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NEWSLETTER OF GLENCOE-SILVER LAKE SCHOOL DISTRICT #2859

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Fall 2019



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Here's to a great 2019-2020 school year!

Welcome to the 2019-2020 school year! Wow, the graduating class of 2020. The years continue to fly back, and I am sure that this year is no exception. I am very excited to get the new school year going. I would like to welcome all students, staff and families back for what promises to be a great year. A special welcome to all of our new people that are joining the GSL family. We hope that you find GSL to be a high quality, high caring, and student-focused school. Our vision is simple: To connect, To lead, To inspire. By focusing on these three things we carry out our mission which is, "Creating a culture where education is valued, excellence is expected, and lifelong learning thrives." This is what we do, each and every day for our students. At GSL, we take the education and the learning experience of our students very seriously. We expect our students to do great things, both in and out of the classroom and each school year, our kids don't disappoint. I look forward to the many success stories and learning opportunities that the 2019-2020 school year will bring.

On November 5, 2019, the GSL School District will be asking our voters to support our operating levy. This levy is scheduled to expire June 30, 2020. These dollars are critical to continue to keep the programs and offerings for our students. Please watch for more information as we get closer to the vote and please call and/email if you ever have any questions. I can be reached at 320-864-2498 or email at csonju@gsl.k12.mn.us. I am more than happy to answer any questions you may have.

I want to take this opportunity to thank all of our stakeholders for your continued support of our School District. All of us play an important role in the success of our schools. With your continued support, our students will continue to have success. I am very proud of this district and look forward to the continuous improvement in all that we do. Here's to a great 2019-2020 school year and today and everyday..... "It's a great day to be a panther!"




Important Dates

Aug. 28 - Open House 3-6 p.m.
Aug. 28 - Grades K-2 "Check-In Day" 3-6 p.m.
Sept. 2 - Labor Day - No School
Sept. 3 - First Day of Classes for grades 3-12
Grades K-2 "Check-In Day" 9-1 p.m.
Sept. 4 - First Day of Classes K-2
Sept. 10- Lincoln Elementary Picture Day

Sept. 12 - Lakeside Elementary Picture Day
Sept. 13 - JR High/SR High Picture Day
Flu Shot Clinic-Sept. 25 @ Lakeside Elem. 2:30 - 4:30
Flu Shot Clinic-Sept. 26 @ GSL HS Media Center 3:00 - 5:00
Football - GSL vs. Watertown-Mayer, Friday Sept. 6, 7:00 p.m.
Homecoming Week Sept. 16-20 (Coronation Mon. Sept. 16 @ 8 p.m.)
Homecoming Football-GSL vs. Holy Family, Friday, Sept. 20 @ 7:00 p.m.

Parent Teacher Conference Dates:

Lincoln & Lakeside Elementary:

October 14 and 15 - Evening K-6 Parent-Teacher Conferences
Oct. 16 - K-6 **Daytime Conferences - No Students**

Glencoe-Silver Lake JR/SR High School

Oct. 7 - Gr. 7-12 Evening conferences
Oct. 17 - **7-12 Teacher Inservice - No Students**

Oct. 18 **No School K-12** - Education MN Conference
Oct. 19 **No School K-12** - Education MN Conference



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

Lincoln Elementary & Lakeside Elementary Welcome Back!

Dear Parents & Guardians of Elementary Students-

School is fast approaching and elementary staff members are eager to welcome our learners back to school! As your educational partners, we believe that parent/guardian involvement and home/school connections are crucial to your child's success. Our check-in appointments at Lincoln Elementary and Open House at Lakeside Elementary will provide one opportunity for parents and school staff to partner in support of children.

Lincoln Elementary Check-in Days

Check-in appointments with your child's teacher are scheduled for Wednesday, 8/28 and Tuesday 9/3. A separate mailing with detailed information was mailed to your home on August 9th. Please call Kim Ruschmeier at 320-864-2666 with any questions.

Lakeside Elementary Open House

A "come-and-go" Open House is scheduled for Wednesday, 8/28 from 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM. Please call Lori Hatlestad at 320-864-2500 with any 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 many 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.

