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Kids pose for pictures with the new Glens Falls Black Bears mascot at Monday's mascot reveal rally at Glens Falls High School.

Trump preps for court appearance Tuesday

ERIC TUCKER AND JILL COLVIN Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Donald Trump arrived in Florida on Monday ahead of a history-making federal court appearance on dozens of felony charges accusing him of illegally hoarding classified documents and thwarting the Justice Department's efforts to get them back.

Trump's Tuesday afternoon appearance in Miami will mark his second time since April facing a judge on criminal charges. But unlike a New York case some legal analysts derided as relatively trivial, the Justice Department's first prosecution of a former president concerns conduct that prosecutors say jeopardized national security, with Espionage Act charges carrying the prospect of a significant prison sentence.

Ahead of his court date, he and his allies have been escalating efforts to undermine the criminal case against him and drum up protests. He ratcheted up the rhetoric against the Justice Department special counsel who filed the case, calling Jack Smith "deranged" as he repeated without any evidence his claims that he was the target of a political persecution. And even as his supporters accuse the Justice Department of being weaponized against him, he vowed Monday to appoint a special prosecutor to investigate President Joe Biden and his family if Trump is elected to a second term.

Trump landed in Miami around 3 p.m. Monday and got into a waiting SUV. He was expected to huddle with advisers before his court appearance, as he looks to line up additional lawyers following the departure before his indictment last week of two attorneys who had handled the defense for months.

He encouraged supporters to join a planned protest at the Miami courthouse Tuesday, where he will face the charges and surrender to authorities.

"We need strength in our country now," Trump said Sunday, speaking to longtime friend and adviser Roger Stone in an interview on WABC Radio. "And they have to go out and they have to protest peacefully. They have to go out."



Smith

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'It's really cool'

Glens Falls reveals new Black Bears school logo

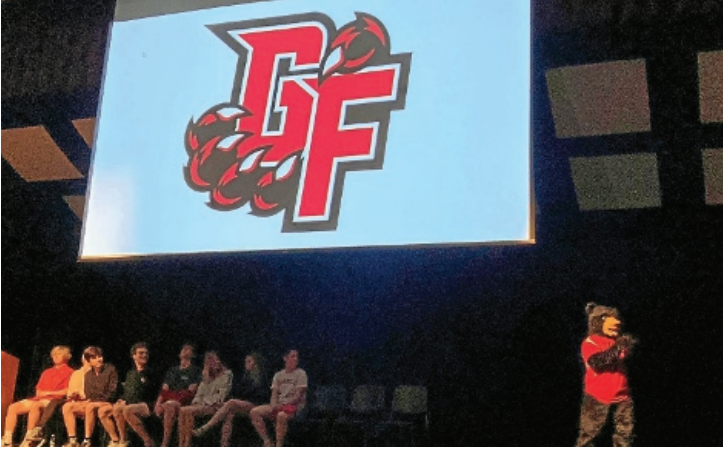
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GLENS FALLS — A new tradition was born Monday evening, heralded by a countdown in a darkened Glens Falls High School auditorium.

The new mascot and logo for Glens Falls' athletic teams were introduced in a mascot reveal rally, complete with a hype video and a bear costume mascot.

As the countdown proceeded, the members of the student committee who had worked on the new mascot and logo stood on the stage with their backs to the crowd. When the new Glens Falls Black Bears logo was revealed on the screen, they turned around to show off their new red Black Bears T-shirts, as the audience cheered.

"It's really cool and I'm glad



The new Glens Falls Black Bears mascot hypes up the crowd at Monday's mascot reveal rally at the Glens Falls High School auditorium.

to see it," said junior Liam Burgess, one of the mascot committee members, as he watched elementary school kids pose for pictures with the new mascot after the rally. "For the most part, everyone's excited — we knew the mascot was going to change and we were just kind of waiting to see what it was going to be. And now that it's here, every-

one's happy." "For the past 10 or so years, we've had a mascot, but we haven't been able to use it," said junior Jack Sweet, another student committee member. "So to be able to use a mascot, have a chant, have an actual person be in a costume, it's exciting. Everyone's excited about new uniforms and new equipment."

In November, the state Education Department announced that it would enforce a policy to require schools to retire Native American-themed mascots and nicknames. Schools would have to change their mascots and imagery by the end of this school year, or risk losing funding and other penalties.

Glens Falls' sports teams had been known as the Indians for the past 82 years. Athletes from Hacksaw Jim Duggan and Dave LaPoint to Jimmer Fredette and Joseph Girard III had worn the Indians' name and logos. The old nickname and arrowhead logo are now officially retired.

While the red and black colors remain, a new logo — the

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WATCH: To see video from the mascot and logo reveal rally, point your smartphone camera at the QR code and tap the link. [NEWSVU](#)

3 states remove limits on child sex abuse suits

DAVID SHARP Associated Press

PORTLAND, Maine — Ann Allen loved going to church and the after-school social group led by a dynamic priest back in the 1960s.

The giggling fun with friends always ended with a game of hide-and-seek. Each week, the Rev. Lawrence Sabatino chose one girl to hide with him. Allen said when it was her turn, she was sexually assaulted, at age 7, in the recesses of St. Peter's Catholic Church.

"I don't remember how I got out of that cellar and I don't think I ever will. But I remember it like it's yesterday. I remember

the smells. The sounds. I remember what he said, and what he did," she said.

Allen, 64, is one of more than two dozen people who have sued the Roman Catholic Diocese of Portland, Maine, over the past year, seeking delayed justice since lawmakers allowed lawsuits for abuse that happened long ago and can't be pursued in criminal courts either because of time limits or evidence diminishing over time.

More survivors are pursuing cases as states increasingly consider repealing time limits for child sex-crime lawsuits. Vermont was the first state to remove the limits in 2019, followed

by Maine in 2021 and Maryland this year.

Michigan, Rhode Island and Massachusetts are poised to take action before their legislative sessions end.

"The momentum is irreversible," said Marci Hamilton, CEO of CHILD USA, a think tank aiming to prevent child abuse and neglect.

In April, Maryland lifted time limits on child sexual abuse lawsuits against institutions less than a week after the attorney general detailed decades of abuse of more than 600 children by over 150 priests associated with

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St. Peter's Church is seen in May in Portland, Maine. The Roman Catholic Diocese of Portland is being sued by several women who claim to be victims of sexual abuse committed by the Rev. Lawrence Sabatino at St. Peter's from 1958 to 1967.

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