



**OMNES VIAE TUAE STABILIAN -
(LET ALL YOUR WAYS BE STEADFAST)**

Class of 2021 School Motto

2020-2021 LCHS Summer Mailing Documents

Greetings Parents, Guardians, and Students,

As summer is winding down and the beginning of school is right around the corner, we are sending essential information you will need to review and keep on hand for the 2020-2021 school year.

Following are links to important documents regarding the upcoming school year. Be sure to review them all in the coming days to best prepare for the start of the year.

The registration process is done online, prior to school starting. More information will be sent out this week.

Let us know if we can be of assistance in any way by sending an e-mail to hsinfo@libertycommon.org. We are happy to help and are excited to see you in a few short weeks.

Sincerely,
The LCHS Administration



Thank you to all of the volunteers who helped moved items out of the school building in preparation for the school year.

Monday 10 August 2020

Dear Parents of Liberty Common School,

The teeming engagement of Liberty Common School parents in teleconference briefings led last week by our school principals was outstanding – a great testament to our school’s tight partnership with parents. I’m grateful for everyone’s attention, participation, and helpful feedback.



Liberty Common School’s plans for convening the 2020-2021 school year remain on track exactly as described in last week’s teleconference briefings, and as outlined in the written communications posted by school administrators leading up to the briefings.

Some parents have expressed confusion regarding public announcements describing operational decisions made in recent days by the Poudre School District, other large Colorado school districts, and a few other academic institutions. For example, some of these agencies announced they are delaying the start of in-person, classroom instruction until the second quarter at the earliest. These decisions and announcements do not apply to Liberty Common School.

Our school continues to adhere to the public-health advice and guidance of the Larimer County Department of Health and Environment. Doing so has guided our school in implementing the complex procedures, and risk-reducing precautions described in the teleconferences, and which make in-person classroom instruction advisable. In fact, Liberty Common School’s planning efforts exceed LCDHE guidelines, which is among the reasons public-health

officers support our plans for in-classroom instruction.

Large school districts have indeed made some confusing statements in justifying decisions to close which, in these instances, are a function of their large sizes that make responding to public-health-management contingencies (such as a potential viral outbreak) difficult for them. Their situations are very different than Liberty's. For these and other operational reasons, smaller schools, childcare centers, and other youth centers – especially pliant ones that have implemented precautions similar to the ones Liberty has – are distinctly not being advised by LCDHE to delay in-person, classroom instruction.

To be sure, public-health guidance changes throughout the country depending upon the known localized characteristics of viral transmission. If future circumstances should force Liberty's plan to change, I will ensure you are notified immediately in a parent communication similar to this one.

What will not change, however, is Liberty Common School's maintenance of real-time communication with competent county public-health officers, and the school's adherence to their timely advice, recommendations, and incident coordination. In doing so, we remain focused upon achieving the learning objectives enshrined in the school's Mission Statement, and upon delivering the best k-12 academic strategies in Colorado.

We know risk tolerances vary among families in balancing the indispensable benefits of a Liberty Common School education. As always, we respect unique situations, and make extraordinary efforts for accommodation.

For example, should illness, quarantining, or other health-related precautions dictate, the school will furnish virtual classroom access to assist parents in educating their homebound children. If this applies to your student, please notify **Principal Lovely** (grades 7-12) at tlovely@libertycommon.org, or **Principal Churchill** (grades k-6) at cchurchill@libertycommon.org.

As always, please let the principals or me know if you have any questions.

You are giving your child(ren) an enormous academic advantage by choosing Liberty Common School to assist you in directing their education and upbringing. Each Liberty educator is proud to be employed in this worthy partnership. Again, I am grateful.

Very truly yours,

Bob Schaffer, Headmaster
bschaffer@libertycommon.org

General Information

Return to School and COVID-19. We are excited to return to in-person learning this fall. We have worked closely with Larimer County Health Department officials to create an appropriate plan. While we expect to have most of our students here in the building, we will also provide remote-learning accommodations for families with any COVID-related concerns. You will be

asked to select one of these two options for each child. Please read the descriptions and expectations for each option carefully and make the best decision for your family. It will be possible to move between options during the school year as changing circumstances dictate.

