of my grandfather’s closets, but didn’t quite understand the meaning or sacrifice that these uniforms symbolized. As I grew older, and had a better understanding of what World War II was and who was involved, I still couldn’t quite understand why both of my grandfather’s left their home, their family and their country to help others. This is where I learned that we as humans must be cognizant of the sufferings around us, and try to understand the feelings of others - the true meaning of the words compassion and empathy. The photo attached is one of my favorites from my childhood (I will let you decide who I am in the picture). I look at this often, remember my grandparents, and remember the lessons I was fortunate enough to be given.

In conclusion, I am excited to embrace the challenges of the upcoming school year, but I want us all to keep the words compassion and empathy in mind as we address these challenges. Have a great rest of the summer and see you all soon!



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Lincoln Elementary & Lakeside Elementary Welcome Back!



Relationships, Grace, & Patience

Just like this past spring, fall will present us with challenges. We all want to know what to expect as the 2020-2021 school year begins. Teachers at Lincoln Elementary will strive to create strong relationships with kids & families, high expectations, and great lessons. Now more than ever, know that we will proceed with grace and patience as we work with students, parents, and caregivers. Expect us to set high standards for all of our students within a climate of genuine affection and concern. We want to create an atmosphere of trust, not judgment. We will teach your child, not judge his/her talent because children thrive in a nurturing school.

Expect us to teach children how to reach high standards through literacy- reading, writing, listening, and speaking. We want children to love learning and will encourage children to master academic fundamentals in a positive, supportive environment. Expect us to learn along with your children. Teaching is a wonderful way to learn about children and how they think about subject matter, about ourselves, and about life. The best teachers and principals are more interested in learning than in teaching.

Expect us to be tolerant of mistakes. Learning is messy! We’ll encourage kids’ effort and recognize their progress as they learn and grow. Students need to know adults and each other and develop a sense of belonging. Adults will set boundaries for behavior and make sure all kids are included in order to create a warm and safe atmosphere. Students need order and predictability, which help them to relax and focus their energy on learning. Our staff will teach routines and provide kids with plenty of opportunities to practice. “Safety, Respect, and Responsibility” will guide our work with kids. Students need to be engaged in their learning. We will teach kids how to actively participate in learning and maintain focused effort as they converse, cooperate, and collaborate with teachers and classmates.

We are eager to work with you as we move toward fall and meet the year’s challenges with grace and patience.



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Hello from Chef Tony

It's time to get back to school, we will be providing safe and nutritious meals to everyone while keeping a safe social distance, and still providing the best tasting food. Also, be assured we will be taking every precaution to ensure the safety and wellbeing of your children and staff at our schools

Chartwells K12

and Glencoe-Silver Lake Schools 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 2020-21 school year! With that being said we will be doing it a little different. You will see social distancing posters on the walls and stickers on the floors and on dining room seats. In almost every environment we shop or visit you see these stickers. We will be using them to practice social distancing. Staff will be wearing either masks or face shields for everyone's protection.

Breakfast and Lunch

Breakfast and lunch will be served by our staff, we will not be having community stations, i.e., tongs or self-serve condiments, things like that. They will walk through the line and let the staff know what they would like and we will put it on a tray and hand it to them. In case we have to serve in the classroom, we will be taking orders for how many lunches or breakfasts we need and dish them up in take-out containers and deliver them to the classroom. We will be using scanners at the Point of Sale so they will not have to punch in their lunch number.

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. We also feature a coffee bar for high school students and staff, served during breakfast.

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, ESL, drama, Robotics, Community Education programs and much more. Students can purchase a snack for \$1.10 with cash or with their school food account. Students receiving free/and or reduced benefits will be served a snack free of charge.

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 two 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

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Visit: www.Chartwellsk12.com or

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

Title IX policy

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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 resolved the following policy on July 12, 1996. 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

- **Do you have questions regarding medication administration in schools?** Please review our policy 516, Student Medication Policy (available on GSL's website www.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.

