Extra-Curricular Activities

Liberty Junior High School 2024-2025

Name of	Sponsor/	Duration	Meeting/	Special
Activity	Coach		Time	Notes
Boys'	Mr. Kohlbacher (head)	August-	Daily:	Tryouts are held to determine team members. This team competes against other area teams in the Des Plaines Valley Conference.
Baseball	Mr. Gatton (asst.)	September	2:50 - 4:30pm	
Girls'	Ms. Diaz (head)	August-	Daily:	Tryouts are held to determine team members. This team competes against other area teams in the Des Plaines Valley Conference.
Softball	Ms. Schultz (asst.)	September	2:50 - 4:30pm	
Boys' and Girls' Golf	Mrs. Hartwig (boys) Mr. Cutright (girls)	August- September	2-3 Days Per Week	Tryouts are held to determine team members. Unlimited participation for the first month of the season. The top golfers qualify for the sectional tournament.
Boys'	Mr. Zumpano (7th)	August-	Daily:	Tryouts are held to determine team members. This team competes against other area teams in the Des Plaines Valley Conference.
Volleyball	Mr. Havlin (8th)	October	2:50 - 4:30pm	
Boys' and Girls' Cross Country	Mrs. Mulder (boys) Mrs. Rokas (girls) Mrs. Worden (asst.)	August- October	Monday - Thursday 2:50 - 4:30pm Some Saturdays	Team is made up of fifth through eighth grade students. This team competes against other area teams in the Des Plaines Valley Conference.
Girls'	Mr. Bollini (7th)	September-	Monday - Friday	Tryouts are held to determine team members. This team competes against other area teams in the Des Plaines Valley Conference.
Basketball	Mr. Didier (8th)	December	2:50 - 4:30pm	
Cheerleading	Mrs. Johnson (head) Mrs. Zinkel (asst.)	September- January	2-3 days per Week 2:50 - 4:30pm	Tryouts are held to select squad members who will cheer at Liberty home games and assemblies.
POMS	Ms. Lavin	September- December	1-2 days per Week 2:50 - 4:30pm	Tryouts are held to select squad members who will perform at Liberty home games and assemblies.
Boys'	Mr. Zumpano (7th)	October-	Daily:	Tryouts are held to determine team members. This team competes against other area teams in the Des Plaines Valley Conference.
Basketball	Mr. Bahret (8th)	February	90 min on Average	
Wrestling	Mr. Manzi (head) Mr. Havlin (asst.)	December- March	Daily: 3:30 - 4:45pm	All are welcome to participate. The team is made up of 5th thru 8th grade students. This team competes against other area teams in the Des Plaines Valley Conference.
Girls'	Mr. Zumpano (7th)	December-	Daily:	Tryouts are held to determine team members. This team competes against other area teams in the Des Plaines Valley Conference.
Volleyball	Mrs. Curta (8th)	March	90 min on Average	
Boys' and Girls' Track	Mr. Hence (girls) Mr. Havlin (boys) Mr. Zumpano (asst.) Mr. Bollini (asst.) Mrs. Prodoehl (asst.)	March- May	Daily: 2:50 - 4:30pm	Tryouts are held to determine teams. This team competes against other area teams in the Des Plaines Valley Conference.
Ultimate Frisbee	Mrs. O'Brien	Fall & Spring Sessions	Wednesdays 2:50 - 3:45pm	All are welcome to participate. Club will meet weekly depending on the weather.
Student Council	Mrs. O'Brien Mrs. Patras	September- End of Year	Tuesdays 2x's per Month 2:50 - 3:45pm	All students are welcome to join this group that engages in a wide variety of activities and provides leadership for the student body.
Speech Team	Mr. Jesse	September- November	1-2 Meetings Per Week	All students wanting to represent Liberty in a state drama and speech competition are welcome.
Yearbook/	Ms. Alavarez	September-	Wednesdays	All interested students are encouraged to apply to participate in this club.
Photography Club	Mrs. Rauen	End of Year	2:50 - 3:30pm	
Homework	Mrs. Zettergren	September-	Tuesdays and Thursdays	All are welcome to attend this club where they can receive help on homework.
Club	Mrs. Patras	End of Year	2:50 - 3:30 pm	