- [In-Person-Learning Expectations](#)
- [Remote-Access Learning Expectations](#)

[School Supply Drop-off Schedule](#)
[2020-2021 Student-Parent Handbook](#)
[2020-2021 School Calendar 7-12](#)
[2020-2021 Performing Arts Calendar 7-12](#)

[Student Activity Fee](#)

[School Supply List - JH](#)
[School Supply List - HS](#)

[School-Contact Information](#)

[Bell Schedule First Day Only](#)
[Bell Schedule](#)

[7th - 8th-Grade Order Water Party](#)
[New Students Only Welcome Party](#)
[Torch Trek](#)

[Traffic Drop-Off and Pick-Up Procedures](#)

[Student Course-Schedule Information](#)

[School Picture Information](#)

Dress Code (no significant changes were made for the 2020-2021 school year)

[Dress Code - SCHOOL WIDE](#)

This document is the official School-Wide Dress Code (students in grades 7-12).

[Dress Code - CHOICE](#)

This document is the official Choice Dress Code (option for students in grades 9-12).

Athletics

[Fall Athletic Information](#)

[Sports at Another School: Intent-to-Participate/Early-Dismissal Form](#)

Health

[Health-Office Letter](#)

[Immunization Requirements](#)

[Immunization-Requirement Chart](#)

[When to keep ill child home](#)- Updates for COVID-19 coming soon

Additional Information

Government Guidance.

Masks should:

- Be clean and in good repair.
- Fit snugly, but comfortably against the side of the face.
- Be secure.
- Include multiple layers of fabric.
- Allow for breathing without restriction.
- Be able to be laundered and machine dried.
- Be on the wearer's face.
- Be laundered on a daily basis.

[CLICK HERE](#) for further guidance on wearing a mask.

Substitute Instructor Needed. LCHS is seeking a fulltime long-term substitute teacher for immediate hire to teach 7th-grade science, HS Spanish, and HS biology. The job posting can be found on the school's website, or by [CLICKING HERE](#).

Senior SAT with Essay Option. The State of Colorado is funding an SAT administration for seniors, scheduled for Sept 23. Students have the option of adding the essay portion free of charge. Seniors can sign up for the optional essay until August 24th by emailing **Mrs. MacKenna** (mfowler@libertycommon.org). Please check with colleges to which you are applying to see if the essay would be useful for you, as most colleges and universities do not require it. Adding the essay extends the SAT test by about 45 minutes.

School Supplies Available. We received a generous donation of school supplies from CSU's School-Is-Cool program. The program is a community-outreach effort managed and organized by Colorado State University employees. School Is Cool provides essential school supplies to less-fortunate students to make sure they have the tools they need to start the school year off right. If your Liberty students are in need of school supplies, please feel free to stop by the front office and pick up supplies. Office Hours are 8AM-3PM, Monday - Friday.

New Liberty Arrivals.



Mrs. Natalie Scarlett and her husband, **Aaron**, welcomed a son on July 31st. He weighed 7lbs, 13 oz and was born at 7:31 pm. **Imogen** is overjoyed to be a big sister. His name is **Edwyn Alistair Spark Taliesin Scarlett Williams**. Though his arrival was late he was born peacefully and easily at home. He is thoughtful and calm and loved by many. Mrs. Scarlett will be back at Liberty in October to resume teaching. **Ms. Throckmorton** will be subbing for her through the first quarter while she celebrates her new family of four.

Congratulations to the Scarlett Williams family.



Introducing **Logan Kazy**. **Mr. Matt Kazy**, LCS Academic Support Coordinator and his wife **Stephanie** welcomed a new baby boy. He was born early last Friday morning; 8 lbs. and about 20 inches long. Mom and baby are doing fine after an epic delivery, but they haven't yet been released from the hospital. All the same, Matt says he's "one proud papa." Thanks for all your well wishes and love.

School Holidays and Intermissions

School Calendar 2020-2021 School Year

Aug 24 | Classes Begin

May 21 | Last Day of Classes--1/2 Day

School Holidays and Intermissions 2020-2021 School Year

Sep 7 | Labor Day

Oct 23 | Parent/Teacher Conferences

Nov 25-27 | Thanksgiving Break

Dec 21-Jan 1 | Christmas Break

Jan 18 | Rev. Martin Luther King Day

Feb 12 | Professional-Development Day

Feb 15 | President's Day

Mar 15-19 | Spring Break

Apr 2 | Good Friday

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