SCHOOL
NURSE



Please screen your child before sending them to school. If your child has ANY of the following, they should stay home:

- A fever (100.4) or high
- Chills
- A new cough
- Shortness of breath
- A new sore throat
- New muscle aches
- New headache
- New loss of smell or taste

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:

Angela Laxen, LPN 320-864-2503

Lincoln Elementary:

Sharry Good, LPN 320-864-2665

GSL District Nurse: Beth Jerabek, MSN, RN, PHN, LSN 320-864-2446 bjrabek@gsl.k12.mn.us



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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:

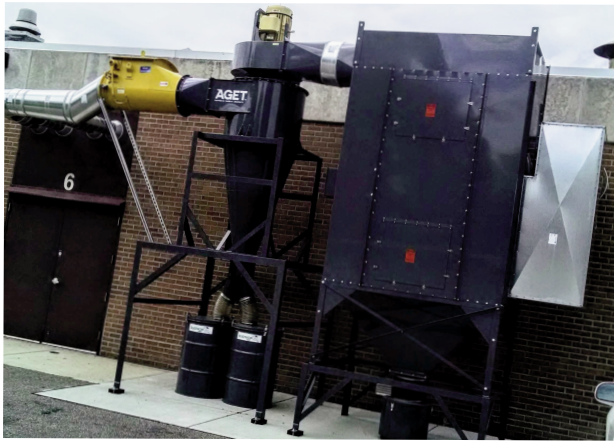
- Every year GSL's Health Department asks you to fill out a health survey for each of your students. It is very important that you fill this out to the fullest extent each academic year. We do not keep this form from year to year. Old information does not carry over. Student health surveys may be turned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

Welcome to the 2020-2021 School Year.

It is hard to say welcome to the new school year when it feels like we never finished the last school year. I think we can all agree that we want this nightmare to end. Especially to you parents that are trying to juggle schedules and wondering what your child will be doing from one day to the next. We need to get back to our school routines and activities and trust me when I say you are not alone. As school administrators, we want nothing more than to have our staff and students back, safe and healthy.

During the pandemic shutdown this spring, we were able to get an early start with some of our projects that otherwise would not have gotten started until June. Here is a brief update on what we have been busy working on the past few months.

New Dust Collection System at the High School Woodshop - \$90,000. The old dust collection system was original to the building and has been in need of replacement for quite some time. Those of you that have been in our wood shop will know what I am talking about. Bathroom remodel project at Lakeside - \$100,000. We finally tore apart the first set of restrooms that were in dire need of an upgrade so we started with the restrooms across from the office. They look amazing. Over the next two years, we will be working on updating the other two sets of restrooms at that campus and hopefully look to start at the high school campus on restroom upgrades as well. Cement work – check out the front and west side of the Lincoln building and the new entrance at Lakeside. Great improvements to both campuses for \$107,000. Classroom ceilings and lights. We were able to overhaul three classrooms at Lakeside with new ceilings and lights - \$30,000. The plan will be to continue to do a few classrooms every summer until we get them all completed. The Lincoln parking lot was upgraded with infrared patching and chip sealed coating along with new striping and signage for \$67,000. Other smaller items included entryway matting at the front of the high school and the front entrance at Lakeside, painting, mechanical repairs, as well as some deep cleaning. Also included on our list is any health and safety items that need to be addressed.



To be able to afford all of these projects we use our Long Term Facilities Maintenance Revenue (LTFM) that the District receives each year. We receive approximately \$650,000 between State Aid and Local Levy. These dollars can only be used on facilities projects like those that I listed. The money cannot be used for staffing, curriculum, textbooks or vehicles, only on facilities. We have a long list of “To Do” projects that we evaluate each year to determine which projects we need to look at completing first based on priority and safety. The district has 386,633 square feet of buildings to maintain, not including our outdoor areas. With that much space, you can probably guess there is always something that needs fixing!

Along with our summer projects, our district office staff has been working hard on year-end entries, preparing for the new school year (however that might look) and working with our auditors. A new challenge for us this year is completing our audit remotely. Nevertheless, the audit is coming along nicely and we should have final presentation to the school board at the October board meeting. At this time, we have no surprises with our financials, which is always a sigh of relief for me and the District will still maintain a healthy financial status.