Chorus	Mr. Jesse	September- May	2 Days Per Week After School & 1 Before School	All students are welcome to join this group.
Show Choir/ Voices of Freedom	Mr. Jesse	September -May	2-3 Meetings Per Week After School	Members are chosen from Liberty Chorus or by audition.
Mathletes	Mr. Bahret (7th) Mrs. Zettergren (8th)	Dec/Jan - April	One Day per Week 7:15 - 8:15 am	Open to students who enjoy a challenging mathematics competition on both an individual and team level.
Art Club	Ms. Forberg	September - end of year	Tuesdays and Thursdays Bi-Weekly Meetings	All students interested in art are welcome to join. Sessions will be capped at 30 students max.
Jazz Band	Mrs. Clark	September- May	Mon. & Wed. 7:30 - 8:10am	Students need to participate in the NLSD Band to be eligible. No auditions are required.
Allegro Ensemble	Mrs. Darin	September- May	Mon. & Wed. 7:30 - 8:10am	Any students enrolled in NLSD Orchestra are eligible. No auditions are required.
Geography Bee	Mrs. Ferree	November- December	1st Round: 2:50-4:00pm 2nd Round: 5:00-6:00 pm	Both an individual and team competition of geographic knowledge with Martino Jr. High School. A school champion will advance to larger local, and potentially national, competitions.
Scholastic Bowl	Mrs. Ferree	January- April	Weekly: Practice: 2:50-4:00pm Matches 2:50-6:00pm	Tryouts will be held to determine a team that will participate in trivia quiz competitions against neighboring schools.
School Play	Mrs. Styx (head) Mr. Jesse (asst)	January- March	2-3 Times per Week 3:00-5:00pm	Auditions are held in January for the cast of characters for the play. Behind the scenes positions are also available for students not interested in acting.
National Junior Honors Society	Mrs. Clark	Sept-May	1-2 Meetings Per Month 7:30 - 8:15 am	Students who meet specific academic, leadership, and service criteria are invited to join this group.
Morning Math	Mr. Bahret Ms. Bergeron Mrs. Bethman Mr. Billig Ms. Lavin	Sept- May	Monday - Friday 7:30 - 8:15 am	Teachers assist students in understanding concepts taught in math classes. All students are welcome to attend any session. Mon: Billig (Room 120) / Tues: Lavin (Room 100) Wed: Bethman (Room 102) / Thurs: Bergeron (Room 200) Fri: Bahret (Room 118)
Spelling Bee	Mrs. Scaletta	Nov February	1-2 x's per Week TBD	Open to all students. The winner of the school competition competes at the county level if desired.
Bowling Club	Mrs. Hartwig Mr. Cutright	February- April	1x per Week 2:50 - 5:30pm	Open to all students (48 max). Bowlers will compete against each other and then there will be a tournament at the end.
Archery	Mrs. Hartwig	September - October	Tuesdays 2:50 - 4:00pm	Open to all students (40 students max).
Creative Writing Club	Mrs. Carroll	September- May	One Monday per Month 2:50 - 3:50 pm	Open to all students who enjoy writing creatively. Each meeting we share our writing and offer constructive criticism, praise, and advice. Students are encouraged to set individual goals to work on throughout the year.
Game Club	Mrs. Brister	Oet- March	Mondays and Wednesdays October - March 2:50 - 4:00pm	Come play games with your peers. Board games and cards are provided by the school. You may bring a board game from home, or with parent permission, game on your phone, iPad, or gaming system. All games played at school must be school appropriate.
Fishing Club	Mr. Engle	March-May	Tuesdays and Thursdays	Open to all students