

Liberty High School

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School

Although the program of study is college preparatory, multiple level courses are designed to provide flexibility for individual differences and abilities for students in grades 9-12. Liberty High School uses a seven-period / 50- minute class schedule with an Academic Intervention to enable students to earn seven units of credit a year. Liberty offers students opportunities with programs including A+, Advanced Placement (AP) courses, Alternative Program, Center for Advanced Professional Studies (CAPS), Dual Credit courses, Early College, Lewis and Clark Career Center, Missouri Options, and Project Lead the Way. Students will graduate with a general diploma and the option of receiving academic honors such as cum laude distinctions.

Certified Staff: 98 Enrollment: 1407

Grade 9: 375 Grade 10: 364 Grade 11: 350 Grade 12: 318

District

The Wentzville School District is the fastest growing district in the state of Missouri, adding on average over 600 students each year over the last 16 years. The District currently serves over 17,370 students from a 90 square-mile area who attend grades kindergarten through 12. The Wentzville School District has scored 99.1% out of a possible 100% in the latest Missouri Annual Performance Report. The District's Missouri Assessment Program (MAP) scores have been in the top 11% in the state for the last nine years. The District's commitment to quality education is evidenced by the fact that over 83% of the District's instructional staff hold advanced degrees, and professional development is constantly emphasized among faculty and staff. The District continues to provide an excellent educational program and always looks toward the future, while ADA spending remains the lowest in St. Charles County. Liberty High School is one of three high schools that currently serve District families, with a fourth high school scheduled to open in 2021.

Community -

The Wentzville School District is located in St. Charles County, one of the fastest growing counties in the nation and the fastest growing area in Missouri. The county boasts a good blend of commercial, industrial, and residential growth. It is home to corporate offices and industries such as General Motors (sole producer of GM's full-size van and mid-size truck) and Mastercard Worldwide. The Wentzville School District is geographically located in the western part of the county, 40 miles west of downtown St. Louis and encompasses more than 80,000 residents living in all or parts of Wentzville, Lake St. Louis, Foristell, O'Fallon, and Dardenne Prairie, as well as surrounding rural areas.

Testing .

The State of Missouri requires high school students to participate in the Missouri Assessment Program through the End of Course (EOC) exams. Prior to graduation, students must take EOC exams in English I, Algebra I, Biology, and Government. (If a student took Algebra I EOC in middle school, they are required to take Algebra II EOC before graduating). Juniors are required to take the ACT test. The PSAT/NMSQT is optional for sophomores and juniors.

ACT Results

MEAN Scores						
Class	Students Tested	English	Math	Reading	Science	Composite
2017	278	20.4	20.5	21.7	21.3	21.1
2018	316	21.1	21.2	22.2	21.8	21.7
2019	243	21.9	21.8	23.2	22.3	22.4

GPA and Class Rank

Grades in all courses attempted are counted for the GPA and class rank on a 4.0 scale. Advanced and AP courses are weighted as follows: A=5.0, B=4.0, C=3.0, D=2.0

Grading System

A = 90-100%

B = 80-89%

C = 70-79%

D = 60-69%

* F = 0-59%

* I = Incomplete

Class of 2019

340 Graduates

51% entered 4-year college or university* 31% entered 2-year college or university* 3% entered a career/technical college*

<1% entered the military*

<1% began longterm volunteer service

13% entered the work force*

The 2019 graduating class reported scholarships (including local, college and A+) totaling over \$4.5 million.

*Student reported as of June 2019

Missouri A+ Incentive Program

Liberty High School is one of the elite public high schools in Missouri to be designated by the State Board of Education as an A+ designated high school. Missouri A+ Program graduates have the option to receive a state paid A+ Tuition Incentive Scholarship while attending any public community college or career/technical school in Missouri. A+ Program students must successfully meet the following state requirements to qualify for the A+ Scholarship: Attend an A+ designated high school for at least three years prior to graduation, graduate with an overall unweighted GPA of 2.5 or higher on a 4-point scale, maintain an attendance rate of at least 95% for grades 9-12, exhibit good school citizenship, achieve a qualifying math (EOC/ACT) score, and complete 50 hours of district-supervised volunteer tutoring/job shadowing.

Graduation Requirements -

In order to receive a diploma from Liberty High School, students must earn 25 units of credit and pass examinations on both the U.S. and Missouri Constitutions. At least three credits must be earned from Liberty High School and the student must have been in attendance the semester prior to his or her completion of graduation requirements.

		Total	25 credits
Fine Arts	1 credit	Electives	8 credits
Mathematics	3 credits	Personal Finance	½ credit
Science	3 credits	Health	½ credit
Social Studies	3 credits	Physical Education	1 credit
English	4 credits	Practical Arts	1 credit

Advanced Curriculum -

Liberty High School uses a traditional system with a seven-period day. Courses in several levels of difficulty are available. Weighted courses include: AP Research, AP Seminar, AP U.S. Government, AP U.S. History, AP Art History, AP European History, AP World History, AP English Language and Composition, AP English Literature and Composition, AP Macroeconomics, AP Microeconomics, Pre-Calculus, Calculus, AP Calculus AB & BC, AP Statistics, College Algebra, AP Biology, AP Chemistry, AP Environmental Science, AP Physics I & II, Introduction to Engineering Design, Principals of Engineering, Civil Engineering and Architecture, Digital Electronics, Aerospace Engineering, Engineering Design and Development, CAPS Health Care Academy, Principles of Biomedical Science, Human Body Systems, Medical Intervention, Biomedical Innovations, Independent Science Research, Anatomy & Physiology, AP Psychology, AP French, AP German, AP Spanish, AP Studio Art, Advanced Marketing II, Advanced Marketing, AP Computer Science, Development II, Culinary Arts III, Advanced Accounting, Pathways to Career in Teaching, AP Music Theory, Concert Choir, and 4th Year Band.

Activities

Clubs: Academic Scholar Bowl Team, All of Us Club, Art Club, Associate Student Council (ASC), Band, Chess Club, Come Together, DECA, Diversity Club, Educators Rising, Epsilon Beta, Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA), Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA), Family, Career and Community Leaders Association (FCCLA), Educators Rising, French Club, Gaming Club, German Club, HOSA, Key Club, Link Crew, National Honor Society, Robotics, Science Fair, Spanish Club, Speech and Debate, Student Council, Theater, Technical Student Association (TSA), Vocal Music, Mock Trial.

Interscholastic Teams: baseball, basketball, cheerleading, color guard, cross country, dance team, football, golf, soccer, softball, special sports, swimming, tennis, track, volleyball, winter guard, wrestling

Publications: Liberty High School Talon Yearbook, Liberty Ledger Magazine, Online newspaper (lhstoday.org)

Administrators -

Mr. Ed Nelson, Principal

Mr. Steve Pryor (A-G)*, Assistant Principal Dr. Lindsay Kiely (H-M)*, Assistant Principal Dr. Matt Kiesel (N-Z)*, Assistant Principal Mr. Cary Eldredge, Activities Director Mrs. Alicia Sheffield (A-G)*, Counselor Mr. Chad Cunningham (H-M)*, Counselor, Dept. Chair Mrs. Paige Blackford (N-Z)*, Counselor

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