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



Cordially,
Bill Butler & Joy Freitag



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 2018-2019 school year, contact Superintendent Chris Sonju at 320-864-2498 or at csonju@gsl.k12.mn.us.

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GLENCOE-SILVER LAKE
SCHOOL DISTRICT PATRON



GSL Fall Musical 7:00 PM
November 14, 15, 16, 21, 22, and 23
Extra! Extra!
GSL PRESENTS DISNEY'S NEWSIES THIS FALL!

Get ready to “Seize the Day” with this riveting musical, the real-life tale of the Newsboys Strike of 1899. A true David and Goliath story, the Newsies faced incredible opposition from Joseph Pulitzer and the New York World. The Newsies battled for fair treatment of the working class. Newsies is a show about courage in the face of fear, standing up against injustice, and hope for a better tomorrow. Could you get a better message?

We welcome new and returning musical participants to be a part of this great show. We will have regular practices most days after school until 5:30, along with occasional extended dance rehearsals. Participants will be given a schedule at the first rehearsal on Thursday, August 29 and attendance is expected at all required rehearsals and performances.

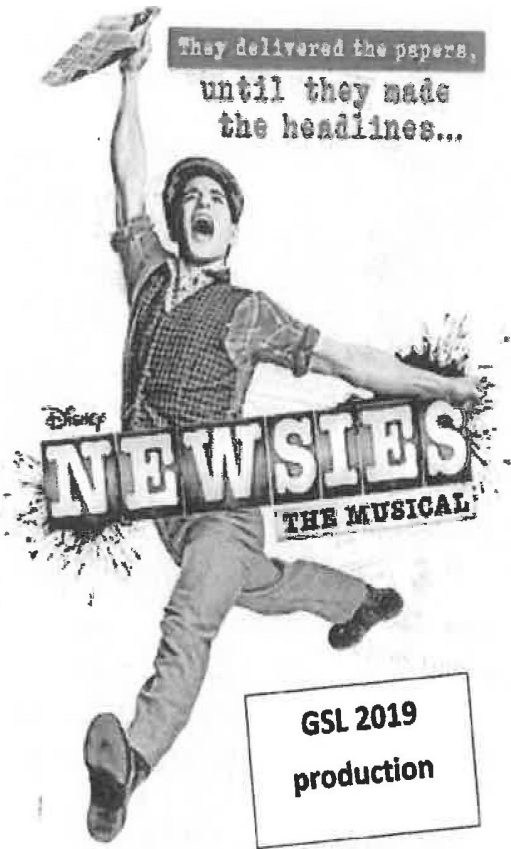
Auditions will include a song, a short memorized monologue (both participant choice), the audition dance, and possibly some character work. The music, dancing, singing, and camaraderie that happens during the musical season is unequalled in any other activity.
**Any 7-12 graders interested in being in the fall musical should first sign-up through the GSL Activities Department
www.gsl.k12.mn.us->Athletics/Activities

Performance dates of NEWSIES will be November 14, 15, 16, 21, 22, 23 at 7:00 p.m. in the GSL Auditorium.

**Once enrolled, please visit the Fall Musical page at www.gsl.k12.mn.us->Athletics/Activities->Fine Arts->Fall Musical for more information and the Signup Genius link for your audition time slot. On Tuesday, August 20 from 3:00-5:00 p.m. we will teach the audition dance (required) and hold an informational session (optional). Wear clothes/shoes appropriate for intense physical movement. Closed auditions will be held Wednesday, August 21 and Thursday, August 22 from 2:00-5:00 in the GSL Auditorium at your prescheduled time slot. Individual auditions last about 15 minutes so come prepared and be on time.

We hope you come out and show your support for our GSL students in their production of Disney's NEWSIES!

Director – Kay Wilson, Assistant Director – Alicia Beste, with additional assistance from Jeff Iverson, Dawn Peterson, Val Bonderman, Gabby Fountain, and Tori Kidd.
If you have questions please text or call MRS. WILSON during business hours at 320-291-7244



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

Title IX policy

Title IX Coordinator: Superintendent of Schools
Telephone: 320-864-2498 Office: GSL Public Schools
School Address: 1621 East 16th Street Glencoe MN 55336

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.

