

# GLEN ROCK PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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As we enter our third week of virtual learning, we continue to make changes and adjustments to our virtual learning process. Please be assured that all feedback is received and addressed with appropriate principals and teachers. Dr. Wirt wrote in her morning message the other day that "It is not our abilities that show what we truly are. It is our choices." Harry Potter. Let's continue to support each other by checking in on neighbors, adhering to social distancing, and supporting local businesses where feasible.

- **High School Guidance:**

- [Review for AP Courses](#) from the College Board

- [The impact COVID has/will have on the college process for the class of 2020 and 2021](#)

- **Permission Form:** As we move forward with remote instruction, our teachers are beginning to use new tools that enable real time virtual interactions and video web conferencing with their students. Recorded videos, Zoom, Google Hangouts and other tools can maintain your child's interaction with his/her teachers, and the expanded use of these tools will enhance our remote learning plan and your child's experience. The use of some of these tools requires a teacher to interact with your child in your home. We are asking that you provide consent for these interactions by logging into the Genesis Parent Portal and completing an online permission form for each of your children. While most formats for the use of technology are covered in the Acceptable Use Policy, extensions of virtual environments to accommodate student learning are beneficial given the conditions of the emergency mandated school closure. We ask that you please complete the Genesis form for each of your children at your earliest convenience. The form can be found under the "Forms" tab once you log into the Portal.

- **Spotlight on a GR Elementary School: Byrd School** // Here is a [video](#) that the Byrd School faculty and staff made for their families.

- **Spotlight on a GR Middle School:** GRMS teachers made a [TikTok video](#) to replace their Teacher vs Student March Madness game that was previously scheduled.

- **Special Services Update:** The special education teachers, case managers and related service providers are working on further developing "virtual strategies" to meet the needs of Glen Rock students. Teachers have been posting read alouds on Schoology, demonstrating virtual exercises, and checking in with students via Zoom. It has been a busy and productive week in special services.

- **Restrictions are in place and children are not allowed on the school grounds or playgrounds**

- **School Resources:**

**Technology issues**, please contact [helpdesk@glenrocknj.org](mailto:helpdesk@glenrocknj.org).

**Schoology Disruptions:** Check for outages on the Schoology Status Page:

<https://status.schoology.com>

[Please read the Update from Schoology: Scaling Schoology for Increased Demand](#)

**Instructional questions**, please contact your child's teacher and/or the building principals

We are Glen Rock Schools!

Sincerely,



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