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Board of Education Meeting



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Superintendent's Report
Dr. Doeschner



Celebrating Our Students and Staff!

Knightline - Graduation



The Knightline

Glen Cove City School District Newsletter | Graduation Edition 2026



Congratulations to the Glen Cove High School Class of 2026 and their families on a memorable Commencement Ceremony on Friday, June 26. The celebration opened with beautiful musical performances by the High School Band, Concert Choir, and Orchestra, setting a joyful tone for the historic evening.

In her address, Superintendent of Schools Dr. Alexa Doeschner challenged the graduates to redefine their relationship with adversity: "I spoke about the power of a four-letter word that scores all of us: fail. I asked them to set goals that are clear, measurable, and urgent, and to dare to fail greatly on the way to reaching them. Failure is not the opposite of success. It is the road to it."

Inspiring remarks and reflections were shared throughout the evening by student leaders, including Valedictorian Saoirse Fiedor, Salutatorian Peyton Angelet, Honorary Ella Wohltmann, and Class President Ryan Martino. Words of guidance were also offered by Faculty Speaker Fran Kirsch, Principal Allen Hudson III, and Board of Education President Dr. Angela Raimo before the formal certification and presentation of the diplomas.

We wish all of our graduates a bright, successful future!



Thank you to the incredible GCTV crew for live-streaming and archiving all of our district's Moving Up and Commencement ceremonies. Scan the QR code to watch the ceremony on YouTube.

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¡Gracias al increíble equipo de GCTV por transmitir en vivo y archivar todas las ceremonias de promoción y graduación de nuestro distrito! Escanee el código QR para ver las ceremonias grabadas!

Congratulations to the Finley Middle School Class of 2026!

High school is a journey of self-discovery—step out of your comfort zone and embrace your unique self.



Zoe Pappas



Anthony Dahne



Nelson Iacolino, Dr. Alexa Doeschner, Susan Poulos, Allen Hudson III

Choose the friends who pull you up

Congratulations to our eighth graders on moving up to high school! Finley Middle School held two ceremonies on June 23 at Glen Cove High School. Assistant Principal Susan Poulos welcomed families, and Emily Lebowitz and Gwenivere Yates led the Pledge of Allegiance. Student speakers and top students Anthony Dahne and Zoe Pappas delivered speeches before Superintendent Dr. Alexa Doeschner and Principal Nelson Iacolino shared thoughtful remarks. High school is a journey of self-discovery where students are encouraged to embrace their uniqueness, step out of their comfort zones, and surround themselves with friends who uplift and inspire them.

Each student then walked across the stage to receive their diploma and congratulations from Principal Nelson Iacolino, Superintendent Dr. Doeschner, and High School Principal Allen Hudson III.

A musical performance by the seventh- and eighth-grade chorus, directed by Courtney Sack, was a highlight of the evening. We are incredibly proud of our eighth graders moving up to high school.

Felicitaciones a nuestros estudiantes de octavo grado por pasar a la escuela secundaria! La Escuela Intermedia Finley celebró dos ceremonias el 23 de junio en la Escuela Secundaria Glen Cove. La subdirectora Susan Poulos dio la bienvenida a las familias, y Emily Lebowitz y Gwenivere Yates lideraron el Juramento a la Bandera. Los estudiantes destacados Anthony Dahne y Zoe Pappas ofrecieron discursos antes de las palabras de la superintendente Dra. Alexa Doeschner y el director Nelson Iacolino. La escuela secundaria es un viaje de autodescubrimiento donde se alienta a los alumnos a ser auténticos, salir de su zona de confort y rodearse de amigos que los inspiren y apoyen.

Cada estudiante cruzó el escenario para recibir su diploma de manos del director Nelson Iacolino, la superintendente Dra. Doeschner y el director de la escuela secundaria Allen Hudson III.

La presentación musical del coro de séptimo y octavo grado, dirigido por Courtney Sack, fue un momento destacado de la noche. ¡Estamos increíblemente orgullosos de nuestros alumnos de octavo grado que pasan a la escuela secundaria!

