

Glenburn Public School Newsletter

March 2022

Superintendent Notes

Inattentiveness can affect your child's ability to learn (Elementary)

Everybody's mind wanders now and then. But if your child regularly "zones out" at school, it can impact his ability to learn and retain new information. Studies show that younger students who can't focus tend to become older students who can't focus. And that can mean big trouble for your child's education.

To help your child keep his eye on the ball at school, strengthen his attention skills at home. Here's how:

- Break down large assignments. If he has a book report to write, show him how to divide it into smaller steps. "First, think about what you want to say. Next, make an outline of your thoughts. Then, start writing."
- Encourage breathers. Don't force your child to work for long periods of time. Instead, set a timer for 20 minutes and have your child take a five-minute break when it goes off. Frequent short breaks help your child clear his head and refocus on his work.
- Remove distractions. Keep the TV and other screens off while your child works. Keep noise to a minimum. Homework shouldn't have to compete for his attention!

Remind your child to use these tools in class when possible. Even a 30-second break (maybe by closing his eyes and breathing deeply) could help him buckle back down and tackle the worksheet in front of him.

Research-proven strategies can boost your child's learning (Junior High)

Your middle schooler should have a designated place to study. But that's not the only place she should do her work. Research shows that students actually remember content better if they study the same material in different places.

To optimize learning and memory, students should:

1. Study the same information in different locations. This forces the brain to make multiple associations with the same material. When the brain relates the information to more than one background, the information has a better chance of sticking.
2. Vary the material they study in a single study session. For example, they might alternate studying vocabulary words and reading their history textbook. Research shows that concentrating on multiple skills, rather than on one at a time, leaves a deeper impression on the brain.
3. Space out study sessions over a period of days. This helps the brain retain the material for longer than a day or two. Cramming for a test the night before may get students a passing grade. But it won't do them much good beyond that. To the brain, a quick fill leads to a quick empty.
4. Write down a few notes after each class. This forces them to recall the information they learned. Studies show it is more effective than simply copying information from a blackboard.

Teens are more motivated to write if their writing is shared (High School)

It seems like today's teens barely communicate in whole words, let alone complete written sentences. But that doesn't mean writing is becoming any less important. In fact, the ability to write well is crucial for college application essays. It could also be the difference between your teen's getting a good job or getting passed over.

But how can you get your teen to write? Many experts believe that teens are more motivated to write when they know their writing will be seen by others.

Suggest your teen look into:

- The school newspaper. Participating in a school publication lets your teen improve his writing and add an impressive activity to his school résumé.

- Writing contests. Encourage your teen to search online or ask his English teacher or the librarian about writing contests he can enter. From poetry to fiction to essay writing, there's a contest out there that's sure to fit your teen's work. Have him check out the teen writing community at figment.com for essay contests and more! Just beware of scams: Young writers should avoid any contest that asks for an "entrance fee."

- Online literary magazines. Suggest your teen check out websites like www.teenink.com. This print and online magazine accepts submissions from students between the ages of 13 and 19.

We are excited to have received the Literacy Grant from NDDPI! This will total \$500,000. Watch for updates in regards to this wonderful opportunity to improve literacy in our school, especially the younger students!

HS Principal/JH AD Report

Come on spring!!!! With the continued low temperatures, we are all impatiently waiting for the change of season, but our students stay positive even with the -25 below and more. We continue to have the flu bug around the school so please keep your children home if they are sick but remember to contact the school to let us know if they will be absent.

STATE TESTING: Coming Soon

It is that time of year again for some of our students at Glenburn School to complete the North Dakota State Assessments. That testing will be done from Monday, March 14 - Friday, April 1st. Everyone will be testing one day a week. Language the first week, math the second week and writing the third week. 4th grade, 8th grade, and 10th grade, will test twice the third week because they will also complete the Writing test and Science test. I would like to work together to help your child be best prepared for their Standardized tests. Grades for testing this year are grades seven (7), eight (8), and ten (10). Tips to help your child on test day and in preparation for state standardized tests. My goal is to help your child have a positive and successful testing experience.

We have been and will continue to prepare for testing but there are simple things that will also help your child prepare that you can do on test day.