I would love to tell you to stop in anytime like I always encourage you to do if you have questions, but with COVID please give me a call first as our visitors to the buildings are limited and then we can set up a time to meet that doesn’t conflict with student traffic.

Thank you so much for your continued support of the District in these challenging times.



Have a great school year!
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Meet your 2020 GSL Elementary PTO!!!



The Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) at GSL has been in existence since 2015. Most of the core group is still involved, which includes Kristy Scheidt, Kim Borka, Mandy Conklin, Emily Schilling, and Corinne Schmieg. Jen Chrast has since replaced Tammy Schermann as the liaison for Lakeside, and we recently recruited new members to help us with our upcoming events. This spring, we welcomed Stephanie Zajicek, Jenni Voigt, Kim Busse, Jill Graczyk and Kari Johnson to our numbers, and we had our first in-person meeting with them in June.

We continued to meet during the summer to bring fruition to all of our ideas for fundraisers and events for the elementary school community. In anticipation of the ‘20-’21 school year, we are planning for our third annual Fall Festival and the half-baked Unhinged Pizza sale, as well as our back-to-school appreciation gifts for the staff at both Lincoln and Lakeside. Since the PTO is comprised solely of volunteers, the proceeds from our fundraisers go directly back into the elementary schools. In the past, we have been able to fund software for the schools, order gym and recess equipment, and present gift cards from local restaurants to show our appreciation for our educators and building staff. With our new members come vast skills, experience, and ideas, so if you don’t already know about the PTO, this may be the year to discover what we do! Like our Facebook page, GSL Elementary PTO, to follow our events, or contact us at gslelementarypto@gmail.com.

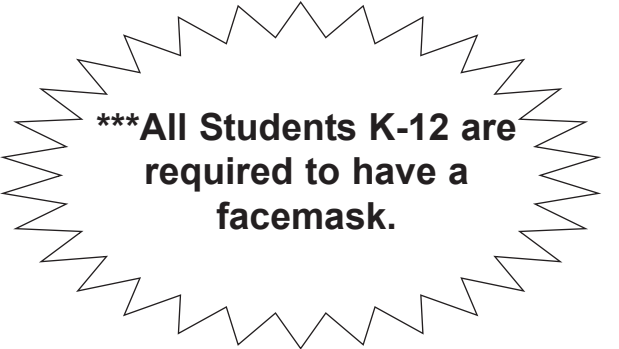
SUPPLY LIST FOR ELEMENTARY K-6 STUDENTS

Kindergarten

1 backpack or school bag (without wheels)
1 pencil box (8 5/8" x 5 3/4" x 2 1/2")
1 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
1 package of Ticonderoga sharpened pencils (30 count)
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
1 bottle of hand sanitizer 2 to 3 oz.
If your last name begins with the following letters, please bring the item listed below:
A-M
1 pkg gallon sized baggies1 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)
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
1 package 12 count Crayola colored pencils
2 giant/large Elmer's glue sticks
1 bottle of Elmer's liquid glue
1 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 package baby wipes
1 package napkins
1 bottle of hand sanitizer 2 to 3 oz.
1 package disinfecting wipes
If your last name begins with the following letters, please bring the item listed below:
Last Name A-M: 1 large box tissues
Last Name N-Z: 1 box gallon Ziploc bags



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 12 –count package colored pencils
1 ten count fine tip markers
2 packages 24-count Crayola crayons
6 large Elmer's washable glue sticks
1 clipboard 9x12
1 large pink eraser
2 large Kleenex boxes
2 packages disinfected wipes (Clorox)
1 bottle of hand sanitizer 2 to 3 oz.
1 set of headphones
1 package Expo Dry Erase markers
1 highlighter
Boys: Quart size Ziploc bags
Girls: 1 pkg of baby wipes

3rd Grade

3 - 24-count Ticonderoga pencils
2 two-pocket folders without clasps
1 yellow chisel-tip highlighter
1 - 24-count pencil top erasers
3 large boxes of tissues
1 pointed scissors
3 small washable glue sticks
1 zippered pencil pouch
1 set of headphones
3 wide-rule composition books
1 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 package, 100 count, 3x3 self-stick notes
1 bottle of hand sanitizer 2 to 3 oz.
Tennis Shoes for P.E.