Landing School Fifth Grade Moving Up



On Tuesday, June 23, Landing Elementary School celebrated its fifth-graders with a memorable moving-up ceremony at Glen Cove High School. Principal Lisa Carfora and Superintendent Dr. Alexa Doeschner congratulated the graduates on their hard work, encouraging them to lead with kindness as they transition to middle school.

During her remarks, Dr. Doeschner reminded the fifth-graders that they already possess the curiosity, courage, and kindness needed to succeed. She inspired them to keep asking questions, join new clubs, and support one another, while fondly recalling their teamwork on sports fields and on stage.

The celebration concluded with the presentation of student awards and diplomas, highlighted by a beautiful choral performance directed by Ms. Schidlovsky. Congratulations to the Landing Fifth-Grade Class of 2026—the future GCHS Class of 2033!

El martes 23 de junio, la Escuela Primaria Landing celebró a sus estudiantes de quinto grado con una ceremonia de ascenso en la Escuela Secundaria Glen Cove. La directora Liza Carfora y la superintendente Dra. Alexa Doeschner felicitaron a los graduados por su arduo trabajo y los animaron a liderar con amabilidad en la escuela intermedia. En sus palabras, la Dra. Doeschner destacó que los alumnos ya poseen la curiosidad, el coraje y la amabilidad para tener éxito, inspirándolos a seguir haciendo preguntas, unirse a nuevos clubes y apoyarse mutuamente como lo hicieron en los deportes y el escenario.

La celebración concluyó con la entrega de premios, diplomas y una hermosa presentación coral dirigida por la Srta. Schidlovsky. Felicitaciones a la clase de quinto grado de Landing de 2026, la futura clase de GCHS de 2033.



Connolly School Fifth Grade Moving Up



Congratulations to Connolly School's fifth graders on moving up to middle school! The June 25 ceremony was led by Interim Principal Dr. Grossane and the fifth-grade teachers.

Assistant Superintendent Mr. Klatsky commended the graduates, saying, "Students, you are ready. It has been an absolute joy watching you grow. I'll see you in middle school—please say hello in the halls!"

The ceremony featured the presentation of the OAG Civic Ambassador Award, the Dr. Mary Bear Award, and student diplomas. Under the direction of Miss Courtney Sack, students also performed a choral presentation and the Connolly School song. The event closed with a proud reminder: "Connolly School rocks—we will always be here for you!"

Felicitaciones a los estudiantes de quinto grado de la Escuela Connolly por su paso a la escuela intermedia! La ceremonia del 25 de junio fue presidida por el director interino, el Dr. Grossane, y los maestros de quinto grado.

El superintendente asistente, el Sr. Klatsky, elogió a los graduados diciendo: "¡Alumnos, están listos. Ha sido una alegría absoluta verlos crecer. Los veré en la escuela intermedia; ¡por favor, saludame en los pasillos!"

La ceremonia incluyó la entrega del Premio al Embajador Cívico de la OAG, el Premio Dra. Mary Bear y los diplomas de los estudiantes. Bajo la dirección de la Srta. Courtney Sack, los alumnos también realizaron una presentación coral e interpretaron la canción de la Escuela Connolly. El evento cerró con un recordatorio lleno de orgullo: "¡La Escuela Connolly es fantástica, siempre estaremos aquí para ustedes!"

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Where are our graduates heading next? Everywhere.

Daring to Fail Greatly
Celebrating the Class of 2026 and the Inspiring Journey Toward True Success

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Adelphi University	College of New Jersey	Fordham University	Long Island University	New York Institute of Technology
Alfred State University	College of William & Mary	Georgetown University	Loyola University Maryland	North Atlantic States Carpenters Training Fund (NASCCTF)
American College	Coggin State University	Georgia Institute of Technology	Manhattan University	North Carolina Central University
Borough College	Calvary Institute of Baruch	Hamilton College	Marquette College	North Carolina State University
Brighton University	Delaware State University	Hampton University	Marist University	Notre Dame of Maryland University
Borough of Manhattan Community College	Drexel University	Hofstra University	Monmouth College	Pharmacy & Health Sciences
Bowie State University	Drexel University of California	Hunter College	Morehead State University	Penn State University
Buffalo State University	Electrical Training Center	Illinois Institute of Technology	Morehead State University	Pennsylvania State University
Calicut University	Frederick R. Schuler	Iowa University	Morehead State University	Purdue University
Catholic University of America	Frederick R. Schuler	Iowa University	Morehead State University	Purdue University
Cedar Crest College	Florida Atlantic University	Lincoln Tech	Morehead State University	Purdue University
Clemson University			Morehead State University	Purdue University

