



Glenwood
WEEKLY NEWS



FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Welcome to the 2021-2022 school year! I have some exciting announcements and updates. Ann Squires will be our new MTSS Teacher (Lindsy Morris transferred to Rose Tree). Jeff Leahan will be our permanent Physical Education Teacher, and Melissa Lieberman will travel between the three elementary schools in the PE Department. Mackenzie Parker will be our Reading Specialist (previously Ann Squires), shared between Glenwood and Indian Lane. Mary Downing will be joining our 1st grade team as our fifth section. We welcome back Charlie Keeler and are pleased that Stacy Beller is also returning to teach 5th grade. Ed Canavan has come on board as our Technology Assistant and will travel between Glenwood and Media. (Kay Buchanan will be working only at Penncrest.) Some "official"/personal updates: Congratulations to Heather Gallagher (2nd grade) returning as Heather Hensel and Kathryn Hong (General Music Teacher) is now Kathryn Coatsworth!

Our theme for this school year was inspired by an online post written by [Christine Derengowski](#). She shared a conversation she had with her son, who was struggling in first grade. She explained to him, **"You're kind of a superhero yourself."** *No other kids in the history of kids have had to do what was required of our students the past two years: complete school work at home on a computer, attend school two days a week and 'work from home' other days, wear a mask all day.* "We've said kids are resilient, and they are. They are the real superheroes in this whole scenario for having ZERO say in their lives but doing their best to adjust every day." **This year we will celebrate our everyday, history-changing, trend-setting, flexible, resilient, superstar students...**



And we will celebrate our staff and families, since we also have zero say in many of these scenarios. "When I was very young, most of my childhood heroes wore capes, flew through the air, or picked up buildings with one arm. They were spectacular and got a lot of attention. But as I grew, my heroes changed, so that now I can honestly say that anyone who does anything to help a child is a hero to me." This quote from Fred Rogers reminds us that we are shaping the next generation. We will celebrate our hard-working, protective, compassionate, reliable, nurturing, loving parents, guardians, siblings, grandparents, aunts and uncles, and caregivers. We will celebrate our everyday, supportive, compassionate, dedicated, resourceful, and creative teachers and staff... After all, not all superheroes wear capes!

I look forward to seeing everyone tomorrow at our Open House! Feel free to contact me at 610-627-6901 or ebucci@rtmsd.org if you have any questions or concerns.- Eric F. Bucci

District Communications to Parents

Our voice broadcast system allows you to configure how you receive information from the district and schools. The system is automatically populated with the guardian information from the student emergency card. The link to the broadcast portal is found here: <https://go.schoolmessenger.com>. You may download the *SchoolMessenger* mobile app if you would like to access/modify settings and historical messages on your mobile device.

If you are a new family in the district or never created an account, click on the *Sign-Up* button. Use the email address that you provided to the school when you registered your child and create your account. Follow the instructions in the email message that is generated to activate and finalize your account. If you choose not to create an account, you will receive general messages at Guardian 1 home phone and emergency messages at Guardian 1 home phone and cell phone.

Timely communication of information to families is essential. A large percentage of the communication that we provide to families is via e-mail. It is imperative that we have an accurate and up-to-date e-mail address for each family. Your primary email address is listed on your Home Access Center letter (in this packet). If you need to change your primary email address for district communications, you may make this update in HAC. The HAC system will update *SchoolMessenger* within 24 hours of the change. If you need to change other demographic information, including your telephone number or mailing address, that must be done through your school building.

GLENWOOD EVERYDAY HEROES



Thanks to generous grant support from PECO and The Connelly Foundation, Tyler Arboretum is pleased to announce:

• **Students, faculty, staff – and their families – can enjoy FREE admission (children and adults) at Tyler now through June 30, 2022.** Guest simply need to present the following promotional code at the Visitor Center: PECO2021. We have recently expanded our hours of operation through October (8am – 6pm Monday – Friday; 8am – 8pm Saturday and Sunday) and have extended the season for our Butterfly House exhibit from August to October.

MESSAGE FROM THE PTG:

TOMORROW: The PTG will have limited Spirit Wear inventory available during our Open House and Orientations, be sure to check it out!

After meeting your new teachers, head over to Scooped in Media for Glenwood Spirit Day (12 - 9 pm)! Mention Glenwood when you order and the PTG will get a portion of the proceeds.



Sign up now for our "[Membership Toolkit](https://glenwoodptg.membershiptoolkit.com/)" to access the "Student Directory", view the PTG calendar, even pay dues! <https://glenwoodptg.membershiptoolkit.com/> We will send out a PTG Newsletter next week with more information including the "ABC's of the PTG" – a description of all events/committees & terms!



**EXCELLENCE
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Dear Parent or Guardian,

Rose Tree Media School District's Food Service Department would like to welcome back all students and parents/guardians for the 2021-2022 school year. We are pleased to continue with the USDA's Seamless Summer Option (SSO) into the 2021-2022 school year. Your child(ren) attending Glenwood Elementary will be eligible to receive one no cost lunch meal during their school day. Any additional meals will be available to students if funds are available on their meal account.

Meal prices for the 2021-2022 school year are as follows:

- Lunch – FREE
- Ala Carte items: range in price from \$0.50 to \$3.50

Free and Reduced Meal Applications:

All Parents/Guardians who wish to receive P-EBT benefits and qualify are encouraged to complete the Free and Reduced Meal Application available on the district website under Student Services tab- Food Services. On the left-hand side click the link *Free and Reduced Lunch Information* to find more information on completing the application.

