



# November 2021 Puppy Press

Dear Parents/Guardians,

The school year is well underway. With the change in the weather, please make sure students are dressed appropriately. Please be advised that all students are required to wear a mask at this time. Phone calls will be made for you to provide a mask for your child.

Also, the district has decided to give students and staff a wellness break the week of Thanksgiving. While there will not be any in-person learning, students will have assignments they will need to complete. Your child's teacher will provide more information to the students.

Per our building procedures no outside food, beverage, chips, candy, snacks, gum, pop, juice, etc. are allowed. These items should be eaten at home. All students receive breakfast and lunch. Any violation in the procedure will result in these items being discarded.

In closing, this is the month of thanksgiving and each of us has at least one thing to be thankful for! What are you thankful for? I'm thankful for our academic and discipline growth and each of you! I'm excited about the future!

Sincerely,

Dr. Michael Carr, Principal

## Calendar of events for November....

- ♦ **November 2—Election Day—No School**
- ♦ **November 3-10—i-Ready Standards Mastery**
- ♦ **November 9—Truancy Mediation**
- ♦ **November 11—Veteran's Day**
- ♦ **November 21-26— No School— Thanksgiving Break**
- ♦ **School resumes November 29**



## **Attendance Matters**

Encouraging regular school attendance is one of the most powerful ways you can prepare your child for success. When you make school attendance a priority, you help your child get better grades, develop healthy life habits and have a better chance of graduating from high school.

But when kids are absent for an average of just two days of school per month—even when the absences are excused— it can have a negative impact

### **What can you do?**

- Make sure your child attends school on time and remains all day
- Try to schedule appointments after school
- Please make sure to report your child(ren)'s absences to the school by contacting them directly and by sending in a written note the following day
- Parents can write up to 10 notes for an unexcused absence
- Communicate with the school



## **Electronic Devices–Elementary Students**

### **Cell Phones, MP3 Players, and Electronics**

Toledo Public Schools does not allow students to have electronic devices in school.

Because so many students are ignoring this rule, the district has standardized how schools address those students who have electronic devices during the school day.

The district will follow the steps listed below if students violate this regulation.

Cell phones, pagers, and other telecommunication devices are strictly prohibited in the Toledo Public Schools.

**They are not to be visible or in use during the school day for any reason. Students in grades 6-8 will be required to turn their cell phones into the office at the start of the day and will receive them at the end of the day before dismissal. If students in other grades desire to turn their cell phones into their teachers, it is up to the teacher to collect them or not. Students are strongly encouraged to leave any electronic device at home. Should these devices be brought to school, students will be expected to turn them in at the start of the school day.**

Violation of this rule may result in, but not limited to, the confiscation of the device at the school.

Following confiscation, a parent or guardian may pick up the items 24 hours later (at the student's school during school hours) unless other arrangements are made with the administration.

A second violation of this rule will result in the device being sent to the Board of Education Security Division.

In the event of an emergency, parents may contact the main office as a means to reach their student.

Toledo Public Schools and Glenwood Elementary are not responsible for lost, damaged, or stolen electronic devices.

After the last day of school, all electronic devices remaining at the TPS Security Office will be destroyed.



## **Food Policy for Glenwood Elementary Students**

**Outside food including fast food, chips, candy, beverages (pop, juice, tea, etc.), cookies, cakes, candy, gum, fast food, and snacks are NOT permitted in the school. Students may have a plastic water bottle, but no packets of flavoring.**

All students will receive a free breakfast and free lunch. We want to provide a healthy learning environment for all students to be focused on learning throughout the day. Students are welcome to pack a lunch from home and items within their lunch should be un-opened and only eaten during the student's lunch period in the Cafeteria. Should these items be brought to school and are not a student's lunch, they will be discarded.

**PHONE CALLS WILL NOT BE ALLOWED FOR LUNCH DELIVERIES, NOR WILL LUNCHES BE DELIVERED TO STUDENTS.**

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## **Elementary Dress Code**

**Parent/guardians are asked to review the Revised Elementary Dress Code and ensure students are dressed appropriately.**

**Per our building policy, du-rags, scarfs, bandannas, wave caps, purses, fanny pack, and other similar items purses are NOT allowed to be worn nor carried throughout the building for any reason. These items should be left at home or left at home or in the classroom in the student's cubby space during the school day.**

If a student needs something from their cubby they should ask their teacher and arrangements can be made. We have had instances of students using their purses to bring food and beverages into the classroom. This is against the school's policies and serves as a distraction to learning.