Hello from Chef Tony

Back to school is an exciting time for students and families, and as the beginning of the school year quickly approaches, we want to extend a warm welcome back to school and back to the café!

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 2019-2020 school year!

Breakfast and Lunch

Breakfast and lunch are served at each of the Glencoe-Silver Lake buildings each day. Breakfast is available at no charge to students.

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.

Catering

Schools are a great gathering place and our catering service focuses on high-quality food attractively presented with professional, attentive service. Whether it's a small meeting, large event or special student events such as end of year celebrations, field trips and classroom parties, Chartwells is ready to cater your event.

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
Chartwells School Dining Services
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Visit: www.Chartwellsk12.com or
<http://chartwellsk12.compass-usa.com/glencoesilverlake>



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

housekeeping 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.

2019-2020 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.

Glencoe-Silver Lake Junior/Senior High School

Hello GSL!

It is hard to believe that summer is coming to a screeching halt! Hopefully you were able to relax and had an opportunity to spend quality time with family. As many of you have heard, GSL Junior High/Senior High start times have changed. The new times are listed below:



2019-2020 Schedule



Senior High:		Junior High:	
1st Hour	8:12 AM – 9:01 AM (49 Minutes)	1st Hour	8:12 AM – 9:01 AM (49 Minutes)
2nd Hour	9:06 AM – 9:55 AM (49 Minutes)	2nd Hour	9:06 AM – 9:55 AM (49 Minutes)
3rd Hour	10:00 AM – 10:49 AM (49 Minutes)	3rd Hour	10:00 AM – 10:49 AM (49 Minutes)
4th Hour	10:54 AM – 11:43 AM (49 Minutes)	4th Hour	10:54 AM – 11:43 AM (49 Minutes)
PPH	11:43 AM – 12:43 PM (60 Minutes)	5th Hour	11:48 AM – 12:37 PM (49 Minutes)
5th Hour	12:43 PM – 1:32 PM (49 Minutes)	Lunch	12:37 PM – 1:07 PM (30 Minutes)
6th Hour	1:37 PM – 2:26 PM (49 Minutes)	RAP/Interventions	1:07 PM – 1:32 PM (25 Minutes)
7th Hour	2:31 PM – 3:20 PM (49 Minutes)	6th Hour	1:37 PM – 2:26 PM (49 Minutes)
		7th Hour	2:31 PM – 3:20 PM (49 Minutes)



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: Teagan Hill-Norby (Spanish), Jon Lambrect (Science), Stacy Palmer (Business), Jeff Iverson (Choir), and Carol Silus (Special Education).

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.



Since most of this writing has revolved around change, I would like to end this letter with a personal story regarding change. As a child, I grew up watching my uncle drive demolition derby cars in Roseau, Minnesota. I looked forward to this every summer and could hardly wait until I was old enough to drive my own car. Even though I found myself a year older every summer, it never seemed that I would be old enough to drive my own car. At the time, change seemed to happen so slowly, with many learning opportunities along the way. As a child, I was not a fan of change. Now that I am an adult, I have learned to embrace change as it brings opportunity. For reference, please see the attached picture to the right. The above photo is little Mr. Foss sitting in a 1966 Plymouth Fury from the summer of 1991. The below photo is my son, Lincoln, sitting in a 1966 Lincoln Continental taken about a week ago.



In conclusion, I am excited to embrace change and welcome back all the smiling faces to GSL for the 2019 - 2020 school year. Have a great rest of the summer and see you all soon!



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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
- On Line 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
- On Line 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