Menu Information:

Menu information can be found on the district website under Student Services tab- Food Services. On the left-hand side click the link *Lunch Menu* to find more information on school menus.

Funding your student's meal account:

Parents/Guardians can load money onto their student's account by using MySchoolBucks. Please visit www.MySchoolBucks.com and register for a free account. Parents/Guardians with an account from the previous school year do not need to create another account. Additionally, students can bring in cash to be deposited into their meal account.

We look forward to serving your students throughout the school year!

Sincerely,

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Dear Parent or Guardian,

The Covid-19 pandemic, has had a negative impact on the nationwide supply chain for food and grocery products for the upcoming 2021-2022 school year. For this reason, The Food Service Department in keeping with our mission, "Children First...Always!" we are sharing these updates with you in hopes that they will provide understanding for when menus are changed last minute due to sourcing issues.

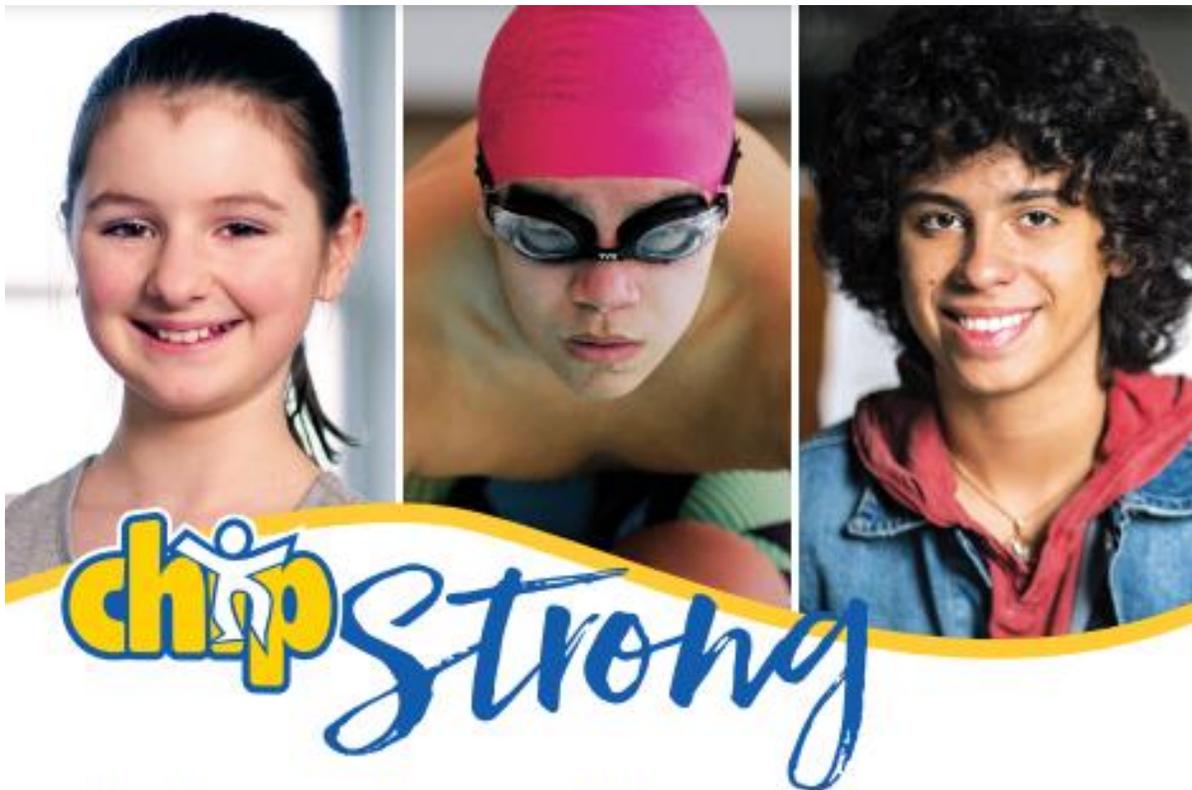
Changes to the supply chain industry are taking place that have the potential to impact our school nutrition operation. These changes may be last minute in nature and not allow the opportunity for advance notice. Because of this, we are advising families to always view the menu posted on the district web site for the most current updated menu. For additional questions or concerns, please contact Jenni Lee (Food Service Supervisor) at jlee@rtmsd.org.

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Get Academic Support & Childcare Coverage

Leading Edge has partnered with **Glenwood Elementary School** to bring our innovative and affordable programs to your child's school.

Our program offers:

- **Academic support:** Each day, your children will get homework help to better understand the material.
- **Engaging activities:** Our lab based programming means your children will have unique and fun activities daily with other children in their school.
- **Safe, experienced, on-site programs:** Our programs are staffed with experienced teachers, located in your school, and meet or exceed current CDC guidelines.



Program Information

Hours

Before School: 7:00am – 8:40am
After School: 3:30pm – 6:00pm
Full Day: 7:00am – 6:00pm
Early Release: 12:20pm – 6:00pm

To Learn More & Register:
www.leadingedgekids.com/glenwood

Pricing Per Day/Student*

Options	Full-time	Part-time	Calendar
Before School	\$10.20	\$11.75	\$13.75
After School	\$15.75	\$17.29	\$19.33
Full Day	--	--	\$57.99
Early Release	--	--	\$29.99

- Registration fee of \$59.99 per family per academic year.
- Discounts for siblings, school employees, and military.
- Childcare Subsidy accepted (Provider ID# 3114018655-3)



Questions?
 Email Antonee Murphy, Area Director,
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 or call our Customer Care team at
 1-800-341-5791