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Class of 2022 School Motto

2021-2022 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 2021-2022 school year. Be sure to read the entire email and make yourself familiar with its contents.

Our annual registration process will be required prior to school starting. Please watch your email for registration information and the link to complete the process in a timely manner.

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 on August 23rd.

Sincerely,
The LCHS Administration

Message from The Headmaster

Wednesday 11 August 2021

Dear Parents of Liberty Common School,

Leading your children through an enriching summertime of non-school education is a crucial parental imperative; and, I'm grateful for everyone's attention to summer-reading accomplishment, worksheets, and other school-prep activities.



Hopefully, every child also enjoyed plenty of edifying leisure such as playtime, travel, rest, recreation, and family interaction. We'll be back to school very soon – Monday 23 August is only days away!

Liberty Common School's plans for convening the 2021-2022 school year remain on track exactly as described in the communication from our building principals which was recently emailed to all parents, and which is posted at the school's website – [PLEASE CLICK HERE](#).

Expect weekly updates on the school's COVID status, and insight on mitigation. Here are some highlights of our principals' message:

- State- and county-government agents recommend mask wearing in school for all unvaccinated individuals, and those under the age of 12. Parents must direct their children relative to these opinions. The school, as always, respects the prudent judgment of parents.
- Polycarbonate desk masks have been removed from student desks. Other shielding (ex: in the front office) remains installed.
- LCS does not offer remote video access to classrooms, or recorded classes for absent students.
- Enhanced premises cleaning, and sanitization is being sustained.
- In addition to last year's substantial air-system-sanitization improvements made at both campuses, more enhancement has been added over the summer.
- LCS does not require proof of vaccination, or of any private medical records of employees, students, or volunteers (other than those which are already required to be recorded by state law).
- Hand sanitizing, and illness-detection strategies are being sustained.
- Fieldtrips, athletics, and other extramural activities have resumed.
- The absolute necessity of keeping sick and/or symptomatic children out of school will be redundantly communicated, and reinforced in every practical way.

Over the past few days, some have inquired whether recent public announcements by the Poudre School District regarding COVID-related

operational decisions apply to charter-public schools such as Liberty Common School. They do not.

Our school continues to be guided by ongoing public-health communication and guidance of the Larimer County Department of Public Health and Environment, and other government agencies. We also benefit from guidance of qualified, independent medical professionals. Doing so has informed our school in implementing and maintaining multilayered risk-reducing precautions as described in our principals' letter, which make in-person classroom instruction advisable.

LCS's site-based-management advantages allow us to plan for, and adapt to localized student-health situations. For these and other operational reasons, smaller schools – especially pliant ones that implement multilayered precautions, mitigation strategies, and furnish resources similar to the ones Liberty does – are distinctly not being forced by LCDPHE to impede classroom instruction.

If future circumstances compel Liberty's plan to change, I will ensure you are notified immediately in a parent communication similar to this one. For example, should illness, or other health-related precautions dictate classroom closure, or schoolwide quarantining, the school will furnish virtual classroom access to assist parents in educating their homebound children. Questions may be directed to our principals, or me: **Principal Lovely** (grades 7-12) at lovely@libertycommon.org | **Principal Churchill** (grades k-6) at cchurchill@libertycommon.org.

In-person learning is essential. LCS will 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. There is abundant evidence this can be accomplished if we do it carefully – which is my expectation.

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 will continue to pursue extraordinary efforts for accommodation wherever practical.

We in the Poudre School District do an excellent job of assisting parents in choosing their most desirable school setting. We realize, in some cases, LCS might not align perfectly with a family's preferences; and we are happy to assist families in finding their most suitable education option even if that means elsewhere.

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



Liberty Student, Family Face Crisis. LCHS senior and School Captain, **Ezra Black** is facing a very serious health situation. He was recently diagnosed with acute myeloid leukemia (AML), and will be undergoing a challenging treatment plan in the coming months. Please [CLICK HERE](#) to visit a CaringBridge site through which his family is communicating news of Ezra's progress. [CLICK HERE](#) to assist in easing the family's financial strain accrued from treatment. Ezra is a very important part of the LCHS community, and substantially defines the character of our student body. Parents **Kirsten & Vince Black** are fantastic figures in our Liberty Common community, as are Ezra's brothers **Asher** (10th grade), **Obed** (8th grade), **Solomon** (not at LCS), and **Uzziah** (4th grade). More information will be communicated here as it becomes known. In the meantime, please connect through the links herein included.

General Information

[2021-2022 Student-Parent Handbook](#)

[2021-2022 School Calendar 7-12](#)

[Performing Arts Calendar 2021-2022](#)

[Student Activity Fee](#)

[School Fees Information](#)

[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](#)

2021 Torch Trek. The 2021 Torch Trek will be held Fri Aug 20th at the Liberty Common Schools. Students in grades 7th-12th are invited to attend an evening celebration for the rising 7th graders. [CLICK HERE](#) for additional information.