2019-2020 GSL SCHOOL CALENDAR									
Approved 02-12-2018									
									
MONTH	M	T	W	TH	F	Class Days	Tchr Days		
2017									
AUGUST				1	2				
	5	6	7	8	9				
	12	13	14	15	16				
	19	20	21	22	23				
	26	27	28	29	30	0	3		
									Equals Teacher Workshop - No Students
									Equals Days School Not in Session (No Students or Staff)
									Equals Parent/Teacher Conferences - late afternoon and evening
SEPTEMBER		3	4	5	6	4	4		August 27, 28, and 29 - Teacher Workshop
	9	10	11	12	13	5	5		September 2 - Labor Day
	16	17	18	19	20	5	5		September 3 - First Day of School 3-12: K-2 Check-in Day
20	23	24	25	26	27	5	5		September 4 - First Day of School K-2
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OCTOBER		1	2	3	4	4	4		October 7 - Evening 7-12 Parent-Teacher Conferences
	7	8	9	10	11	5	5.25		October 14-15 - Evening K-6 Parent-Teacher Conferences
	14	15	16	17	18	2	3.5		October 16- K-6 Daytime Conferences; 7-12 Teacher In-service - No Students
20	21	22	23	24	25	5	5		October 17-18 - Education Minnesota Conference - No School
	28	29	30	31		4	4		
NOVEMBER					1	1	1		November 27 - Teacher Workshop - No School
	4	5	6	7	8	5	5		November 28-29 Thanksgiving Break - No School
18	11	12	13	14	15	5	5		
	18	19	20	21	22	5	5		
	25	26	27	28	29	2	3		
58						58	63.75		END OF FIRST TRIMESTER
DECEMBER	2	3	4	5	6	5	5		December 23 - January 1 - Christmas/Winter/Hanukkah Break - No School
	9	10	11	12	13	5	5		
	16	17	18	19	20	5	5		
15	23	24	25	26	27	0	0		
	30	31							
2020									
JANUARY			1	2	3	2	2		January 1 - New Year's Day - No School
	6	7	8	9	10	5	5.25		January 2 - First Day of Classes - 2020
22	13	14	15	16	17	5	5		January 9 - Evening 7-12 Parent-Teacher Conferences
	20	21	22	23	24	5	5		January 20 - Martin Luther King Day - School in Session
	27	28	29	30	31	5	5		
FEBRUARY	3	4	5	6	7	5	5		February 17 - Presidents' Day - No School
	10	11	12	13	14	5	5.5		February 11 and 13 - Evening K-6 Parent-Teacher Conferences
19	17	18	19	20	21	4	4		
	24	25	26	27	28	5	5		
56						56	56.75		END OF SECOND TRIMESTER
MARCH	2	3	4	5	6	4	5		March 2 - Teacher Workshop - No School
	9	10	11	12	13	5	5		
21	16	17	18	19	20	5	5		
	23	24	25	26	27	5	5		
	30	31				2	2		
APRIL			1	2	3	3	3		April 10 - Good Friday
	6	7	8	9	10	3	3		April 13 - Easter Monday
18	13	14	15	16	17	3	3		April 9-14 Spring Break
	20	21	22	23	24	5	5		
	27	28	29	30		4	4		
MAY					1	1	1		May 28- Last Day of School for Students
	4	5	6	7	8	5	5		May 25 - Memorial Day - No School
19	11	12	13	14	15	5	5		Friday May 29 - Graduation Day
	18	19	20	21	22	5	5		May 29 - Last Day of School for Staff
	25	26	27	28	29	3	4		
JUNE	1	2	3	4	5	0	1		1 Additional Flex Staff Day During the School Year
	8	9	10	11	12	0	0.5		Additional 9 hours for 7-12 "Targeted Conferences" (3 hrs. each Trimester)
	15	16	17	18	19	0	0		
58						58	61.5		END OF THIRD TRIMESTER
						172	182		
Storm Day Note:									
1st 2 Storm Days: Digital Different Days; 3rd Storm Day; Presidents Day, February 17; 4th Storm day, TBD									
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.									



"School bells are ringing loud and clear; vacation's over. school is here"



Beth Jerabek,
MSN, RN, PHN, LSN
Glencoe Silver-Lake
District School Nurse
bjerabek@gsl.k12.mn.us

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.

Student-School Health Information

- **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 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



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
Office number: 320-864-2446
bjerabek@gsl.k12.mn.us

2019-2020 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 14, Bus 15, Bus 2, Bus 3, and 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

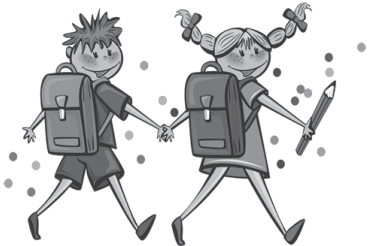
- 6:35 Rural stops
- 7:10 Biscay -All students
- 7:15 Rural stops
- 7:28 Fir Ave. and Park St.
- 7:30 17th St. and Fir Ave.

