



Weekly GLA Family Newsletter

January 30, 2024

NEW ANNOUNCEMENTS

Family Curriculum Night

**Family
CURRICULUM
Night**

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2024
5:00 PM TO 6:00 PM

COME LEARN MORE ABOUT LITERACY,
MATH AND ELL!

WE WILL HAVE:

- GIFT CARD RAFFLE FOR PARENTS
- DRESS DOWN PASSES FOR STUDENTS
- UNIFORM ORDERING SUPPORT

JOIN US

Intent to Return Form - Due 3/1

- Confirm if your scholar will be returning to Great Lakes Academy next year by filling out and returning the Intent to Return Form (sent home with your scholar this week and also linked [here](#)).
- Fill out one form per scholar (return even if you are not planning to return to GLA by selecting "No" on the form).
- Families can send completed forms to school with their scholar or can email them to

Asbestos Operations and Management Plan

GLA keeps a copy of the school's Asbestos Operations and Management plan on file. For more information, see [this letter](#). If you would like to review this plan or have any questions, please contact the front office.

February Attendance Incentive

The top 3 homerooms with the highest attendance percentage will get a popcorn party!!
Be in school Every day On time.



The top 3 Homerooms with the best Attendance for February will receive a popcorn party.



GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

2024-25 New Student Application Open and New Beacon Open House 2/13

New student applications for next school year are open! If you know an incoming kindergarten-8th grader *who does not currently attend GLA*, please encourage them to [visit our website](#) for more information and a link to the application.

We will also be hosting a *New Beacon Open House* on Tuesday, February 13th from 5:15-6:15 pm for any *new* families interested in applying for the 2024-25 school year. Please share this with anyone you may know who is interested in applying!

Note: All students who are currently enrolled at GLA **do not** need to submit a new application. Instead, you will be asked to fill out our annual "Intent to Return Form" (see above).

8th Grade High School Success Upcoming Dates

Results for GoCPS decisions will be released on Friday, February 23rd at 5:00 pm via the portal. The accept/decline deadline is Friday, March 15th, 2024 at 5:00 pm. Please log

into your portal and accept and decline your schools in the two-step process by the deadline!

Please reach out to Ms. O'Leary, coleary@glachicago.org, or Ms. Beck, sbeck@glachicago.org with any questions.



Reflection Forms



The Culture and Climate Team has prepared each classroom with reflection forms. Scholars are asked to complete the reflection form in the calm corner/ reflection desk after receiving two deductions. The reflection form is used to reset the scholar's behavior inside the classroom to prevent a behavior reset/referral in the dean's office. Parents are expected to review, sign, and return the form the next day to acknowledge awareness and encourage parental support about the incident.

Parent and Family Volunteers



Current Opportunities:

  Arrival and Dismissal Support

Lunch and Recess Support  

  Classroom Support

Upcoming Events:

 Library Support 

If you are interested in helping grow the GLA community and volunteering please complete [this form](#). You can reach out to Madaline Harlan, mharlan@glachicago.org, with any questions.

GLA Breakfast, Lunch and Supper Menus

Click [here](#) to access (these are also linked on our website's [Parent and Student Resource Page](#))

IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES

January 29th - February 23rd, 2024

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
29 Power Parents Meeting 5pm @ GLA	30	31	1 First Day of Black History Month	2
5	6 Family Curriculum Night 5:00-6:00 pm @ GLA	7 100th Day of School Reclaiming Minds GLA Parent Workshop 6:00-7:30 pm	8	9
12 National African American Parent Involvement Day	13 New Beacon Open House <i>for students interested in attending GLA next school year</i> 5:15-6:15 pm	14 Friendship Day	15	16 Career Day
19 Presidents Day School Closed	20 Staff PD No Classes Office Closed	21 GLA Monthly Community Conversation 8:00-9:00 @ GLA and online	22	23 High School Results Released 8th Grade

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