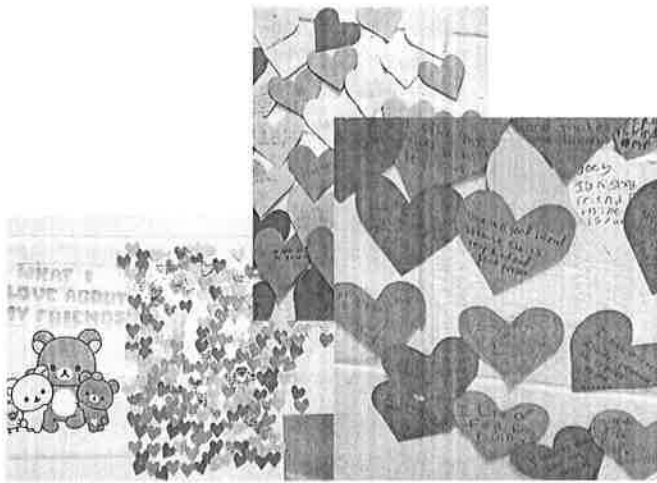
- Make sure your child arrives on time on the day of testing

- Have your child eat a healthy breakfast at home or at school. Please make sure that they eat there or here. Doesn't matter which but encourage to make sure they eat at school if they did not have time or didn't eat at school.

- Your child needs a good night's sleep. Please, have them put away their cell phones and technology before going to bed. They can live an evening without checking Tik-Tok or Snapchat. It will be there in the morning. If their excuse is that they use their phone for an alarm? Tell them that you will make sure they are up and awake.

-Be supportive and encouraging when communicating and asking them to try and do their absolute best. We want them to know that we just want them to give their best effort and try their hardest on the test.

****And here is the BEST way to encourage them on test day: Slip a note of encouragement in a book, notebook, backpack or somewhere you know they will find it when they get to school. This short message can work incredibly well.



Sources of Strength: It is important to recognize the qualities and what our friends do and are for all of us. We had students acknowledge the importance of a friend and write down characteristics of a good friend and put it on the wall. Everyone will need help and we are encouraging that when our kids do to reach out to somebody and especially a friend.

Congratulations:

There was a Math Track Meet held in Bottineau for grades 9 through twelve and our Panther representation, took silvers. Paul Eichstadt in 9th, Andrew Young in 10th, Leo Bravi in 11th, and Dylan McDonald in 12th.

In our High



addition, Junior Students

competed in the local Math Counts competition and 8th grade students Emma Rose placed 1st, Sophie Cunningham 2nd, Aubrie Quick 3rd and 7th grade student Callie Martin, placed 4th.

The Renville County Spelling Bee was held February 23rd in Glenburn and our Panthers took the top two places. Sophie Cunningham placed 1st and Jasmyn Solberg placed 2nd. With their finishes they qualified and can compete at the State Spelling Bee held in Bismarck in March.

WAY TO GO PANTHERS!!!!

Elementary Principal/HS AD Report

We have had a busy month in February in Panther Nation.

We had parent teacher conferences that were very well attended. We also participated in the Renville County Spelling Bee. Here are our winners:

- 3rd Grade: Noah Mendiola 1st, Abygail Rodgers 3rd,
- 4th Grade: Mila Jones 1st, Wyatt Shannon 2nd, Rene Hymel 4th
- 5th Grade: Isabella Rodgers 1st, Julia Young 2nd, Etionna Hymel 4th
- 6th Grade: Adrian Miliken 3rd

Our winter has been extremely cold, please remember we need all winter gear worn on the busses and brought to school. With the Spring comes warmer temperatures, but we will still continue to wear all our gear as it gets wet out at recess.

Our GBB season wrapped up as the girls lost out in the Region Qualifier. Congratulations to Lorelei McIver and Emma Jones on being named to the All District Team. Lorelei was also named the Senior Athlete of the Year for

the District. On the region side of things, Lorelei was also named to the All Region team and once again named the Senior Athlete. She is one of the 8 finalists in the state to be the Senior Athlete of the Year for North Dakota.

We are at tournament time for our BBB season. They will enter the district tournament the 8th seed. Good Luck to our boys as they compete for a trip to the region tournament.

JH BBB season about half way through there season. We have 21 boys out and they have been improving every game!

It's a great day to be a Panther!



This month Glenburn High School's Sources of Strength group is going to be hosting a family friendly movie night! This is a part of our family support unit that we are working on for the month of March. Our movie night will be in the multipurpose room on Friday, March 25th at 7pm. Families with students in pre-K to 7th grade are invited to attend. Popcorn and soda concessions will be open!



Blood Drive

Yep! The first one went so well they asked to do another. This one will be held again at the school on **April 14th**. The last one filled up quickly, so please make sure to sign up early.