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 18th St. and Birch Ave.
- 7:32 16th St. and Ford Ave.
- 7:33 16th St. and Ives Ave.
- 7:35 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
- 7:10 4th St. N. and 3rd Ave. N.
- 7:13 3rd St. N. and 1st Ave. N.
- 7:15 5th Ave. S and 3rd St. S (School) Grades 3-6 directly to Silver Lake

Bus #11 BROWNTON

- 7:03 2nd St. N. and 8th Ave. S.
- 7:05 11th Ave. N and Division St.
- 7:08 6th Ave. S and 3rd St S
- 7:12 6th St. S. and 6th Ave. S.
- 7:15 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 on to 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:

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.

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



GSL Early Childhood: Getting Ready to Learn

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, August 28 from 3-6 p.m. as we kick off the 2019-2020 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



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, 2019 and are toilet trained. Registration for the 2019-2020 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. In our classrooms, we use SMART boards, iPads, and computers to enrich learning opportunities for your child.

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.



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>COMM ED>ECFE
www.facebook.com/GSLECFESR

Fall Dates

- August 28 GSL ECFE/SR Preschool Fall Open House 3:00-6:00
- September 3 & 4 Early Childhood Screening
- September 5 Pre-K Panthers Check-In Day All day, by appointment
- September 6 Cubs Check-In Day All day, by appointment
- September 9 Pre-K Panthers Classes Begin
- September 10 Cubs Classes Begin
- September 16 Fall ECFE Classes Begin
- October 7 Early Childhood Screening



United Way
Awards Funds



The United Way of McLeod County has awarded funds to the GSL ECFE/School Readiness Preschool program for the first phase of construction on our Outdoor Classroom. Volunteers from the National Education Association, our local Education Minnesota chapter, and our programs begin work prepping the courtyard area between the Early Childhood Learning Center and Lincoln Elementary on Friday, June 29. Early Childhood Special Education was also awarded funds to add new equipment and sensory items to our large motor room. Thank you to the United Way for their continued support of early learning at GSL!



Glencoe-Silver Lake Schools
Community Education

Welcome to another year of Community Education, a program that reaches all ages and needs. Whether you are looking for adult basic education, preschool recreation, youth and adult recreation and enrichment opportunities, AARP Driver Safety classes, swim lessons or school-age care (Panther Adventure Club), Community Education offers something for everyone. Community Education strives to meet the needs of all of our community members.

Thanks to Our Volunteers

The Community Education staff would like to thank all our volunteers who make our programs a success. This summer alone, we had over 75 volunteers helping with our youth recreation program. Without the dedication and support of volunteers, our programs would not be what they are today.



Fall 2019 Catalog

The Fall 2019 Community Education brochures were delivered with the Advertiser the weekend of August 3rd. The brochure contains all of our current activities, classes and community events.

A copy of the Community Education brochure is also available on our website at:
www.gsl.k12.mn.us under the “Community Education” tab

2019 Fall Recreation Deadlines

Please note many of the recreation activities for youth have registration deadlines in August, prior to the start of school.

Please take time to register before the deadline to ensure your child will have a place on the team.

*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 2019) 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!



District 2859 elementary children entering Kindergarten through 6th Grade in the Fall of 2019

Location:

Lincoln Elementary School
1621 16th St, E. Glencoe, MN 55336
Jane Goettl, Coordinator, 320-864-2693
320-510-0116 PAC cell number

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 2019-2020 SCHOOL YEAR program begins September 3 and ends May 28.
- The 2020 SUMMER PROGRAM will begin May 29
(Dates are subject to change with the GSL school calendar)

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

September 3	October 16, 17, 18
November 27	December 23, 26, 27, 30 & 31
January 20	February 17
March 2	April 9, 13 & 14

Days when P.A.C. is closed:

September 2	November 28 & 29
December 24 & 25	January 1
April 10	May 27

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 ‘20 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

Welcome Back.....