4th Grade

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

5th Grade

10+ count Expo low odor dry erase, chisel tip markers
1 set of ear buds (to keep in the classroom)
1 low-profile* clipboard
3 – 24 count packages of pencils
12-count colored pencils
1 – 8 count washable markers
2 large erasers
3 large boxes of tissues
1 folder
1 large zippered pencil pouch/box
2 yellow highlighters
1 package 100-count 3x5 white ruled index cards
2 single-subject college-rule notebooks OR 1-3 subject college-rule notebook
1 stick of deodorant for locker
Scissors
2 large glue sticks
2 large containers of disinfecting wipes
1 bottle of hand sanitizer 2 to 3 oz.
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
Tennis Shoes for P.E.

6th Grade

Clear water bottle
1 set ear buds to keep in the classroom-NOT headphones
6 college-rule spiral notebooks (4 red, 1 yellow, 1 blue)
1 Graph Composition Notebook, quad-ruled 4 x 4 (Walmart)
3 two pocket folders (assorted colors)
1 green two-pocket paper folder (health)
1 package 12-count latex-free pink eraser caps
4 assorted color chisel-tip highlighters
1 large zippered pencil pouch
Scissors
Calculator (Standard Function)
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 2 to 3 oz.
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
Tennis Shoes for P.E.

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

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

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	Red (two red notebooks for English 7 & 8)
* FACS/Ind. Tech/Music/Art	Yellow (You will need three of these, one per trimester)		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">* Pens; black, blue, (2 each), red (4 each)* Markers (1 set)* One set of colored pencils* 1 roll of scotch tape		<ul style="list-style-type: none">* 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)
- * Science 7 3-ring binder, minimum 1-1/2 inch

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.

2020-2021 Glencoe-Silver Lake bus route information

Glencoe and 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 ALL 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 is eligible for busing). Please call your child’s school building if you don’t receive the mailing.

SILVER LAKE RURAL ROUTES

If any changes have been made, you will be notified directly by the bus driver. New families on rural routes should call the bus garage at 320-864-3032, with any questions.

MORNING TRANSFER INFORMATION

All buses will arrive at GSL Junior/Senior High School at 7:35 a.m. Buses will leave at approximately 7:40 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

Students will be picked up at their school and taken to GSL Junior/Senior High School. All buses will leave the transfer location at approximately 3:15 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
- 7:20 18th St. and Ives Ave.
- 7:25 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
- 7:25 7th St. and Elliott Ave.
- 7:26 9th St. and Elliott Ave.
- 7:28 12th St. and Elliott Ave.
- 7:30 12th St. and Baxter Ave.
- 7:32 15th St. and Desoto Ave.
- 7:35 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
- 6:42 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 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:

- 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 Terry Becker 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



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.

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:

- The school district is not responsible for students participating in a walking bus. Parents are responsible for their own children.
- To begin, invite children from families who live nearby to walk.
- Pick a route and take a test walk.
- Take a look at the sidewalks or paths along the route.
- Consider the traffic. How busy are the streets?
- Look at the crosswalks along the route. Is it easy to cross the street?
- 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:

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

Student Pick-Up Notice - Important!

Beginning in September, all of our student pick-ups will take place at the main Lincoln Elementary Entrance (Door 11), which is located along 16th Street. We are making this change to improve our ability to supervise children and assure their safety. Parents, when picking up children during the day and/or after school, park in our lot at the corner of 16th & Pryor. Walk along the south side of the building and enter Lincoln Elementary through Door 11. At dismissal, please wait on the ramp as children are dismissed at 3:10 PM. Please call 320-864-2666 with any questions.

*You must check in at the Lincoln Elementary Office if you are visiting the school, volunteering, dropping off late, picking up students early or at the end of the day. Door 14 on the west side of Lincoln is no longer a student “pick up” door.

Thank you - Lincoln Elementary



Glencoe-Silver Lake Schools
Community Education

The health of our students is our #1 priority, and we will be implementing recommendations from the Minnesota Department of Health to provide a safe in-person learning environment. We will continue to be adaptive and responsive to the guidelines in an effort to provide quality services that are safe and fun for all involved. Although we know that the modifications that are being made to some programs do/will not meet the needs of all families, we are focused on providing the best services possible to our community that meet the state guidelines.

