I am excited to continue my journey at Glen Oak Community Learning Center as the building Principal for the 2020-21 school year! This year we are prepared to raise the bar with stimulating reading, writing, mathematics, science, and social studies skills through a strong academic foundation. We are also preparing to broaden students' growth mindset and increase cultural awareness. Emphasis will be placed on intensive academic growth for all students; using technology and coding; parent and community involvement; and grooming students to become effective problem solvers and critical thinkers with 21st century skillsets.

We are looking forward to an exciting new school year! Our teachers bring a wealth of experience; actively enhance their professional expertise and consistently participate in training to further refine their skills. We genuinely welcome all our parents and students to a school year filled with innovation, high expectations and students will forge friendships that will last for a lifetime! We want all families to know that Glen Oak Community Learning Center is a home away from home!

There are many new updates at Glen Oak Community Learning Center for the 20-21 school year. We are very excited to implement Responsive Classroom; add an additional school counselor; hire key certified international candidates in hard to fill ESL, Math and Science positions. We will continue to partner with the East Bluff Neighborhood, Elite, Horizon’s Club and look forward to growing our partnership with many others throughout the year. Although we are not a fully implemented AVID school, we will have traits of the program. AVID stands for Advancement Via Individual Determination (AVID) and it focuses on college and career readiness.

Please note the following important dates and information:

School Registration HUB: This year we will have 3 “hubs” for registration:
- August 8 (Sat) Student registration hubs open 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. at Manual High School & Peoria HS.
- August 11 (Tue) Student registration hubs open 9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. at Manual High School & Peoria HS.
- August 13 (Thurs) Student registration hubs open 9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. at Manual High School & Peoria HS.

School Hours – School begins at 8:30 a.m. and dismisses at 2 p.m. We ask that students not arrive at school before 8:15 a.m. Students who arrive before 8:15 will be outside unsupervised.

Due to COVID-19, most students will be on a Blended Virtual A/B Learning Schedule. Students’ temperatures will be checked each day when they arrive at school. Students must bring hand sanitizer to school and must wear a face mask while in school and on the school bus.

Attendance – It is important that students have regular attendance at school. If your child is sick and must be absent from school, please send a note with your child when they return. If a note is not received your child will be marked as unexcused. If your child has an appointment, please send a note when your child returns to school. We appreciate your support in helping us keep our records accurate.

Uniform Policy- is enclosed with this letter and available in our student handbook. Please read carefully. All students are expected to be in uniform starting on the first day of school.
New Student Orientation and Unpack Your Backpack: Glen Oak Community Learning Center Staff would like to invite all new and returning students and families to visit and get acquainted with their school for the 2020-21 school year. Please bring two proofs of address, birth certificates (K Only), Completed Physical (K and 6th Grade only), Shot record (K and 6th Grade only)

Kindergarten  
Please join us from 10:00am -12:00 p.m. on August 18, 2020, to get to know your school, classrooms, and teachers. Computers will be available for families to access online registration.

1st -4th Grade  
Please join us from 10:00am -12:00 p.m. on August 10, 2020, to get to know your school, classrooms, and teachers. Computers will be available for families to access online registration.

5th-8th Grade  
Please join us from 10:00am -12:00 p.m. on August 14, 2020, to get to know your school, classrooms, and teachers. Computers will be available for families to access online registration.

Back to School Schedule:  
First Day of School – Wednesday, August 19, 2020. (8:30 a.m. – 2 p.m.)

School Improvement Days – In order to help you plan, the following days will be ½ days for students:
- September 30
- November 4
- February 3
- April 28

I look forward to visiting with returning students and parents and welcoming new members to our Charger-Nation family. Our dedicated administration, teachers and staff will work hard to provide students with a world-class education. Please feel free to reach out to me if you have any questions or concerns throughout the year. Please know that certain aspects of the 2020-2021 school year may be subject to change due to the effects of COVID-19. Rest assured, if any changes should happen, we will keep you informed and updated on those changes.

Your Partner in Education,

Ilethea Suggs, Ed.S.

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DRESS CODE & UNIFORM EXPECTATIONS

On school days, students must remain in uniform at all times on school grounds and while on the bus. This includes after-school events unless performance attire is required.

Use the guidelines below to ensure proper adherence to the uniform policy at Glen Oak Community Learning Center.

Administration reserves the right to make additional requests in order to maintain a positive and productive educational environment.

Tops AND Bottoms

Must fit appropriately.
Must have a collar.

**Must be a solid color**—navy blue, white, red, black, green gold, or light blue
Brand logos may be no larger than 1 square inch.
Undershirts (short or long-sleeve) must be solid uniform color and should not show at the waist. Must fit appropriately and sit at the waist.
Must be uniform pants/shorts/skirts.
Must be a solid color—navy blue, black, or khaki.
Shorts/skirts/jumpers must extend below the fingertips of the student’s extended arm.
Tights/leggings worn under skirts/jumpers must be solid uniform colors.

Additional information

All footwear must be closed-back or have an ankle strap. Proper shoes must be worn; no high heels or “flip flops” (backless) shoes can be worn. Boots may be worn to school, but please have another pair to change into once at school. Tennis shoes are only permitted in the gymnasium to protect floors and lessen any damage that could happen to them. Prohibited—“heelys” or any other roller skates and/or roller skating shoes.

Socks must be matching pairs.
In colder weather, solid uniform-color sweatshirts/sweaters may be worn over the collared uniform shirt. **Sweatshirts/sweaters must not have hoods. Sweaters may be pullover or solid color cardigan style.**
Any clothing or jewelry containing insignias, sayings or symbols of gangs/drugs/alcohol/weapons are not permitted
Purses and bags are to remain in lockers for the entire school day.
Coats, jackets, and vests are to remain in lockers for the entire school day.
Coats and book bags are not allowed in the classrooms.
Hats, bandanas, sweatbands, scarves, sunglasses, etc. are not to be worn at school.
Accessories that do not interfere with or distract from learning may be worn.
Clothing sagging below the buttocks or well below the waistline is not permitted.
Hats, headwear nor sunglasses are not to be worn in the school.
Shorts need to be long enough to cover the student properly. Simple test: stand straight up, arms down by sides – are shorts’ lengths below fingertips?
Tops should not be so short that the stomach shows when the hands are raised or when the student moves naturally.

**Sweatshirts or sweaters**

No hoodies may be worn inside the school

Students dressed inappropriately or found to be violating this dress code policy will be allowed to call home for appropriate clothing. Further disciplinary consequences may be taken for those who choose not to follow the dress code.