



Glen Burnie High School

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Dear Parent/Guardians of the Class of 2021,

It is a pleasure to welcome you and your student to Glen Burnie High School. The first steps in our four-year journey toward graduation for the Class of 2021 begin this month.

Freshman Orientation Night will be held on **Wednesday, August 30th at 6:30 PM.** in the auditorium. First-time ninth grade students will begin classes on **Tuesday, September 5th, 2017.** Back to school night for all parents/guardians will occur on **Thursday, September 14th, 2017 beginning at 5:30 PM** with a spaghetti dinner in the cafeteria.

The success that students find in the 9th grade year will lay the foundation not only for the next four years at GBHS but also, this begins their preparation for college and career paths. Our goal is to inspire all students to set goals and to enable them to make choices that will guarantee a bright and prosperous future. The newly revised school improvement plan calls for an increased focus on supporting our 9th grade students on their academic journey, increasing AP enrollment and success in college level coursework, strengthening literacy and mathematical skills, developing the capacity of all students to make positive and responsible decisions, and to continue to build a stronger relationship with all our community members. Upcoming Parent Cafés scheduled throughout the school year provide an opportunity to work in collaboration with you to achieve our collective goal of increasing student success.

Our school has a long tradition of excellence, with an extremely committed group of educators who strive to bring the best to your child's classroom every day. Many of our dedicated faculty members have continued to work and learn throughout the summer to ensure that they are prepared to offer a top-notch educational experience this year for all students. The GBHS faculty has participated in Advanced Placement workshops, AVID training sessions, Restorative Practices, leadership courses, Positive Behavioral Interventions Strategies, and Arts Integration professional development.

With the long summer, the adjustment back to school this year may certainly prove to be a challenge. Please support us by ensuring your child is well-rested, prepared to be in class and ready to learn by **7:30 AM.** It is our expectation that all students arrive on time to all classes every day. We also expect all students to abide by school rules and regulations, including respectful interactions with all adults and peers, and to display appropriate conduct to maintain a safe and orderly environment.

We encourage all parents and guardians to actively communicate with us about the educational progress of their student. We also encourage you to register for Parent Connect, which is available on the www.aacps.org website. We pride ourselves on constant communication with our school community; Glen Burnie High School can be followed on Twitter @GBHSAacps for updates on everything occurring at GBHS.

I look forward to sharing another exciting school year with you. As always, the office staff is available at (410)761-8950 to answer any questions you may have regarding the start of the school year.

Sincerely,

Vickie L. Plitt
Principal

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Important Dates to Remember

AUGUST

- August 12 Fall Sport Begin
- August 30 9th Grade Parent Orientation Night 6:30 PM

SEPTEMBER

- September 5 First Day for 9th grade student
- September 6 All students report back to school (A – Day)
- September 14 Welcome BMAH Freshman ONLY (parents/students)
5PM in Auditorium
- September 14 Back to School Night/Spaghetti Dinner at 5:30 PM

OCTOBER

- October 10 and 11 Underclassmen Portraits
- October 18 Two-hour early dismissal
- October 19 and 20 Schools closed for students
- October 19 Parent Teacher Conferences

NOVEMBER

- November 9 and 10 Two-hour early dismissal; End of the 1st Marking Period
- November 13 Beginning of the 2nd Marking Period
- November 13-17 American Education Week
- November 15 Winter Sports Begin
- November 22-24 Thanksgiving Holiday – Schools and Central Offices Closed



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