I know we say it every year, but where did the summer go? Here we are ready to start the 2019-2020 school year. Welcome back everyone! What is it about starting the new school year that makes me feel like I should buy a new box of crayons? And there is nothing like seeing the shiny floors as you enter the school buildings along with the excitement on “most” of the children’s faces!



As for me, I am starting my 13th year with the District as the Business Manager. Where has 12 years gone? They sure have been a fun-filled, fast-paced, action-packed 12 years. As a district, we have accomplished so much in terms of financial status and improvement on our facilities. As a community, you should be proud of what we have to offer our families in an educational facility.

Most recently of course is the parking lot improvements at both the Glencoe campus and the Silver Lake campus. As I write this, they are still finishing the project and my hope is as you are reading this, they have completed the project! As with any project, there are always a few bumps along the way, but we have gotten through them so far and are on budget. We are excited to have a beautiful new parking lot to enhance our facility. Moreover, after all these years to have an asphalt parking lot in Silver Lake will be exciting. No more gravel potholes and sink holes! Thank you so much for your “parking” patience as we needed to adjust parking over the summer.

We have been busy working with auditors and getting through our year-end financial process. We will have final audited numbers for fiscal year 2019 available by the October school board meeting. We will also be starting the levy process in September for the 2020-2021 school year, which means we also start the budget process, and will already be planning for the next year. Vision and planning never end.

I just wanted to touch briefly on our upcoming referendum election that will take place on November 5, 2019. If you remember, we had this referendum question on the ballot that took place last November with an unsuccessful outcome. The Operating Referendum that is currently in place will expire on June 30, 2020. That means that if we do not pass the referendum this year, we will not have a referendum in place for the 2020-2021 school year. We lose our levy authority to raise the additional revenue. Without a referendum, we will lose approximately \$300,000 in additional revenue that we receive to operate the district. The reason we operate with the additional referendum is that the revenue we receive from the State of Minnesota is not adequate to cover our educational expenses. Almost all of the Districts in the State are operating with an additional referendum just to keep up with inflation. You will be receiving additional information on this important election over the next few months with all of the information you need to make an educated vote. In the meantime, please feel free to contact me with any questions that you might have regarding the referendum or any other matters that I might be able to answer for you.

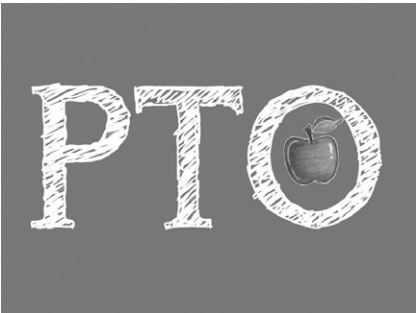
Thanks for all of your support to our school programs and for supporting education in our communities.

Have a great school year!

Michelle Sander, Business Manager
320-864-2496
MSander@gsl.k12.mn.us



Spotlight on PTO



The GSL Elementary PTO has been busy working behind the scenes to support the K-6 community!!! While the Rotary generously donated trees for the wind-break at Lincoln Elementary, we were able to pay to deliver them to their future home! Back-to-school is right around the corner, and our annual “welcome back” gifts to our faculty will be assembled shortly. Everyone loves to feel appreciated, and we want to show our support in a tangible way. This year, we will be presenting each grade level (and specialists, too,) with a monetary gift to use as they deem necessary.

Finally, look for announcements on our Facebook page (GSL Elementary PTO) regarding our upcoming Fall Carnival!



What exactly is an “Elementary PTO?”

Parent – Parenting touches all aspects of our children’s lives, especially their education during these formative years. It is not uncommon,

then, for parents to reach out and be involved in the elementary schools, whether it is volunteering to chaperone a field trip, attending a parent-teacher conference, or sending a supportive e-mail to your child’s teacher!

The GSL Elementary PTO gives parents a way to encourage the faculty and students by providing community-building events on a large scale and morale boosters to teachers on a smaller scale.

Teacher – The PTO has both parents and teachers in our core group. The principals of both schools and teacher liaisons from each building provide input on how the PTO can best meet the needs of students, families, and staff. Parents can make such a difference by simply reaching out to their child’s teacher! Even if you feel too busy to volunteer at the school, a friendly e-mail can serve to open the lines of communication and support with someone who has your child’s best interest at heart.