MathCounts Results

1st Place:

Emma Rose

2nd Place:

Sophie Cunningham

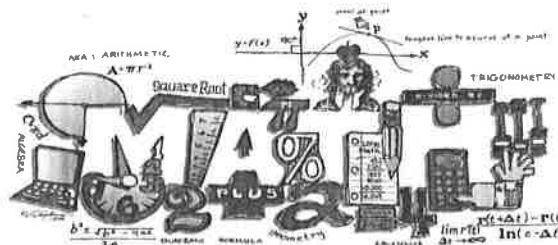
3rd Place:

Aubrie Quick

4th Place:

Callie Martin

Congratulation to All!



2022 Boys Golf Season

FORE!! The 2022 Boys Golf Season starts March 28th.! It is open to any boys in grades 7-12. There will be an informational meeting for any interested students on Tuesday, March 1 at 3:15pm in Coach Schaefer's classroom. We will also be meeting at the Minot Park District Simulator on Sunday, March 6 from 2-4 p.m., it is on the 3rd floor of the Minot Auditorium. If you have any questions, you can contact Coach Schaefer at the school!



Thanks!
Coach Schaefer



Please make note that we will be having school on **Monday, April 18th** as it is a designated make-up snow day.

Drivers Education

Drivers Ed will be offered at Glenburn this summer.

The classroom portion of the class will start on Monday, May 23rd (8:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.) We will meet for five days of classroom instruction; May 23rd – May 27th. The students will need to bring a sack lunch during the week of classroom lessons. Attendance is mandatory for all five days.

The Behind the Wheel portion of the class will be set up mornings or afternoons during the month of June. Sessions will last one week. We will set up the Behind the Wheel schedule during the first couple of days of class.

Students must be 14 by June 1st in order to take Drivers Ed at Glenburn.

Students may sign up outside of Mrs. Miller's office. The \$150 fee for the class is due into the school office by the last day of school (May 18th). The student must attend Glenburn School in order to be eligible for the class.

Your child will need to have taken and passed their permit test before they will be allowed to take the Behind the Wheel portion of the class. You will need to make arrangements to take your child to a testing site. (The child's birth certificate and approx. \$20 are needed.) Check their website for details. <https://www.dot.nd.gov/divisions/driverslicense/permit.htm>

FYI: Students 16 and older are not currently required to take Drivers Ed in order to get a ND license. Those who wish to get their ND license before they turn 16 must take Drivers Ed, and they must have had their permit for a year before they can take the driving test. The parents also have to sign stating that they have driven with their child for 50 or more hours in all types of weather.

GLENBURN PUBLIC SCHOOL
REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
JANUARY 10, 2022 6:00 PM

The meeting was called to order by Board President James Peters. Other members present were Dianne Hensen, Amy Cunningham, Scott Heit, and Jamee Hansen. Quorum was established. Also present was Superintendent Larry Derr and Business Manager Jennifer Hansen.

Others attending the meeting were Principal James Swegarden, Mellissa Young (GEA).

AGENDA:

Heit moved to approve the agenda Cunningham seconded; motion was carried.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:

Cunningham moved to approve the minutes from the December 14, 2020 regular meeting; Heit seconded; with no discussion; motion carried.

FINANCIAL REPORTS:

Hensen moved to approve, Hansen seconded, the December 2021 General Fund revenue report of \$242,924.97, December 2021 General Fund expenditure report of \$423,090.42 (ck #'s 72493-72571, direct deposit stub #'s 15869-15986), and the General Fund accounts payable bills to be paid for January 2021 of \$61,494.64; motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Negotiations – (Cunningham) - Negotiations Seminar will be February 3rd and 4th

School Improvement- (Heit) – Archery Started, we have 14 kids out

Policy Committee – (Hensen) – 2nd readings in new business, and have 3 new policies to review

Facility- (Peters) – Charter bus has been fixed. Add gravel to parking lot to help with the ice. March will do school walk through, to

get summer projects ready.

Elementary Principal's Report (Layne Fluhner)

-15 degrees is still our number for inside recess (both temp and wind chill)

First Western Bank reached out to our school and is looking to donate snacks, clothing, head phones, etc. to our elementary students who need supplies

Report cards have went out for the 2nd quarter

We had our Christmas party at the Maysa and all PK-6th grade students were able to go ice skating

Have one student teacher in the 3rd grade – Jordyn Clapper

Athletics

Basketball is in full swing

JH BBB has started and we have 22 students out – Sierra Hansen is coaching

NFHS Camera – our computer got fried, we moved the FB camera into the gym. Working to get the glitches out. We cannot fix the problems here they have to be done by NFHS, so it's very frustrating waiting on them to resolve the issues.