GLEN COVE HIGH SCHOOL

A Walk Down Memory Lane

SUNY Oswego
SUNY Plattsburgh
SUNY Polytechnic Institute
SUNY Potsdam
Temple University
Towson University
Trinity College
Union College
United States Army
United States Marines
University of Albany

University of Pittsburgh
University of Rhode Island
University of Rochester
University of Southern California
University of South Florida
UCLA University
Virginia Tech
Washington University in St. Louis
Webb Institute
Western Illinois University
Western Michigan University
Western New England University
Wilkes University

Queens College CUNY
Queensborough College
Quinnipiac University
Rutgers University
Saint Joseph's University
Seton Hall University
St. Francis College
St. John's University
St. John's University
St. Thomas Aquinas College
Stevens Institute of Technology

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SUNY Buffalo
SUNY Cortland

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Glen Cove High School Class of 2026 Top Ten Students

Seraina Fustin, Valedictorian
Peyton Angeli, Salutatorian
Ellie Pihlmann, Honors
Nathan Chiswick
Arjelmy Hernandez
Kasey Miller
Benjamin Negandhi
Brandon Gervillat
Brianna Bricker
Mariah Carter

Being named one of the top ten academic students in the school district is a remarkable achievement—one that reflects years of dedication, hard work, and discipline.

Our guidance counselors shared their reflections. Kristi McCallie expressed, "Seraina might come across as quiet initially, but once you get to know her, her humor, determination and remarkable intelligence shine through. She embodies quiet strength and brilliance, leading by example with her creativity and thoughtfulness. It has been a true pleasure to watch Seraina grow and inspire others. I am excited to see all that she will achieve in the future!"

Alyssa Anderson said, "Peyton is a remarkable student, whose resilience and determination shine through in all that she does. She is a true leader, one who challenges with quiet strength and inspires others to reach their own potential. Her quiet strength and leadership are a true inspiration to her school community."

Ellie Pihlmann shared, "Ellie stands out not only for her academic excellence but, most importantly, for her character and integrity. Through her volunteer work at Glen Cove Hospital, she has shown great compassion and a deep commitment to helping others. Her kindness, empathy, and presence make her a natural leader. I am excited to see all that she will achieve in the future. I hope she will continue to lead with quiet strength and inspire others to reach their own potential. Her quiet strength and leadership are a true inspiration to her school community."

