



October Glennon Grizzly Newsletter



UPCOMING EVENTS

SEPTEMBER

23rd- NO SCHOOL Teacher inservice
24th- Area Track Meet Lakewood H.S. 8:00
26th-Kindergarten to Pumpkin Patch
26th - October 10th October Count Window
28th-Band & Orchestra 10-10:40
30th- Band & Orchestra 10-10:40
Glennon Gallop * see times below



OCTOBER

3rd-Pajama Day
Official Count Day
4th- Disney Day (Dress as your favorite Character or wear your Disney gear!)
5th- Mustache Day (Wear a fake mustache or make your own)
Band & Orchestra 10-10:40
6th- Class Color Day
Smith **Blue**, Navant **Orange**, Morgan **Red**, Linze **Yellow** Ulibarri Purple,
Baillargeon Silver/Gray, Adam **Green**
PTA 6:00-7:00
7th- Glennon Gallop Money Due
Glennon Spirit Gear (if you don't have Glennon Gear, wear green and white)
Band & Orchestra 10-10:40
11th- Band & Orchestra 10-10:40
14th- Band & Orchestra 10-10:40
Community Conversation 4:00 - 5:30 please note time change
18th- Parent Teacher Conferences 2:45-7:00
19th- Band & Orchestra 10-10:40
Parent Teacher conferences 2:45-7:00
20th- NO SCHOOL Teacher In-Service
21st- NO SCHOOL FALL BREAK
24th- Butter Braid Sales Begin
26th- Band & Orchestra 10-10:40
27th- 2 hour Delay Start School starts at 9:45- 2:30
28th- Band & Orchestra 10-10:40
31st-Halloween Parade & Parties



PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Glennon Heights Families,

The month of September has been one of discovery, insight, and new learning for our students and staff at Glennon Heights Elementary. The new learning is not only the concepts that are taught in the classroom, but the students are learning the new routines and structures that come with a new school year.

I am elated to announce that Glennon Heights is no longer considered a "Improvement" plan school according to our CMAS scores. We are now a "Performance" plan for our overall rating, which is the highest rating a school can achieve. Additionally, another huge celebration is that we earned an "Exceeds" rating, in ELA growth and overall growth for both ELA and math! I am very proud of what our staff and students have accomplished in order to get these ratings. Keep in mind that these ratings are compared to our pre-COVID scores, which means in spite of COVID and remote learning our students in the last 3 years continued growing at a significant rate.

As a fourth-year Principal here at Glennon Heights, I am proud of the work that this staff has been able to accomplish and under the difficult conditions that were presented to us. This year will also bring some unique challenges, but I have faith in our school to be able to provide these students another wonderful and memorable year at Glennon Heights!

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to reach-out to me!

Sincerely,
Kevin Kolasa
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Principal

COMMUNITY CONVERSATION MEETING

The purpose of this October meeting is for families and community members from the two consolidating schools to get to know each other and raise the challenges and opportunities associated with the proposed consolidation of their school community. This meeting will be on Friday, October 14th from 4:00-5:30 in the Glennon Heights Gym. Glennon Heights will be consolidating with Belmar School of Integrated Arts. (which is located just south of Alameda and Garrison)

OCTOBER COUNT

It's official – October Count Day this year is **Monday, October 3**. The most important action you can take to support school funding is to make sure your student attends school on that day. Much of public education funding from the [State of Colorado](#) is based on student count, so we encourage you to be sure your student engages in school that day.

The “count window” the state observes is from Monday, September 26 through Monday, October 10, but the most important student count day is **Monday, October 3**. Please help us ensure an accurate count by having your student participate in learning that day.

If your student will be absent on Monday, October 3 due to illness, call our attendance line, 303-982-8268 to report the absence. Attendance during the “count window” will help counteract an absence on Monday, October 3.

Thank you for your support of our school. Every student counts!

FREE/REDUCED LUNCH

The grace period for student lunches ends on September 28th. If you have not applied and been accepted for the free/reduced lunch program your student will be charged accordingly. It is never too late to apply for the program. You must click on the box to share the information with the school in order for your school fees to also be waived (fines are not waived through this process). You can apply for the program through your [parent portal](#) account or through the [school cafe](#) account.

GT Center Program for 5th Grade Families

It is hard to believe, but it is time to start thinking about 6th grade! If you are *even possibly* interested in a GT Center program within the district, it is time to complete the 2022 [Fall GT Center Application](#).

Due to the 1st round Jeffco enrollment deadline, the GT Department requires that families who would like to be considered for GT Center Schools in the 1st round **must apply by 4PM on October 14th**. Acceptance into a GT Center will provide the **option** to request enrollment in the center school of your choosing during round 1.

Top Grizzlies for September (Habit 1 Be Proactive)



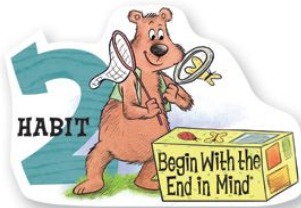
Mr. Smith Kg	Harper Stuerke Kg
Mrs. Navant 1st/2nd	Analiyah Chapa 1st Grade
Mrs. Morgan 1st/2nd	Violet Hubner 2nd Grade
Ms. Hergenroeder Kg/1st/2nd	Gavin Fernandez 2nd Grade

Ms. Linze 3rd/4th	Lucy Waskey 3rd Grade
Ms. Ulibarri 3rd/4th	Nina Organ 3rd Grade
Ms. Baillargeon 5th	Ozias Barber 5th Grade
Ms. Adam 5th	Marcella Chavez 5th Grade
Mrs. Blackman 3rd/4th/5th	Jasiah Marks 3rd Grade
Mr. Grudowski	Everett Fife 5th Grade
Ms. McDowell	Victor Rodriguez 1st Grade

How can You Help Your Leader Be Proactive At Home?