Organization – Our group has filed the necessary paperwork to become an official organization. We have Articles of incorporation, a tax ID number, and officers. We have our own bank account and treasurer, and are allowed to host fundraisers and use the money as we see fit. Although we happily serve our schools, we are a separate entity from Lincoln Elementary and Lakeside Elementary.

Your GSL Elementary PTO has been meeting over the summer to plan some wonderful events for the upcoming school year! Stay abreast of our happenings by visiting our Facebook page or requesting periodic e-mail updates (gslelementarypto@gmail.com). As always, you may contact your child’s teacher or school to find out more about the PTO, as well.

GSL PanthersBooster Club

The GSL Panther Booster Club supports all activities at GSL. They provider funding and volunteers to promote and support fine arts, athletics and other school sponsored activities. On average, they have raised and donated over \$25,000 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 Awards night and a host of other items. The Booster Club has various fundraisers throughout the year, the first of which will be the Tailgate Party at the September 13th Panther football game. Other fundraisers include a golf tournament, wrestling tournament and a basketball 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 2019-2020 Booster Club Board members are: President, Jodi Richer; Vice-President, Joel Voelz; Treasurer, Mary Stoltenburg; Secretary, Susie Hedtke; Dave Brown, Kim Busse, Trevore Butcher, Eric Dietel, Kim Dietel, Dan Ehrke, Jim Kosek, Rob Lemke, 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



SUPPLY LIST FOR ELEMENTARY K-6 STUDENTS

- Kindergarten**
- 1 backpack or school bag (without wheels)
 - 2 one-subject, wide rule, 70 count spiral notebook
 - 2 two-pocket folders (without clasps)
 - 1 large Kleenex tissue
 - 2 pop-up canisters antibacterial wipes (use on skin)
 - 1 Fiskars five-inch pointed scissors
 - 2 packages 10-count Crayola washable markers, broad tip classic colors
 - 2 packages 24-count Crayola crayons
 - 2 packages 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
 - 1 four-count Expo low odor dry erase chisel tip assorted markers (black, blue, red, and green)
 - 1 One & one half (1 ½) inch 3 ring binder with clear plastic front sleeve/cover
 - 1 package 50-count 3x5 spiral bound index cards
 - Tennis Shoes for P.E.
- If your last name begins with the following letters, please bring the item listed below:
- A-E 1 package large paper plates
 - F-J 1 package small paper plates
 - K-O 1 package gallon zip lock baggies
 - P-T 1 package quart zip lock baggies
 - U-Z 1- 4 pack of Play-dough (any colors)
 - A-M 1 large package of napkins
 - N-Z 1- 4 pack of Sharpie markers (any color)

- 1st Grade**
- 1 backpack/school bag (without wheels)
 - 36 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
 - 5 giant/large Elmer’s glue sticks
 - 1 bottle Elmer’s liquid glue
 - 1 plastic pencil box (no zippers or buckles)
 - 1 yellow highlighter
 - 1 pink eraser
 - 1 package 3x3 Post-It-Notes
 - 2 black Expo Dry Erase markers
 - 2 wide ruled 70 count spiral notebooks, solid red & blue (no glitter, designs and etc.)
 - 3 two pocket folders, solid red, blue, and yellow (no prongs, no glitter, designs and etc.)
 - 1 large box of baby wipes
 - 1 package napkins
 - Last Name A-M: 1 large box tissues
 - Last Name N-Z: 1 package disinfecting wipes
 - Tennis Shoes for P.E.