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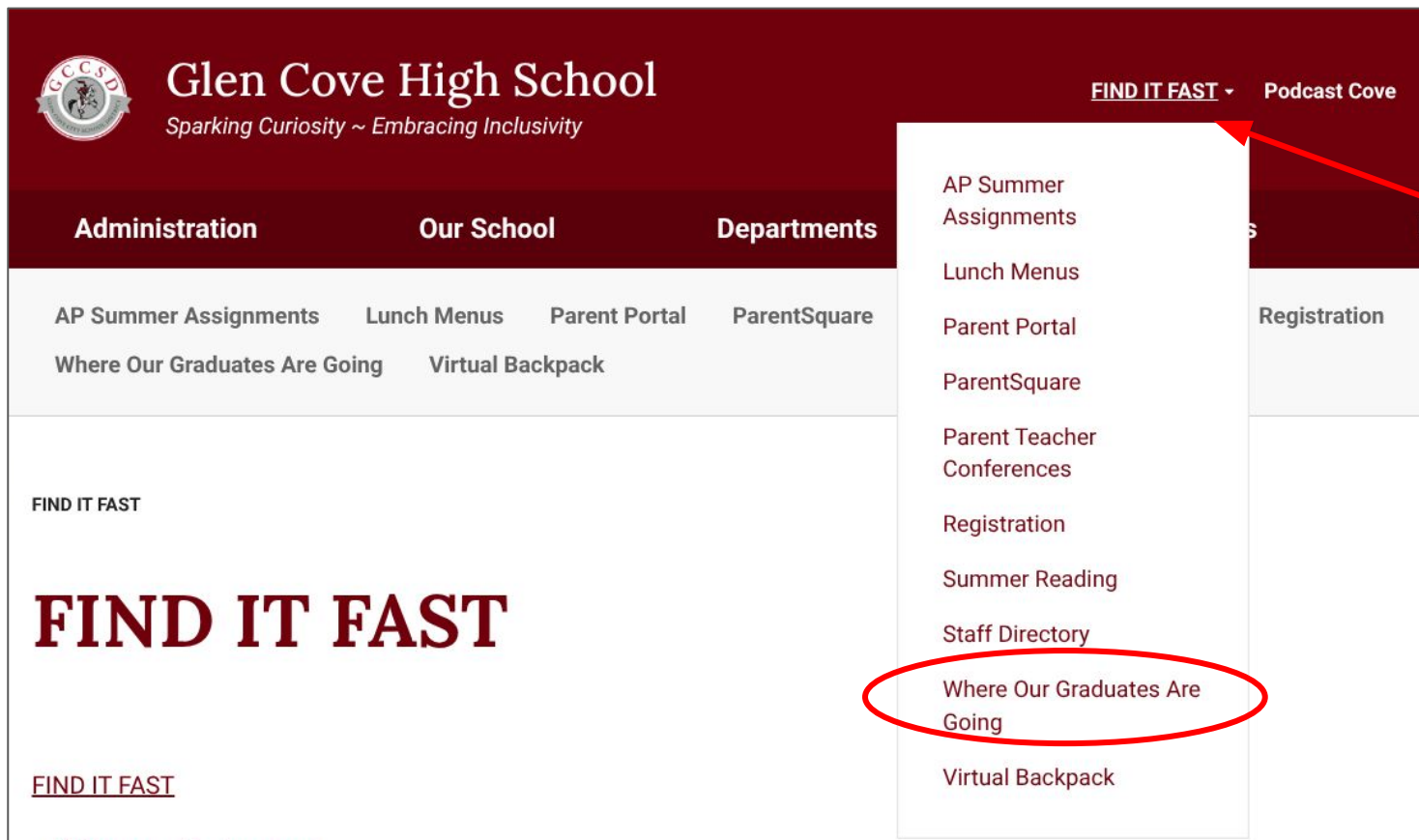
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The screenshot shows the Glen Cove High School website. The header is dark red with the school's logo on the left, the name "Glen Cove High School" in the center, and the tagline "Sparkling Curiosity ~ Embracing Inclusivity" below it. On the right of the header, there are links for "FIND IT FAST" and "Podcast Cove". Below the header is a navigation bar with three main sections: "Administration", "Our School", and "Departments". Under "Administration", there are links for "AP Summer Assignments", "Lunch Menus", "Parent Portal", "ParentSquare", "Where Our Graduates Are Going", and "Virtual Backpack". Under "Our School", there are links for "Registration" and "F". Under "Departments", there are links for "AP Summer Assignments", "Lunch Menus", "Parent Portal", "ParentSquare", "Parent Teacher Conferences", "Registration", "Summer Reading", "Staff Directory", "Where Our Graduates Are Going", and "Virtual Backpack". A dropdown menu is open from the "FIND IT FAST" link, showing a list of links. The link "Where Our Graduates Are Going" is circled in red. A red arrow points from the "FIND IT FAST" link to the dropdown menu.

Glen Cove High School
Sparkling Curiosity ~ Embracing Inclusivity

FIND IT FAST Podcast Cove

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Where are our students heading next? Everywhere.

Our latest acceptance list spans the entire spectrum of higher education and career training—from prestigious private universities and the full SUNY network to local community colleges and elite trade programs.

Congratulations to our students on finding the perfect pathways to match their unique passions and career goals!