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## **Arrival & Dismissal**

K-8 students will enter Door #2 by the playground between 8:45am—9:00am each morning. Breakfast is NOT served at this time. Instead, students will bring home a week's supply of breakfast if you have completed the form to "opt-in." Students must be in their homeroom before 9:00 am in order to be marked "present." Dismissal will take out of Doors #4 and #8 on Collins Street and Door #3 on Robinwood for PreK students. Dismissal is staggered this year as noted on the first page of this newsletter. **There is NO supervision for students after 3:30 pm, therefore, ALL students must be picked up no later than 3:30 pm. There will be NO EARLY DISMISSAL after 2:45 pm and/or change in these dismissal procedures without a written note from home. Phone calls will not be accepted.**

## **Secretary's Corner**

Parents, if your child is absent, please send in a note with a **date** and the student's **first AND last** name on each piece of paper. This will help me greatly and prevent having unexcused absences. If your child is **NOT** going to be in school, please call the school office and leave a message on the machine to make us aware.

Per Toledo Board of Education you **MUST** have your ID out and ready when picking your student up. This is a **MUST** for all parents/Guardians NO exceptions.

All dismissal changes **must be made in writing**. No phone messages will be accepted **UNLESS** it is an absolute emergency. **No early dismissal after 2:45**. You must come before or wait for dismissal.

### **Additional numbers that may be helpful for you:**

**Transportation:** 419-671-8541 If you are having bus issues you need to call this number and speak with them.

**Board of Education:** 419-671-0001

**Glenwood Nurse Line:** 419-671-4607



## Notes from the Nurse

**\*\*NEW NURSE LINE: 419-671-4607\*\***

### Kindergarten and 7<sup>th</sup> Graders: IMMUNIZATIONS:

If your child is lacking Immunizations you most likely have received a letter and/or phone call. If this is the case, check with your child's Healthcare Provider to make sure both you and the school have the most up-to-date record. If the Dr.'s office says they still need shots, you may get them at their office, or to be seen quicker go to a Shots for Tots and Teens Clinic located around Toledo almost every day. For a schedule-ask the Nurse or call: 419-213-4121. Shots will *not be given without a current shot record*. **No child will be turned away for inability to pay.** If your Kindergartner needs a Physical Exam, or Dental Exam; you can schedule an appointment at the TLCHD at 419-213-4209. You can also call the Dental Center of NOW at 419-241-1641.

### Records may be FAXED to Glenwood at 419-671-4645

For the safety of all our students, TPS must uphold the Laws of the State of Ohio making sure that all students are fully immunized.

### Medications at School

Just a reminder TPS **does not allow students to carry any type of medication**, even Inhalers, Over-The Counters, or Prescribed Meds, without a Medication Authorization Form completed. We want students healthy and comfortable at school, and will work with you and your Dr. to get orders for meds needing to be given at school. See the Nurse or School Secretary for one of these forms.

## *Social Emotional Wellness*

Some simple tips to keep your children to be healthy emotionally and physically.

\*Encourage your children to go to bed at the same time each night. When electronics are turned off an hour before bedtime, it is easier to fall asleep.

\*If your children are easily distracted by their phone, tv, computer, or video game, take it away when it's time for them to sleep. Middle school students can't resist the sound of a new notification. This results in students staying up all night long and then being sleepy all day.

\*Go outside and play for at least 20 minutes a day. Sunshine is good for the body and the soul.

\*Ask your child to think of 3 things that they're thankful for each day. After 30 days of thankfulness, their whole mindset can change.

—Missy Stott, Social Worker at Glenwood

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### **Mission**

Toledo Public Schools' mission is to produce competitive college and career ready graduates through a rigorous curriculum across all grade levels by implementing Ohio's New Learning Standards with fidelity.



Toledo Public Schools

### **Glenwood Elementary**

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