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 the Community Ed Office
320-864-2690



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 2020) 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 - 8:15 AM Monday through Friday (before school)
3:10 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 2020-2021 SCHOOL YEAR program begins September 8 and ends June 2.
- The 2021 SUMMER PROGRAM will begin June 3 (Dates are subject to change with the GSL school calendar)

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

September 8	October 14, 15, & 16
November 30	December 23, 28, 29, 30, & 31
January 18	February 15
March 8	April 5

Days when P.A.C. is closed:

September 7	November 26 & 27
December 24 & 25	January 1
April 2	May 31

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 '21 registration fee

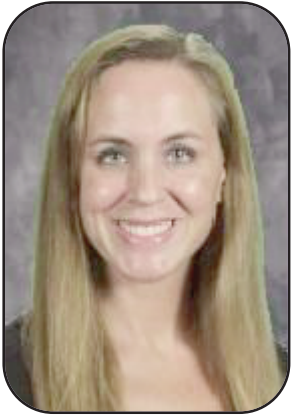
Please register early if you have AM needs.

For more information call:

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

GSL Early Childhood: Let’s Play

Early Childhood Family Education & School Readiness Preschool



ALICIA BESTE
GSL ECFE &
Preschool Director/
Parent Educator

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.

Fall
Open
House

Join us at the Early Childhood Learning Center (1621 16th St. E., Glencoe) on Wednesday, September 2 from 3-6 p.m. as we kick off the 2020-2021 school year. This will also be 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 classes. Check the website and Facebook for more details.

Glencoe-Silver Lake
School Readiness
Preschool

Parent Aware
Rated Program

★★★★★
Highest Possible Rating

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, 2020 and are toilet trained. Registration for the2020-2021 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 ECFE Library.

United Way
Awards Funds

United Way

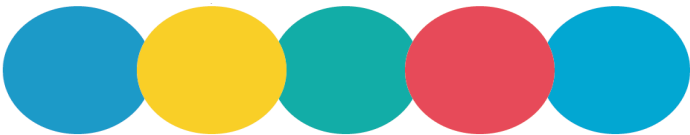
The United Way of McLeod County has awarded funds to the GSL ECFE/School Readiness Preschool program for additional paraprofessional support this year. Thank you to the United Way for their continued support of early learning at GSL! Please consider supporting the work of the United Way in McLeod County.

GSL ECFE programs are located at:

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

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

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



Fall Dates	
September 2	GSL ECFE/SR Preschool Fall Open House 3:00-6:00
September 8	Early Childhood Screening
September 10	Pre-K Panthers Check-In Day All day, by appointment
September 11	Cubs Check-In Day All day, by appointment
September 14	Pre-K Panthers Classes Begin
September 15	Cubs Classes Begin
September 21	Fall ECFE Classes Begin
October 9	Early Childhood Screening





**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.

**2020-2021 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 promote 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 e-mail 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.

Welcome back to school!

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

Open House &
First Day of School

Lincoln Elementary School
K through 2nd Grade
“CHECK IN DAY” SEPT. 2 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM &
SEPT. 8 7:30 AM - 1:30 PM
SEPT. 9 FIRST DAY OF CLASSES **K-2**

Lakeside Elementary School
3rd through 6th grade
OPEN HOUSE SEPT. 1 1:00 PM -3:00 PM
SEPT. 2 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM
Sept. 8 - First Day of Classes **3-6**

GSL JUNIOR/SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL
Grades 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12
OPEN HOUSE SEPT. 2 3:00 TO 6:00 PM
Sept. 8 - First Day of Classes **7-12**

Casa Abierta y Primer
Dia de Escuela

Escuela Elemental Lincoln
Kindergarten a Grado 2
Septiembre 2 10:00 am- 6:00 pm & Septiembre 8
7:30 am - 1:30 pm “Día para Conocer a su Maestra”
Sept. 9 - Primer Día de Clases K-2