+ Class of 2026

+ Class of 2025

+ Class of 2024

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Gribbin School Second Grade Moving Up



Gribbin School celebrated a wonderful milestone at our Second-Grade Moving-Up Ceremony on June 18! The morning was filled with pride, joy, and memorable student performances as our second graders prepared to transition into third grade.

A huge thank you to Principal Randy Arnold, our teachers, staff, families, the PTA, and GCTV for making this day so special. We are incredibly proud of our students and can't wait to see all they achieve next year!

La Escuela Gribbin celebró un hito maravilloso en nuestra Ceremonia de Promoción de Segundo Grado el 18 de junio! La mañana estuvo llena de orgullo, alegría y presentaciones estudiantiles memorables, mientras nuestros estudiantes de segundo grado se preparaban para la transición a tercer grado.

Un agradecimiento enorme al director Randy Arnold, a nuestros maestros, personal, familias, a la PTA y a GCTV por hacer que este día fuera tan especial. ¡Estamos increíblemente orgullosos de nuestros estudiantes y estamos ansiosos por ver todo lo que lograrán el próximo año!

Deasy School Second Grade Moving Up



On June 24, Deasy School celebrated its rising third graders during the Moving-Up Ceremony at the Middle School Auditorium. Led by Principal Erin Nastri, the memorable milestone featured beautiful musical performances directed by Casey Schildovsky and a heartwarming year-in-review slideshow.

A huge thank you to our dedicated second-grade teachers, the Deasy PTA, and GCTV for capturing the memories. Landing School is thrilled to welcome this wonderful group of students this September! Congratulations to all of our young graduates!

El 24 de junio, la Escuela Deasy celebró a sus futuros alumnos de tercer grado en su Ceremonia de Promoción en el Auditorio de la Escuela Media. Dirigido por la Directora Erin Nastri, el hito contó con bellos actos musicales de Casey Schildovsky y fotos del año.

¡Gracias a los maestros de segundo, a la PTA de Deasy y a GCTV por las fotos! ¡La Escuela Landing está feliz de recibir a este gran grupo de alumnos en septiembre! ¡Felicitaciones a todos nuestros jóvenes graduados!

Celebrating Our Pre-K Graduates

On June 22, Deasy School, Landing School, and the YMCA celebrated our incredible Pre-K students during their Moving-Up ceremonies! Congratulations to all of our young scholars—we can't wait to see you in kindergarten! A huge thank you to our dedicated Pre-K teams for their endless care and commitment to our students: Dayna Connolly, Michelle Godoy, and Stephanie Kennely (Deasy); Caitlyn Gordon (Landing); and the wonderful YMCA Pre-K staff.

El 22 de junio, la Escuela Deasy, Landing y la YMCA celebraron a nuestros increíbles alumnos de Pre-K durante sus ceremonias de promoción. ¡Felicitaciones a todos nuestros jóvenes estudiantes, estamos ansiosos por verlos en el jardín de infantes! Un enorme agradecimiento a nuestros dedicados equipos de Pre-K por su infinito cuidado y compromiso con nuestros alumnos: Dayna Connolly, Michelle Godoy y Stephanie Kennely (Deasy); Caitlyn Gordon (Landing) y el maravilloso personal de Pre-K de la YMCA.



SUMMER READING

Scan QR code to visit our Summer Reading website



Dates to Remember | School Closings

Aug. 31, Sept. 1 – Superintendent's Conference Days
 Sept. 2 – First Day of School | Half Day for Pre-K - Gr. 5
 Sept. 7 – Schools Closed | Labor Day
 Sept. 21 – Schools Closed | Yom Kippur
 Oct. 12 – Schools Closed | Columbus Day
 Indigenous Peoples' Day
 Nov. 3 – Superintendent's Conference Days
 Schools Closed for Students
 Nov. 11 – Schools Closed | Veterans Day
 Nov. 25-27 – Schools Closed | Thanksgiving Recess
 Dec. 24-31 – Schools Closed | Holiday Recess