High School Principal's Report (James Swegarden)

Enrollment – 109 students – 63 boys/ 46 girls

Martin Luther King Jr. Day on January 17, 2022 – No School

1st semester is done and gone. Pretty successful –(6 HS students failed a class or more)(3 freshman, 2 sophomores, 1 senior). In addition we had 7 students complete an online course from the NDCDE (In the near future an online class will be required of all students aligning themselves to be college, career, and military ready).

January 19 we will have Mr. Patterson from ND Vision Zero here to do an impaired driver simulation with our

middle school and high school students

Our next early out is February 9th and we will continue to work and put together our materials for our accreditation review on April 19.

Update on preparing for the NDSA which is to be given March 14 to May 6.

NDASSP winter conference is January 26 thru 28 in Bismarck

Our band students just recorded their All State additions this last weekend at MSU. UND Honor Band will get together January 21-23 and the NDSU Jazz Festival is scheduled for February 2-4.

Friday we recognized students who made the Honor Roll for the 2nd quarter in an assembly.

Superintendent's Report (Larry Derr)

We are looking for a Ruthville bus driver. The plan is I will do mornings and we will piece together the afternoons as best we can until we find someone full time.

I did have all the bus drivers get me a list of maintenance things that need to be done on their buses. Four of them need oil changes, which tells me they didn't get done over Christmas break like they should have. A short bus needs a mirror replaced, which we have, just need to get it on. And a bus needs new wipers.

We will be revisiting our attendance policy. It just needs to be updated

Mr. Fluhrer has been working hard with NFHS to get our camera issues figured out. The problem is we can't fix it so we are at the mercy of their time, not ours.

I will be meeting with the maintenance staff this week to delegate their duties appropriately.

Jen and Linda did a fantastic job in our audit. The guys came and talked to me before they left and said things

are getting smoother and more organized in the office. They don't get enough credit for what they do.

Thanks to the kind gentlemen who came and moved snow yesterday. Much appreciated.

CREA

The state is expecting an uptick in Covid cases in the next 6 weeks. We will keep trucking as we have been until we can't.

They are hoping to get us the new DOT guidelines out soon

We are signed up for the career fair in Bismarck in February

We talked about the shortage of bus drivers. Washburn for one said if any of their drivers quit they will have to start cutting routes. If we don't find drivers we will be in the same boat. This is a state wide issue from the sounds of it.

Board President's Report:

Negotiations Seminar in February

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

A.) Board Policy Updates - Hensen made a motion to approve the second readings for GDAA, GDB, ABBB, FDG, FEE, FFG, FFK, FG,FGA, FGDE, Cunningham seconded; roll call vote taken with all voting yes; motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

A.) Open Enrollments & Tuition Free Agreements – Hensen made a motion to accept open enrollments/ Tuition free agreements, Cunningham seconded; roll call vote taken with all voting yes; motion carried.

B.) GEA- Notification of wanting to negotiate

C.) Board's Determination of Appropriate Negotiating Unit and Recognition of Representative Organization – Hensen made a motion to approve negotiating unit and recognition of representative organization, Heit seconded; roll call vote was taken with all voting yes; motion carried.

D.) Negotiation Seminar- Four will be attending the seminar in Bismarck in February.

Heit moved to adjourn the meeting, Cunningham seconded; meeting adjourned at 6:35 p.m.

s/James Peters, Board President
s/Jennifer Hansen, Business Manager



GLENBURN PUBLIC SCHOOL
SPECIAL SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
January 31, 2022 2:30 P.M.

The meeting was called to order by Acting Board President Scott Heit. Other members present were

Dianne Hensen, Jamee Hansen, Scott Heit and Amy Cunningham. Quorum was established. Also present was Superintendent Larry Derr, Business Manager Jennifer Hansen.

AGENDA:

A.) Board's acceptance of negotiating unit – Heit read the acceptance of the negotiating unit. Cunningham made a motion to accept the negotiating unit, Hensen seconded; roll call vote was taken with all voting yes; motion carried.

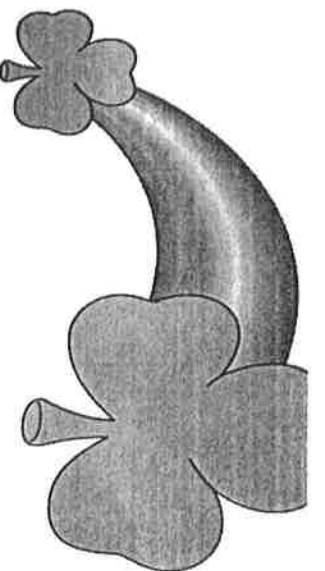
B.) Board's Notice of Recognition - Heit read the Board's Notice of Recognition of the Glenburn Education Association as the representative organization for a minimum of one year beginning January 31, 2022. Hensen moved to accept the Board's notice of recognition, Hensen seconded; roll call vote was taken with all voting yes; motion carried.