Important Dress-Code Updates

We are excited to introduce the new [Commonsense Dress Code](#) to replace the Choice Dress Code for grades 9-12. It was designed to assist students in developing a professional and prudent mindset in clothing choices for academic and career success. More information about the change can be found in the [Dress-Code Statement](#). There were no changes made to the [School-Wide Dress Code](#) for grades 7-12. A helpful document was also put together for [Dress Standards for Special Occasions](#).

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

[Student Course-Schedule Information](#)

Athletics

Athletic Information. For more information regarding athletics, please visit our website at www.lceagles.com Here you will find all athletics information, news, updates, and more.

This Thursday, August 12th we will host our **All-Sports Celebration**. We will come together to enjoy a Chick-Fil-A dinner, hear from our athletics staff, gain important information about the upcoming season, and meet the coaches. This is for all seasons, and fall sports will hold their parent meeting that night, as well. We will start on the Rickets Piazza (north deck) at 6:00 PM. We hope you can join us for the celebration!

[Fall Sports Registration Info](#)

[Intent to Participate in a sport for another school and early dismissal form](#)

[Updated Fall Sports Information](#)

As we look forward to the start of our 2021-2022 athletics campaigns and enjoy a great start for our fall sports, we want to celebrate the accomplishments of one of our own this summer.



Kade Kreikemeier's hard work and dedication this summer at USAC Mountain Bike Nationals helped him take 26th in the 17-18 XC, 30th in the 17-18 STXC and 2nd place in the first-ever High School Sophomore division. He was a 1/10th of a second off the leader. We know he wanted gold but it sure is awesome to see him wear silver. We couldn't be more proud and inspired by Kade's dedication to this pursuit.

Health

[Health-Office Letter](#)

[Immunization Requirements](#)

[Immunization-Requirement Chart](#)

[When to keep ill child home](#)

Additional Information

[Liberty2Liberty 5K Form](#), [Liberty2Liberty 5K Web Registration](#)

[Yearbook Ordering Information](#)

[Volunteering At Liberty](#)

[Host a Foreign-Exchange Student](#)

[Substitute Interest Form](#)

[Robotics Application for grades 4th-8th Grade](#), [CLICK HERE](#) for more information.

[Robotics Application for High School](#)

Lunch Information. Reminder to bring a cold lunch every day for lunch.

School-Photo Forms. Please bring your Skillman photo orders to picture day Friday, Aug 27th. Students will be getting their pictures taken throughout the school day. [CLICK HERE](#) for more information. It is a free-dress day. *Free-dress day rules apply.*



**2021-2022
LCHS BELL SCHEDULE
FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL**



7:45-9:43	Report to 1st Period Welcome Assembly Emergency Drills School Policies & Protocols	7:45-9:43
9:43-10:13	Period 1	9:43-10:13
10:13-10:17		10:13-10:17
10:17-10:47	Period 2	10:17-10:47
10:47-10:51		10:47-10:51
10:51-11:21	Period 3	10:51-11:21
11:21-11:25		11:21-11:25
11:25-11:55	HOUSE/ORDER LUNCH EAT IN HOUSES/ORDERS	11:25-11:55
11:55-11:59		11:55-11:59
11:59-12:29	Period 4	11:59-12:29
12:29-12:33		12:29-12:33
12:33-1:03	Period 5	12:33-1:03
1:03-1:07		1:03-1:07
1:07-1:37	Period 6	1:07-1:37
1:37-1:41		1:37-1:41
1:41-2:11	Period 7	1:41-2:11
2:11-2:15		2:11-2:15
2:15-2:45	Period 8	2:15-2:45
2:45-2:50		2:45-2:50
2:50-3:15	Period 9 <i>(Meet in Houses & Orders)</i>	2:50-3:15

First Week 9th-Hour Schedule. There will be House and Order meetings throughout the first week of school during 9th Hour instead of extracurricular and extra-help/study-hall sessions. The regular 9th-hour schedule will be published in next week's issue of *Liberty Common Sense*. On Thursday, August 26th during 9th Hour, there will be a club-showcase assembly for junior-high students so they can learn about the fun extracurricular clubs that will be meeting during 9th Hour throughout the year. On Friday, August 27th during 9th Hour, there will be a similar club-showcase assembly for high-school students.



School Supplies Available. We received a generous donation of school supplies from CSU's School-Is-Cool program and Toys for Tots. We have everything from backpacks to composition books, pens, paper, to book covers. If any Liberty student is interested in some school shopping please feel free to stop by the Stoa the high school and pick up supplies. School building hours are 8AM-3PM, Monday - Friday.

Shuttle Transportation. Bus services between LCS and LCHS will begin running the first day of school, August 23rd. Buses will depart LCS at 3:10. Parents, please be prompt when picking up your student(s) at the high school. Signing-up for shuttle transportation can be done when completing on-line student registration.

Schedule Changes. All schedule changes must be finalized by the end of the school day on Friday, August 27th. Any class dropped after Friday will display a W for Withdrawal on a student's permanent transcript. While we are happy to accommodate many reasonable requests, please note that schedule change requests may be denied based on registration numbers in certain classes, prerequisites, and other relevant policies. High-school students should sign up for an in-person meeting with **Dr. Robinson** through [this link](#) to discuss any proposed changes. Schedule-change requests from junior-high students should be directed to [Mrs. MacKenna](#).

