



## Weekly GLA Family Newsletter

December 20th, 2022

### PRINCIPAL'S CORNER

We have two days of school left in 2022 before our staff and students head into winter break, a season of celebration, commemoration, and community. We have a diverse cultural tapestry of people at GLA, and we value that diversity. We wish to respect and honor the traditions of everyone in our community. Whether you observe Christmas, Hanukkah, Kwanzaa, or do not observe a holiday, we wish you season's greetings and a happy new year! We hope that you will find time to rest your body, renew your spirit, and refresh your mind while spending quality time with loved ones.

Principal Miller

### NEW ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### **COVID Testing**

If you would like to opt your child out of COVID testing, you can complete this form: <https://forms.gle/NbMrxDeJhtNDFfZm6>

#### **Winter Ball**

On Thursday, December 22nd from 5:30-7:30 pm we will be holding the Winter Ball for 6th-8th graders. Scholars should come "dressed to impress!" Students may not attend if they are absent from school on Thursday. Parents will be notified if their child is ineligible to attend due to behavior.

**Behavior Expectations:** No more than two (2) referrals, no more than three (3) resets, no fights, 92% attendance for the month of December

Please reach out to Stephanie Beck, [sbeck@glachicago.org](mailto:sbeck@glachicago.org), or Melone Shurney, [mshurney@glachicago.org](mailto:mshurney@glachicago.org), with any questions.

#### **C&F: Sex-Ed:**

5th-8th grade sex ed classes will start January 10th. A letter will be going home with each scholar detailing the material covered. For more information on material

covered or if you would like to opt-out your scholar, contact Titus Perez (tperez@glachicago.org).

### **Family Content Night**

Save the date! We will be having an in-person Family Content Night on February 15, 2022 at 5:00 pm. More information is coming soon!

## **GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **After School (Anchor) Programming**

Trimester two programs began on Monday, November 28th, via acceptance letters and emails.

Note: Please only attend the days your scholar was accepted into for T2.

**Reminder: Pick-up is at 5 pm daily for after school programming. There are no late pick-ups.**

Please see your email for acceptance and policies and procedures.

### **Before School “On Deck” Programming**

On Deck (before school) enrollment will always be open and available as an as needed basis as well for \$10 cash/card paid on the spot. Reach out to, [sbeck@glachicago.org](mailto:sbeck@glachicago.org)- Stephanie Beck, to enroll today!

### **Winter Athletics**

Winter sports started Monday, Nov. 7th and run through Tuesday, January 17th.

Reminder: Pick-up is at 5 pm daily for athletics.

**There will be no practices on Thursday, December 22nd.**

If you have any questions, please reach out to Athletic Director, Titus Perez, [tperez@glachicago.org](mailto:tperez@glachicago.org)

### **GLA Parent Swag is ON SALE!**

Great Lakes Academy new parent swag is still available for purchase. Sizes range from men's small to 3XL. Head over to the [GLA Store](#) to grab yours today!

We can't wait to see you in your GLA parent swag!

Options for delivery include: scholar hand-off, pick up\*, or shipping (an additional \$5 fee).

*\*To avoid disruption to the scholar drop-off and dismissal process, pick up hours will be from 8:30 am-2:30 pm Monday - Thursday and 8:30 am-1:00 pm on Friday. Thank you for your understanding.*

### **Breakfast and Lunch Menu:**

To view the breakfast and lunch menu for the upcoming month, please [click here](#).

## **IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES**

December 22nd: Winter Fest

December 22nd: Winter Ball - 6-8th Grades (5:30-7:30 pm)

December 23rd: Staff PD, **No Classes**

**December 26th-January 6th: Winter Break, School Closed**

January 9th: Staff PD, **No Classes**

January 9th: 2023-24 New Student Application Launches

January 10th: 2023-24 Recommitment Form Launches

January 10th: Students Return from Winter Break

*No Principal Townhall for January*

Save the Date - February 15th: Family Content Night (5:00-6:00 pm)

### December 19th, 2022 - January 13th, 2023

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
19 STEP and ANET Q2 Assessments  Crazy Holiday Sock Day! 	20 STEP and ANET Q2 Assessments  Favorite Holiday Character Day! 	21 STEP and ANET Q2 Assessments  Winter Art Showcase  Holiday Pajama Day! 	22 STEP and ANET Q2 Assessments  Winter Fest  Winter Ball 6th-8th Grades 5:30-7:30 pm  Holiday Sweater Day! 	23     Staff PD <b>No Classes</b>
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