Hansen moved to adjourn the meeting, Hensen seconded; meeting was adjourned at 2:32 pm.

James Peters, Board President
Jennifer Hansen, Business Manager



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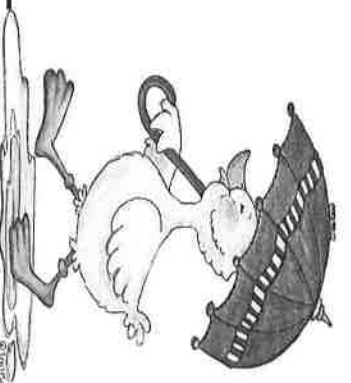
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 JH BBB vs Kenmare 4:00/5:00	2	3 STATE JH BBB @ Kenmare 4:00/5:00	4 GBB IN GRAND FORKS JH BBB @ Bottineau 4:00/5:00	5 JH BBB 7th Grade Tourney @ Glenburn
6	7 Regional BBB	8 JH BBB vs Berthold 4:00/5:00	9 Academic Olympics @ South Prairie	10 End Regional BBB JH BBB vs MLS 4:00/5:00	11 JH BBB vs Bottineau 4:00/5:00	12 Speech Meet @ Westhope
13	14 School Board Mtg 6:00pm	15 Marketplace for kids in Bottineau Grade 3-6	16 End of 3rd Quarter	17 SPRING 	18 BREAK State BBB in Minot	19
20	21 4th Quarter Begins Baseball/Softball Practice Starts	22	23	24 5/6 GBB @ ORCS 4:00/5:00	25 Family Movie Night grades pre-K-7th @7:00 pm	26 Speech Meet @ Burke Central
27 Trap Practice Starts @ Minot Gun Club	28 Golf Practice Starts	29 5/6 GBB vs South Prairie 3:30/4:30	30	31 5/6 GBB vs Westhope 4:00/5:00		

March Menu 2022

	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	Breakfast comes with fruit and milk Lunch comes with milk, fruit, and salad bar		1 Cereal, PopTarts Philly Cheese, wedges	2 Bagel Tuna casserole	3 Breakfast sandwich Pizza	4 Banana Bread Mac & Cheese, un-crustable	5
6		7 Cereal, toast Cheeseburger, fries	8 Muffin squares Chicken gravy over mashed potatoes	9 Caramel roll Lasagna roll up, garlic toast	10 Biscuits and gravy Taco, refried beans	11 French toast sticks Vegetable soup, tuna sandwich	12
13		14 Cereal, popTarts Chicken sandwich, fries	15 Scrambled eggs, sausage patty Corn dog, baked beans	16 Pancakes, ham Spaghetti, garlic toast	17 NO SCHOOL	18 NO SCHOOL	19
20		21 Cereal, toast Beef stew, biscuit	22 Muffin squares Salisbury steak, mashed potatoes	23 Cinnamon rolls Fish sticks, wedges	24 Breakfast pizza Chicken nuggets, mac & cheese	25 Bagel Egg salad sandwich, chips	26
27		28 Cereal, popTarts Chicken fried steak, mashed potatoes	29 Breakfast sandwich Chicken alfredo, garlic toast	30 Muffins Fish & Chips	31 Cook's Choice Cook's Choice		



April 2022



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					1 APRIL FOOL'S DAY 	2
3	4	5 5/6 GBB @ Granville 4:00/5:00	6	7 Regional Speech @ Glenburn 5/6 GBB @ Nedrose 4:00/5:00	8	9
10	11 School Board Mtg 6:00pm 5/6 GBB @ Kenmare 4:00/5:00	12	13 Early Out 1:00	14 Blood Drive 5/6 GBB @ South Prairie 4:00/5:00	15 No School Good Friday	16
17 Easter 	18	19 5/6 GBB vs ORCS 3:30/4:30	20	21 5/6 GBB @ Westhope 4:00/5:00	22	23 State Speech 5/6 GBB Tournney @ Glenburn TBD
24	25 5/6 GBB vs Kenmare 4:00/5:00	26 5/6 Granville vs Granville 4:00/5:00	27	28	29 5/6 GBB South Prairie Tournney TBD	30 5/6 South Prairie Tournney TBD