Health Information. As we enter a new school year, please remember all student-medication-authorization forms, immunization exemptions, and healthcare-action plans need to be updated annually. You can find all the forms listed on the school's website under "health forms" [here](#). Please contact [Mrs. Dybzinski](#) our school nurse with any questions.

Liberty Common High School

Back-To-School Night

Thursday, September 2, 2021

6:30PM - 8:30PM



Back-To-School Night. It is mission critical for all LCHS parents to attend Back-To-School Night Thursday, September 2, 2021 from 6:30PM – 8:30PM here at the high school. Please help the evening flow smoothly by bringing a copy of your student’s schedule. You will be tracing your student’s steps, meeting his/her instructors, and hearing a brief overview of instructional objectives for the year.

Ambassadors Club Pizza Sales. Pizza will be sold during lunch periods on Fridays throughout the school year. This is one of the Ambassador Club's fundraising efforts for its community-service projects such as visits to the VA Hospital, Respite Care, welcoming new students, etc. Students can purchase pizza by the slice, or whole pizzas.

College Fair. Liberty is hosting our first college fair on Monday, August 30th from 4PM-6PM. This even is open to all grade levels, students, and families. There will be 30 colleges in attendance and the Kona Ice truck will also be on-site for the event. [CLICK HERE](#) for more information.

A promotional banner for a yearbook. On the left is an image of an open book. The background is a light blue gradient. The text "IT'S HERE. IT'S HERE." is written in a white, hand-drawn font. Below it, "THE LOWEST PRICE OF THE YEAR" is written in a smaller, white, sans-serif font. To the right, there is a white rectangular button with the text "BUY A YEARBOOK" in blue. Further right is the "Jostens" logo in a cursive script.

IT'S HERE. IT'S HERE.
THE LOWEST PRICE OF THE YEAR

BUY A YEARBOOK

Jostens

Yearbook Update. Welcome back! We cannot wait to capture the memories of this school year in the 2021-2022 yearbook. While each year brings new classes, teachers and friends, your student’s memories last forever in the yearbook. Take advantage of the lowest price of the year and buy your student’s yearbook today. Purchase personalization and add four free icons. Offer ends August 27th. [CLICK HERE](#) to order your copy today.

Festival of Ideas Student Presentation Contest

Are you an expert in something?

APPLY TO PRESENT AT FESTIVAL OF IDEAS

Win the opportunity to work with Mr. Tullius and Dr. Penning as your personal speech coaches!

APPLICATION
DEADLINE:
Fri. Aug. 27

Request an application
from Mr. Tullius via email.
**APPLY SOON! We moved the
festival up to Oct. 2nd!**

Festival of Ideas Presentations. Festival of Ideas is now moving to the fall. It will be held on Sat 2 Oct 2021 from 9AM-3PM. Any student interested in giving a presentation can send an email to [Mr. Tullius](#) to request an application. The application deadline is Fri 27 Aug 2021, so don't delay, apply today.

Weekend Busser Job Opening. The owner of The Breakfast Club asked if we have any LCHS students looking for some weekend income. The restaurant needs a weekend busser. A handful of LCHS students have worked there in the past. In his recent email prompting this notice, Dave the owner wrote, "You've always sent over great kids." Apply in person at the restaurant – 121 W. Monroe Dr., in Fort Collins.

New Liberty Arrivals



Youngest Rubik's Cube Master. Welcome young **Elias Stefanović**, born 7/14/21 at 3:14PM. His date and time of birth is clearly foreshadowing that he will be a mathematical mastermind, just like his brilliant father. Congratulations to **Brian** and **AnnaGrace** on the birth of a healthy baby boy.

Important Upcoming Dates

Aug 13th | [Ambassadors Club Welcome Party](#), 5:00PM, Ricketts Piazza.
Aug 17th | New JH Student/Parent Orientation, 6:30PM, LCHS Great Hall.
Aug 18th | New High-School Student/Parent Orientation, 6:30PM, LCHS Great Hall.
Aug 19th | [7th- 8th-Grade Water Party](#), 6:00PM, Ricketts Piazza.
Aug 20th | [Torch Trek](#), 5:45PM, LCS Elementary School.
Aug 23rd | First Day of School.
Aug 26th | Board of Directors Meeting, 6:00PM, LCHS Acropolis.
Aug 27th | Student Photos | Free-Dress Day.

School Holidays and Intermissions

Aug 23 | Classes Begin.
Sep 6 | Labor Day.
Sep 24-Oct 8 | October Student Count (state funding is based on attendance during these 2 weeks).
Oct 22 | Parent/Teacher Conferences.
Nov 24-26 | Thanksgiving Break.
Dec 20-Dec 31 | Christmas Break.
Jan 17 | **Rev. Martin Luther King Jr.** Day.
Feb 18 | Professional-Development Day.
Feb 21 | President's Day.
Mar 14-18 | Spring Break.
Apr 15 | Good Friday.
May 20 | Last Day of Classes--1/2 Day.

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