Black Horse Pike Regional School District Alumni Spotlight - TRITON June 2021

Glenn Smith, class of 1980





"Glenn has been a staple in this district for many many years. Personally, Glenn has always been an asset to me, whether I was in my school counselor role, the Director of School Counseling or Supervisor of Registration & Enrollment. Whenever I needed clarification on courses, discuss schedules or get assistaince with the different website features, Glenn not only assisted, but it was usually same day. Glenn, I wish you nothing but the absolute best in your retirement. The district will miss you dearly. Cherish all the memories you will make with your family and keep marking off whatever bucket-list items you may have left. You deserve every one of them."

~ Art Alessandroni, Superviosr of Registration, Enrollment & Summer Programs





1. AA: Upon graduation, what post-secondary path did you take and why?

Glenn: I graduated from Glassboro State College. Originally, I had no intentions of going to college. I was planning to become a union ironworker and follow in the footsteps of my father. At some point during my senior baseball season, Glassboro State College head coach **Mickey Brillia** came to Triton and convinced me to play baseball in college. I enjoyed the classes I took in the Building Trades Program at Triton High School, so I enrolled as an Industrial Arts Major.

2. Looking back, would you have done anything differently and why?

Glenn: I love what I have been doing for the last 36 years. Knowing what I know now, I would have adjusted my career path to Engineering. I enjoy learning about how and why things work. Building and making things is a passion of mine.

3. AA: Describe your career/profession today?

Glenn: I now supervise the Art, Business and Tech Ed Departments in the Black Horse Pike Regional School District. I enjoy interacting with the awesome teachers, administrators, staff and students on a daily basis. I will be retiring as a District Supervisor from the Black Horse Pike Regional School District after 31 years, (36.6 years total in education).

4. AA: Were there specific teachers, coaches, counselors, administrators, secretaries or other professionals that had a major impact on you while in school, and if so, who were those professionals? Describe how they helped you along your HS journey. Glenn: I had a number of special people who have had an impact on me during my high school years. Walt Maeser and Pat Libro, Building Trades teachers at Triton, Lou Cappelli Principal, Chuck Barr VP/Class Advisor, Jim Doyle football coach, Fred Ewell drafting teacher and football coach, Bob Smith football and baseball coach. All of them kept me on the straight and narrow and were great role models and mentors.

5. AA: Which school clubs, sports, activities, etc., if any, did you participate in at THS? Were there any moments or experiences that you can recall that helped you become the person you are today?

Glenn: I couldn't wait to attend Triton HS to play sports. I participated in football, wrestling and baseball. Baseball was my favorite sport and our teams did well. Working through the ups and down in athletics has provided me with positive experiences of team work and my work ethic, because of these experiences, includes not wanting to let anyone down.

6. AA: Please share any other favorite memories of the Black Horse Pike Regional School District, your HS in particular, that would inspire today's youth?

Glenn: I met my wife, Joyce, in high school. We will be celebrating our 36th wedding anniversary soon. We have three wonderful children, all graduates of Triton HS, Jillian, Alyssa and Tyler. We also have three beautiful grandchildren; Wyatt, Lucy and Rosalie.

7. What advice would you give to our current student body? What would you have done differently in high school if you could turn back time?

Glenn: Have fun and enjoy high school. I have a number of friends who I met in high school and still consider good friends. I did well in school but it wasn't easy, however, in the long term it was worth the effort I put into my school work.



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