Jan. 1 – Schools Closed | New Year's Day
 Jan. 18 – Schools Closed | Martin Luther King Jr. Day
 Feb. 15-19 – Schools Closed | Winter Recess
 Feb. 6 – Lunar New Year (Saturday)
 March 10 – Schools Closed | Eid al-Fitr
 March 26 – Schools Closed | Good Friday
 April 22-30 – Schools Closed – Spring Recess
 May 31 – Schools Closed | Memorial Day
 June 18 – Schools Closed | Juneteenth Observed
 June 24 – Early Dismissal
 June 25 – Last Day of School Early Dismissal

Glen Cove Summer Reading

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Lunch Menus | NutritionMathematicsScienceSocial StudiesSpecial EducationSTREAMTechnologyWorld Languages & ENL

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English

Summer Reading

With another fantastic school year in the books, we want to help our students keep their momentum going. Read a special message from Kristen Schaefer, Coordinator of English K-12, on how simple daily reading can prevent the "summer slide" and unlock exciting local rewards.

[Click here to read the full letter and discover summer reading resources](#)

SUMMER READING

Contacts


Ms. Kristen Schaefer

Glen Cove Summer Reading



The screenshot shows the Glen Cove Summer Reading website. At the top, there is a navigation bar with the following links: Home, Pre-K - 2, 3-5, Middle School, High School, and Resources. Four red arrows point down to the Pre-K - 2, 3-5, Middle School, and High School links. Below the navigation bar is a large banner with the text "SUMMER READING" in large, bold, black letters, followed by "Glen Cove City School District" in smaller black letters. Below the banner is a large red section with the text "READ Glen Cove!" in large, bold, white letters. Below this section is a white text box with the following text: "This summer, we encourage you to create joyous reading experiences for and with your child." and "We have provided you with access to suggested titles and activities on this website. We've also collaborated with the Glen Cove Public Library to help you access high-quality reading materials."

Summer Reading GCCSD

Home Pre-K - 2 3-5 Middle School High School Resources

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Community Questions

- Reminder: submit questions in advance of the Board Meeting using the linked Google Form shared on the public notice, the agenda and on ParentSquare
- Public responses will be shared at the meeting
- Community members may continue to address the Board directly during **public comment**
- Presentations from the BOE meetings, along with answers to community questions, are available at the Board of Education website under *Superintendent's Reports / 2025-2026*

Public Participation & Questions

Have a question for the Board? To ensure we provide the most accurate and complete information, you may now submit questions in advance.

Click Here to Submit a Question For the Next Board Meeting

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Deadline: Every Monday at 4:00 PM.

Questions submitted by the deadline will be answered during the public meeting.

Traditional Public Comment will still take place. Per NYSSBA guidance, questions raised during live comment will be answered at the following meeting.

Wednesday, May 20, 2026

Glen Cove High School Auditorium

5:00 PM - Executive Session (Closed to the public)

7:00 PM - Regular Meeting (Open to the public)



Can't attend in person Join us online:

- [GCTV Livestream link \(English\)](#)
- [GCTV Livestream link \(Spanish\)](#)

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Public Comment Protocol — Agenda & Non-Agenda Items



Thank you for attending and signing in to speak. We value community input on matters related to our school district.

Speaking Expectations

- Public comment — Glen Cove community members.
- Each speaker has 3 minutes.
- All comments delivered in a respectful manner as we model respect for our students.
- Naming individuals (staff, students, or community members) is strictly prohibited.
- Concerns regarding individual students or staff should be directed to building or central administration.
- The Board is here to listen to your input and concerns.
- The public comment period is not a discussion or Q&A session.
- Questions and concerns may require research and consideration.
- The Board or appropriate staff member will follow up at a future meeting or at the appropriate time.

Additional Communication: supplemental materials or further comments can be emailed to the Board at: GCBOE_SUPT@glencoveschools.org

Thank You for Your Public Comments!



- We appreciate your time, presence, and engagement in tonight's meeting.
- Your input helps inform our governance and strengthens our school community.
- Thank you for sharing your thoughts, concerns, and suggestions respectfully.
- We are committed to listening, reflecting, and following up as appropriate.
- Your voice plays an important role in supporting the success of our students and schools.
- Please continue to stay involved and connected with our district.

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