

Are you ready for Back-to-School?

Gladstone schools are gearing up for an amazing school year, and we can't wait to see your kids! Here are some important dates and essentials you need to know

First day of school:

September 5 -- grades K-9

September 6 -- grades 10-12

School supplies:

GCCF/Kindergarten: For \$25 per student we will purchase at the discounted school rate your child's school supplies and have them in your child's classroom by the first day of school.

John Wetten Elementary: Supply lists are here: <http://gladstone.k12.or.us/elementary/1109-2/>

Kraxberger Middle School: Supply lists are here:
<http://gladstone.k12.or.us/middle/files/School-Supply-Lists-2017-18-2.pdf> .

Gladstone High School: Information here
<http://gladstone.k12.or.us/high/school-supplies/>

Registration &/or Back-to-School Open House Events:

GCCF/Kindergarten:

An Open House & free barbecue dinner for all incoming kindergarten students & their parents is planned from 5 to 7 p.m. on Wednesday, August 30. This is an opportunity to drop off any registration paperwork and to pay supply fees.

John Wetten Elementary:

Registration for John Wetten takes place Tuesday, August 22 from 4 to 7 p.m. and Thursday, August 24 from 9 to 11 a.m. This is an opportunity to pay your fees and turn in your completed paperwork which will be mailed to you in advance of the event.

John Wetten students and their families are invited to an Open House on August 31 from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. This is the time to bring in school supplies, and to meet teachers and other staff.

Kraxberger Middle School:

Join us on Wednesday, August 23 from 9 to 11 a.m. or 5 to 7 p.m. This is a chance to take care of back-to-school paperwork and fees. Bring your questions!

Gladstone High:

Students should return completed paperwork and pay fees on the following schedule.

Seniors — August 22 from 8 to 10 a.m.

Juniors — August 22 from 12:30 to 2:30 p.m.

Sophomores — August 23 from 8 to 10 a.m.
Freshmen — August 23 from 12:30 to 2:30 p.m.

New bell schedule for Gladstone High:

For the 2017-1018 school year classes at Gladstone High School will **begin at 8 a.m.**, 15 minutes earlier than last year. **School will end at 3 p.m.** 15 minutes earlier than last year.

“The primary reason for the shift is to give students access to extra help after school from their own teachers,” said Principal Kevin Taylor. “Students will have a half hour after school every day to access teachers for questions, clarifications, and extra help. Teachers will still be available in the morning from 7:30 to 8 a.m., when classes start.”

A second reason for the change is to reduce the amount of school missed by the many students participating in sports and after school activities due to travel. School bus scheduled pick up and drop off times will not change.

Any back-to-school questions?

Our head secretaries are available to take your calls:
Kindergarten/GCCF: 503.496.3939
John Wetten Elementary: 503.656.6564
Kraxberger Middle School: 503.655.3636
Gladstone High School: 503.655.2544

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Gladstone Food Pantry plans cooking demonstration

The Gladstone Food Pantry will host a free gazpacho cooking demonstration by professional nutritionist Stephanie Kurzenhauser.

On hot August days, firing up the barbecue is just too much. That’s why gazpacho is the perfect dinner solution. This chilled summer soup is filled with a wide variety of garden vegetables and can be made spicy or mild to suit your family’s preference.

The event will be Saturday, August 19 from 10 a.m. to noon at the food pantry, located on the north side of the Gladstone High School campus off Nelson Lane. The event is open to all, including families needing food and those who wish to donate food.

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Families urged to register for kindergarten as soon as possible

There’s still time to register your child for full-day kindergarten at the Gladstone Center for Children and Families [GCCF]. To be eligible, children must be five years old by September 1. To do this, drop by the GCCF at 18905 Portland Avenue to pick up a registration packet or call Heidi Smith at 503.496.3939.

“We hope families will register their children as soon as possible so we can have everything

ready for them at the start of the school year,” said Early Learning Director Jere Applebee. “We want each child to have the best possible start to their education.”

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Gladstone Baskin Robbins holds school supply drive

To make sure every student starts the school year with the tools they need, Gladstone Baskin Robbins is holding a school supply drive at 19510 McLoughlin Blvd. The school supply drive continues through September 5.

Needed items include spiral notebooks, pencils, pens, rulers, calculators, erasers, pencil sharpeners, crayons, scissors, colored pencils, backpacks, 3-ring binders, notebook dividers, graph paper, calculators, highlighter pens, Crayola markers, composition books, and pencil pouches.