

Glenwood School Background Information

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

Glenwood is a safe-place for kids to live, learn and grow. With campuses in Glenwood and St. Charles, Glenwood is a preventative residential-educational program serving lower-income mostly single-parent families facing difficult circumstances. Founded in 1887 and praised for its traditional values, Glenwood is a children's charity, supported entirely by the community. Glenwood gives children a better chance at life!

Glenwood School is a year-round program that exists for the single parent or guardian who is raising a family, trying to make a living and only wants the best for his or her children. Parents can enroll their children directly at Glenwood at any time, and they can rest assured knowing that their children are in a safe, stable and structured environment.

Children live in cottages with experienced and caring houseparents, many with families of their own, and 10-12 other children. Each residential cottage is tastefully furnished to provide a pleasant home-like environment. Children eat decent meals, attend private grade school, do their homework, participate in wholesome activities and learn traditional values.

Glenwood's on-campus fully-accredited elementary schools enroll students in grades 2 through 8. They are staffed by teachers with first-hand knowledge of our students' needs. The average class size is 12-15 students, which allows children to receive more individualized attention. Glenwood also has a Resource Education Program for those students requiring individual educational plans.

We also offer a Day Program at our South Campus for families who need a safe, caring environment for their grade school boys and girls during a typical workday. Day students are involved in all campus and summer activities along with their cottage classmates.

After graduation from eighth grade, and with the family's and staff's support, a student may choose to continue living at Glenwood and attend one of the local high schools. Students living on the South Campus attend Marian Catholic or Bloom Township High Schools. On the Rathje Campus, students attend St. Edwards High School.

Glenwood School offers a variety of extracurricular activities, which allow students to interact with peers in a structured and safe environment. In addition to on-campus summer programs, our 180-acre Camp Getschow in northern Wisconsin is a special place where children can get out of the city and into the woods.

MISSION

Glenwood School provides a quality educational program and residential campus environment for children from lower income and single parent families who seek positive alternatives to home and community situations that impede opportunities for these children to achieve their potential.

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HISTORY

1887 – Robert Todd Lincoln helps Oscar Dudley open the Illinois Industrial Training School for Boys in Norwood Park after Dudley, an agent for the Illinois Humane Society, discovered more neglected and abandoned children on the streets than stray animals.

1948 – The school’s name is changed to Glenwood School for Boys.

1988 – Glenwood Board Members Frank Rathje, Stan Enlund and Claire Hansen spearhead the effort to develop a Glenwood campus in the western suburbs. Subsequently, the school purchased 420 acres of farmland in northwest St. Charles, Illinois.

1994 – Glenwood opens its second campus in west St. Charles, Illinois.

1998 – Glenwood Board of Trustees vote to make three strategic changes: to rename the institution to Glenwood School, to develop a Day Program on the South Campus, and to begin enrolling girls in the Day Program before December, 2000.

2000 – Glenwood Board of Trustees vote to dedicate the West Campus as the Rathje Campus.

2002 – The South Campus enrolls girls in its Day School Program.

2003 – June 10: for the first time in its 116 years, Glenwood opens a residential cottage for girls.

February 8, 2004 – Glenwood celebrates 117 years!

FACULTY

Twenty-seven State of Illinois certified instructors

SOUTH CAMPUS

Glenwood’s historic South Campus in Glenwood, Illinois, serves approximately 180 children annually from Chicago, surrounding south/southwest suburbs and Northwest Indiana. The 150-acre campus is located approximately 35 miles south of downtown Chicago, at the corner of 187th and Halsted streets in Glenwood. It is comprised of 23 buildings including 14 residence halls – two for girls and 12 for boys; an academic center with computer labs, music room, and a library; a woodworking shop, gymnasium, chapel, dining hall/special events center, administration building and maintenance facilities.

RATHJE CAMPUS

Our northwest St. Charles location, built in 1994 and dedicated Rathje Campus in 2000, serves 96 children each year from Kane, DuPage, DeKalb, McHenry and west Cook counties. Two more cottages are planned, which will increase capacity to 120. Rathje Campus sits on 120 acres and is comprised of 11 buildings including eight residence halls, an academic center with a library and computer lab, a field house and dining hall/office building.

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South Campus 18700 South Halsted, Glenwood, IL 60425 708-756-0175
Rathje Campus 41W400 Silver Glen Road, St. Charles, IL 60175 847-464-8200

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FUNDING Glenwood is a 501(c)(3) children's charity supported entirely by contributions from community-minded individuals and organizations. Children are directly enrolled at Glenwood by their parent/s or guardian/s, not through the court system or DCFS.

ACCREDITATION/ RECOGNITION Fully accredited by the Independent School Association of the Central States, and has full Recognition from the Illinois State Board of Education.

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	Glenwood School 18700 South Halsted Street Glenwood, IL 60425	Glenwood School 41W400 Silver Glen Road St. Charles, IL 60175
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WEB SITE www.glenwoodschool.org

SERVICE STATISTICS

DESCRIPTION	SOUTH CAMPUS	RATHJE CAMPUS	COMBINED
Grade Schoolers	70%	87%	76%
High Schoolers	30%	13%	24%
African American	43%	30%	38%
Caucasian	20%	34%	25%
Hispanic	21%	22%	22%
Other/Multi-racial	16%	14%	15%
Single-Parent Household	79%	78%	79%
Guardian lives 20 miles or less from campus	68%	53%	63%

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Average number of students per class:	12
Total days of care provided	38,510
Days of camp provided	1,908
Weekend service days*	278
Percentage of children from families living at/below poverty level	66
Children served through on-site Rainbows counseling	63
Children served through on-site Learning Resource Centers	98
Average number of months houseparents stay with Glenwood**	56.4
Dollar value of scholarships provided	\$7.2 million

**Applies to South Campus only. **National average is 17 months*

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