Escuela Elemental Lakeside
Grados 3 a 6
Check in Día Septiembre 1. 1:00 pm a las 3:00 pm
Septiembre 2, 10:00 am a las 6:00 pm
Septiembre 8 - Primer Día de Clases 3-6

GSL Junior/Senior High School
Grados 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12
Casa Abierta Septiembre 2, 3:00 pm a las 6:00 pm
Septiembre 8 - Primer Día de Clases **7-12**

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
Community Ed Office _____ 320-864-2690

Field House _____ 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

John McBride - interpreter _____ 320-864-2686

School Hours

School	Start	End
Lincoln Elementary	8:15	3:10
Lakeside	8:10	3:00
GSL JR/SR High School	8:12	3:20

Horas Escolares

Escuela	Comienzo	Fin
Lincoln Elemental	8:15	3:10
Lakeside Elemental	8:10	3:00
GSL JR/SR High School	8:12	3:20



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

WCCO (AM 830)
KDUZ (AM 1260)
KARP (FM 106.9)

Television Stations

WCCO (Channel 4) Fox 9 (Channel 9)
KSTP (Channel 5) KARE (Channel 11)

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.

Need Information?
Check out the
GSL Website
www.gsl.k12.mn.us

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
- ECFE Information
- ECFE/Preschool Activities/Events
- School Board Meeting Agendas
- Minutes of School Board Meetings
- District Policies
- Notifications
- And Much More!



Board Approved 2/11/2019									
									
2020-2021 GSL SCHOOL CALENDAR									
MONTH	M	T	W	TH	F	Class Days	Tchr Days		
2020									
AUGUST	3 10 17 24 30	4 11 18 25	5 12 19 26	6 13 20 27	7 14 21 28	0 0 0	0 0 0	<div><div></div></div> <div><div></div></div> <div><div></div></div> <div>Equals Teacher Workshop <input type="checkbox"/> No Students</div> <div>Equals Days School Not in Session (No Students or Staff)</div> <div>Equals Parent/Teacher Conferences <input type="checkbox"/> late afternoon and evening</div>	
SEPTEMBER	1 7 14 21 28	2 8 15 22 29	3 9 16 23 30	4 10 17 24 25	5 11 18 25 26	0 4 5 5 3	3 4 5 5 3	September 1,2,3 <input type="checkbox"/> Teacher Workshop September 7 <input type="checkbox"/> Labor Day <input type="checkbox"/> No School September 8 <input type="checkbox"/> First Day of Classes 3:12-2:00 K-12 Check-in Day September 9 <input type="checkbox"/> First Day of Classes K-12	
OCTOBER	5 12 19 26	6 13 20 27	7 14 21 28	1 8 15 22 29	2 9 16 23 30	2 5 5 5 5	2 5 3.75 5 5	October 12-Evening 7:12 Parent-Teacher Conferences October 12 and 13 <input type="checkbox"/> Evening K-6 Parent-Teacher Conferences October 14 <input type="checkbox"/> K-6 Daytime Conferences 7:12 Teacher Inservice <input type="checkbox"/> No Students October 15-16 <input type="checkbox"/> Education Minnesota Conference <input type="checkbox"/> No School	
NOVEMBER	2 9 16 23 30	3 10 17 24	4 11 18 25	5 12 19 26 27	6 13 20 27 28	5 5 5 3 0	5 5 5 3 1	November 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Election Day November 11 <input type="checkbox"/> Veterans Day November 26 and 27 <input type="checkbox"/> Thanksgiving Break <input type="checkbox"/> No School November 30 <input type="checkbox"/> Teacher Workshop <input type="checkbox"/> No School	
						54	59.75	END OF FIRST TRIMESTER	
DECEMBER	7 14 21 28	8 15 22 29	9 16 23 30	10 17 24 31	11 18 25 31	4 5 5 2 0	4 5 5 2 0	December 23-January 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Christmas/Winter/Hanukkah Break <input type="checkbox"/> No School	
2021									
JANUARY	4 11 18 25	5 12 19 26	6 13 20 27	7 14 21 28	8 15 22 29	0 5 5 4 5	0 5 5.25 4 5	January 1 <input type="checkbox"/> New Year's Day Observed <input type="checkbox"/> No School January 4 <input type="checkbox"/> First Day of Classes <input type="checkbox"/> 2021 January 14 <input type="checkbox"/> Evening 7:12 Parent-Teacher Conferences January 18 <input type="checkbox"/> Martin Luther King Day <input type="checkbox"/> No School OR 3rd snow day	
FEBRUARY	1 8 15 22	2 9 16 23	3 10 17 24	4 11 18 25	5 12 19 26	5 5 4 5	5 5.5 4 5	February 9 and 11 <input type="checkbox"/> Evening K-6 Parent-Teacher Conferences February 15 <input type="checkbox"/> Presidents' Day <input type="checkbox"/> No School	
MARCH	1 8 15 22 29	2 9 16 23 30	3 10 17 24 31	4 11 18 25 26	5 12 19 26 27	5 5 5 3 3	5 5 5 3 3	END OF SECOND TRIMESTER	
						59	59.75	END OF SECOND TRIMESTER	
						4 5 5 3	5 5 5 3	March 8 <input type="checkbox"/> Teacher Workshop <input type="checkbox"/> No School	
APRIL	6 12 19 26	7 13 20 27	8 14 21 28	1 8 15 22 29	2 9 16 23 30	1 4 5 5 5	1 4 5 5 5	April 2 <input type="checkbox"/> Good Friday <input type="checkbox"/> No School April 5 <input type="checkbox"/> Easter Monday <input type="checkbox"/> No School	
MAY	3 10 17 24 31	4 11 18 25	5 12 19 26	6 13 20 27	7 14 21 28	5 5 5 5 0	5 5 5 5 0	May 31 <input type="checkbox"/> Memorial Day <input type="checkbox"/> No School	
JUNE	5 12 19	6 13 20	7 14 21	8 15 22	9 16 23	2 0 0 0	3 0.5 1 0	June 2 <input type="checkbox"/> Last Day of School for Students June 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Last Day of School for Staff 1 additional Flex Staff Day During the School Year Friday, June 4 <input type="checkbox"/> Graduation Day	
						59	62.5	END OF THIRD TRIMESTER	
						172	182		
Storm Day Note: 1st 2 Storm Days: Digital Days. 3rd Storm Day: Martin Luther King Day - January 18 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.									