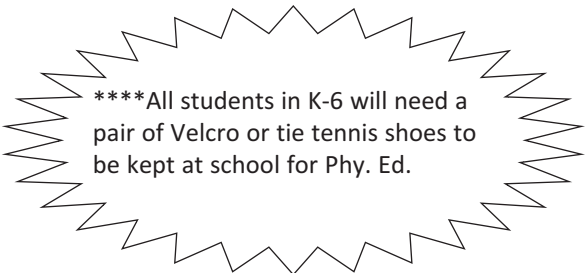
- 2nd Grade**
- 1 backpack/school bag (without wheels)
 - 12 Ticonderoga sharpened pencils
 - 4 one-subject, wide ruled 70 count spiral notebook (solid red, green, blue, and black)
 - 3 two pocket paper folders without clasps (solid red, blue, and green)
 - 1 Fiskars pointed scissors
 - 2 ten count washable broad tip markers
 - 2 - 24 count package colored pencils
 - 1 ten count fine tip markers
 - 2 packages 24-count Crayola crayons
 - 6 large Elmer’s washable glue sticks
 - 1 low-profile* clipboard
 - 1 large pink erasers
 - 1 large Kleenex box
 - 1 container baby wipes
 - 1 package of sticky notes 3x3
 - 1 set of headphones
 - 1 package Expo Dry Erase markers
 - 1 roll of paper towels
 - 1 highlighter
 - Boys: Watercolor set
 - Girls: hand sanitizer
 - Tennis Shoes for P.E.

- 3rd Grade**
- 3 - 24-count Ticonderoga pencils
 - 2 two-pocket folders without clasps
 - 1 yellow chisel-tip highlighter
 - 1 - 24-count pencil top erasers
 - 1 large box of tissues
 - 1 pointed scissors
 - 3 large 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
 - 4 packages, 100 count, 3x3 self-stick notes
 - 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
 - 6 two-pocket folders (one must be blue– for health)
 - 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
 - 1 large box 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
 - 1 canister disinfecting wipes
 - 1 covered individual pencil sharpener for desk
 - 1 low-profile* clipboard
 - Tennis Shoes for P.E.

- 5th Grade**
- 10+ count Expo low odor dry erase, chisel tip markers
 - Headphones
 - 1 low-profile* clipboard
 - 3 – 24 count packages of pencils
 - 12-count colored pencils
 - 1 – 8 count washable markers
 - 2 large erasers
 - 2 large box 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
 - 3 large glue sticks (one for Art) & 1 bottle of glue
 - 2 large containers of disinfecting wipes
 - 1 yellow 2-pocket folder (health)
 - 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)
 - 5 college-rule spiral notebooks (4 red, 1 yellow)
 - 1 package 12-count latex-free pink eraser caps
 - yellow chisel-tip highlighter
 - 8.5x9.75 inch zippered pencil pouch to fit in trapper
 - Scissors
 - Calculator
 - 1 low-profile* clipboard
 - 2 pens (any color)
 - 1 large box tissues
 - 1 four-count Expo dry erase, chisel tip, assorted markers (black, blue, red and green) with dry erase cleaner
 - 1 eight-count Crayola washable markers, broad tip, classic colors
 - 12-count colored pencils
 - 1 green two-pocket paper folder (health)
 - 2 large washable glue sticks (1 for Art)
 - 1 stick of deodorant for locker
 - 1 trapper with tab files
 - 6 - 12-count yellow #2 sharpened pencils
 - 1 Graph Composition Notebook, quad-ruled 4 x 4 (Walmart)
 - 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.



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:

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|-------------------------|-------------------------------|---|
| * 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.

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
AUG. 28 & SEPT. 3 "CHECK IN DAY"
SEPT. 4 FIRST DAY OF CLASSES **K-2**

Lakeside Elementary School
3rd through 6th grade
OPEN HOUSE AUG. 28 3:00 TO 6:00 PM
Sept. 3 - First Day of Classes **3-6**

GSL JUNIOR/SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL
Grades 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12
OPEN HOUSE AUG. 28 3:00 TO 6:00 PM
Sept. 3 - First Day of Classes **7-12**

Casa Abierta y Primer
Dia de Escuela

Escuela Elemental Lincoln
Kindergarten a Grado 2
Agosto 28 & Septiembre 3 "Día para Conocer
a su Maestra"
Sept. 4 - Primer Día de Clases K-2

Escuela Elemental Lakeside
Grados 3 a 6
Casa Abierta Agosto 28, 3:00 pm a las 6:00 pm
Septiembre 3 - Primer Día de Clases 3-6

GSL Junior/Senior High School
Grados 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12
CASA ABIERTA AGOSTO 28, 3:00 PM A LAS 6:00 PM
SEPTIEMBRE 3 - 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 Schwirtz/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

Elementary Asst. Principal/Joy Freitag
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.