



# Glen Ridge Public Schools

## A Tradition of Excellence

### **GLEN RIDGE BOARD OF EDUCATION**

#### **September 27th Meeting Summary**

##### **President's Report**

Mrs. Ginsburg acknowledged several BoE correspondence. She reviewed the challenges that school districts face due to the changing world of Covid. Mrs. Ginsburg discussed how the shortages of school bus drivers and teachers are affecting every district.

##### **Superintendent's Report**

Mr. Phillips opened his report by recognizing four high school students who were named National Merit Scholarship Semifinalists. The four students have the opportunity to apply to become a National Merit Finalist. Congratulations to:

- Mia Etahamm
- Tyler Johnson
- Shoh Nishino
- Evan Rossi

Mr. Phillips encouraged parents to use the schools' Facebook pages to get information. He also announced that the high school has started using an Instagram account: @GRHSRidgers.

An overview of the recent Covid-19 cases in the district was shared. Mr. Phillips encouraged individuals to take similar precautions outside of school that are applied in the schools. He stated that the Covid-19 cases had been traced back to family and outside-school activities.

Mr. Phillips provided an overview of the three ongoing district initiatives; Equity Audit, Special Education Audit, and Strategic Planning. Following the Superintendent's report, Dr. Diana Artis, CEO of Olive Branch Educators, presented the findings and recommendation of their audit. Olive Branch's full report can be read at: [Equity Audit Report](#).

Superintendent's Presentation: Superintendent's [Presentation](#)

Regular Business Highlights

- The Glen Ridge BoE and Administrative Association reached a new three-year agreement. The new contract will be in effect until June 30, 2024.
- The BoE approved the emergency contract with Rapid Recovery, which was necessary due to the tropical storm. The district is working with our insurance company to repair and replace the damage caused by Tropical Storm Ida.



The Glen Ridge BOE's agendas can be accessed at: [BOE Meeting Agenda](#)

Video recordings of the BOE meetings can be viewed at: [BOE Meeting Video](#)



Other News

**\*\*CRIME PREVENTION ALERT\*\***

The GRPD would like to remind everyone that the best way to combat auto theft and auto burglaries is the following:

- Do not leave your vehicle idling while unattended
- Lock all vehicle doors
- Remove the keys from the vehicle
- Remove any valuable items
- Report any and all suspicious activity

Town Meetings

- The School District and the Town Council have shared draft meeting calendars to limit having meetings on the same night.



**October**

**4-8: Week of Respect**

**5: Financial Aid Night**

**7: Middle School Club Fair**

**11: District Professional Day, No school for students**

**11: BOE Meeting 7:00 Public Session**

**12-15 RAS Start Strong Assessment**

**14: GRHS Parent-Teacher Conferences**

**15: Middle School Activity Night**