GSL Panther Booster Club

The GSL Panther Booster Club supports all activities at GSL. They provide funding and volunteers to promote and support fine arts, athletics and other school sponsored activities. On average, they have raised and donated over \$33,000 to GSL activities.

Supported projects and groups include: background checks for all volunteer coaches, the athletic trainer that is present for all home JV and Varsity games, serving refreshments at the Fall Musical, the senior yard signs and a host of other items. The Booster Club has various fundraisers throughout the year including a golf tournament, wrestling tournament, basketball tournament and bean bag tournament.

All families are encouraged to become a "Super Fan." You can be as active or inactive as you want to be. You can simply support the Booster Club by becoming an individual/family member at \$30 and do nothing else or you can volunteer to help when needed by working events or the concession stand at activities and games.

The Booster Club Board members graciously thank all local businesses that support with cash donations and/or donating supplies for events. They are a huge reason that the Booster Club can fund the requests that come to them.

The 2020-2021 Booster Club Board members are: President, Eric Dietel; Vice-President, Joel Voelz; Treasurer, Mary Stoltenburg; Secretary, Susie Hedtke; Dave Brown, Kim Busse, Trevore Butcher, Susie Christianson, Kim Dietel, Sam Hussong, Jim Kosek, Rob Lemke, John & Beth Petersen, Kristin Roepke, and Joia Ziegler.

To become a Super Fan, you can contact any of the Booster Club Board members, stop in at the merchandise stand or send your name and email (email only if you would like to help with Booster events) and include a \$30 check payable to:

GSL Panther Booster Club
Joia Ziegler
1709 McLeod Ave N
Glencoe, MN 55336



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@gsl.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 2020-2021 school year, contact Superintendent Chris Sonju at 320-864-2498 or at csjonju@gsl.k12.mn.us.