- Does chores without being asked
- Doesn't blame others when they make a mistake
- Completes homework before playing
- Packs their backpack the night before school
- Chooses to have a good day even when they are not happy

October Habit 2 Begin With The End In Mind



Have A Plan

- I plan ahead and set goals for myself.
- I am prepared at all times.
- I think about how the choices I make now will affect my future.
- I think about the positive or negative consequences of my actions before I act.

GLENNON GALLOP

Hello families,

Glennon Heights PTA is going to be sponsoring our annual Glennon Gallop, on Friday September 30th! This is a fun run where students are challenged to raise money for our school and also challenge their fitness! Pledge sheets were sent home in students' backpacks on Monday, September 19th. Please go with children to neighbors, family and friends, and ask them to sponsor the student for the Glennon Gallop. The idea is to either receive a flat rate, or pledge per lap.

(For example if a student would complete 10 laps the sponsor may pledge \$1 per lap. The sponsor would then pay \$10 to the student.) It will be the family's responsibility after the event to collect the money, and return it to school, one week after the Glennon Gallop, on October 7th.

What is the Glennon Gallop ?

Glennon Heights Elementary School's Glennon Gallop, is a run for 20 minutes to complete as many laps as possible around the Fun Run course set up at our school. The funds collected will go to Glennon Heights Elementary PTA to help pay for field trips, Teacher Appreciation gifts, educational tools, and more. Students participate in the run during the school day on Sept. 30th. You're invited to come support and cheer on the students! (Run times for each class will be available soon.)

12:30-12:50 Kindergarten will run

12:50-1:10 3rd & 4th Grades will run

1:10-1:30 5th Grade will run

1:30-1:50 1st & 2nd Grades will run

If you can not make the race, please join us at 2:30pm for a community celebration and treat yourself at The Snowy Churro dessert truck

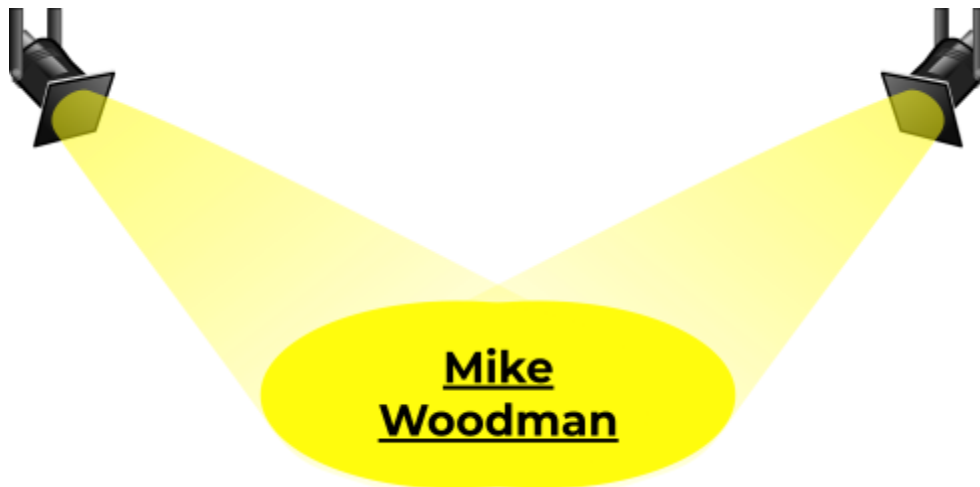
GRIZZLY STAFF SPOTLIGHT

Each month, we will be highlighting some of our Glennon Staff members so that you can get to know the Grizzly family a little bit better! This month, our spotlight is on Hannah Robertson and Mike Woodman.





Hannah Robertson is our ESL Tutor at Glennon Heights. Ms. Robertson is a Colorado native who was born in Wheat Ridge and has lived all over our beautiful state. She has been working in education since she graduated high school and will soon become an elementary teacher! Ms. Robertson and her boyfriend have been together for three years, but they have known each other since the second grade. They intend to get married once they have their own home and she has finished her bachelor's degree. During her free time, Ms. Robertson loves snowboarding in the winter and paddleboarding in the summer. She and her partner love coffee and are huge foodies, eating out and cooking new things together. Ms. Robertson is not afraid to try new things, creating art and testing new art mediums. The most recent art forms she is working with are spray-paint and murals. She also enjoys going to music festivals and camping. A fun fact about Ms. Robertson is that she was voted female athlete of the year her senior year of high school! When asked what her favorite thing about Glennon Heights is, Ms. Robertson said, "The students and my colleagues."





Mike Woodman is the music teacher at Glennon Heights. Mr. Woodman is from Saginaw, Michigan. He has been teaching for four years and this is his first year at Glennon. Mr. Woodman lives with his wife, Kasey, and their two cats, Malcolm and Boone. His parents and older sister still live in Michigan, and he has a twin sister who currently lives in Washington D.C. During his free time, Mr. Woodman loves listening to all types of music, playing with his cats, skiing, hiking, and playing his tuba! A fun fact about Mr. Woodman is that Meatloaf (the singer) lived with his family for a few years before Mr. Woodman was born! His aunt and uncle were a part of Meatloaf's first band. When asked what his favorite thing about Glennon is, Mr. Woodman said, "Definitely all the awesome students!"

PTA NEWS

The next PTA meeting will be on Thursday, October 6th from 6:00-7:00 PM in the Library. We hope to see a lot of new and returning faces as we go through this year.

Link your King Soopers card [here](#) to raise money for Glennon Heights while you do your weekly, daily grocery shopping.

