

## Extra-Curricular Activities

### Liberty Junior High School

**2025-2026**

<b>Name of Activity</b>	<b>Sponsor/ Coach</b>	<b>Duration</b>	<b>Meeting/ Time</b>	<b>Special Notes</b>
<b>Boys' Baseball</b>	Mr. Kohlbacher (head) Mr. Gatton (asst.)	August-September	Daily: 2:50 - 4:30pm	Tryouts are held to determine team members. This team competes against other area teams in the Des Plaines Valley Conference.
<b>Girls' Softball</b>	Mr. Billig (head) Mrs. Radomski (asst.)	August-September	Daily: 2:50 - 4:30pm	Tryouts are held to determine team members. This team competes against other area teams in the Des Plaines Valley Conference.
<b>Boys' and Girls' Golf</b>	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.
<b>Boys' Volleyball</b>	Mr. Zumpano (7th) Mr. Havlin (8th)	August-October	Daily: 2:50 - 4:30pm	Tryouts are held to determine team members. This team competes against other area teams in the Des Plaines Valley Conference.
<b>Boys' and Girls' Cross Country</b>	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.
<b>Girls' Basketball</b>	Mr. Bollini (7th) Mr. Didier (8th)	September-December	Monday - Friday 2:50 - 4:30pm	Tryouts are held to determine team members. This team competes against other area teams in the Des Plaines Valley Conference.
<b>Cheerleading</b>	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.
<b>Poms</b>	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.
<b>Boys' Basketball</b>	Mr. Zumpano (7th) Mr. Bahret (8th)	October-February	Daily: 90 min on Average	Tryouts are held to determine team members. This team competes against other area teams in the Des Plaines Valley Conference.
<b>Wrestling</b>	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.
<b>Girls' Volleyball</b>	Ms. Hollatz (7th) Mrs. Curta (8th)	December-March	Daily: 90 min on Average	Tryouts are held to determine team members. This team competes against other area teams in the Des Plaines Valley Conference.
<b>Boys' and Girls' Track</b>	Mr. Hence (girls) Mr. Havlin (boys) Mr. Engle (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.
<b>Ultimate Frisbee</b>	Mrs. O'Brien	Fall & Spring Sessions	Wednesdays 2:50 - 3:45pm	All are welcome to participate. Club will meet weekly depending on the weather.
<b>Student Council</b>	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.
<b>Speech Team</b>	Mr. Jesse	September-November	1-2 Meetings Per Week	All students wanting to represent Liberty in a state drama and speech competition are welcome.
<b>Yearbook/ Photography Club</b>	Ms. Alavarez Mrs. Bewanger	September-End of Year	Wednesdays 2:50 - 3:30pm	All interested students are encouraged to apply to participate in this club.
<b>Homework Club</b>	Mrs. Zettergren Mrs. Patras	September-End of Year	Tuesdays and Thursdays 2:50 - 3:30 pm	All are welcome to attend this club where they can receive help on homework.

<b>Chorus</b>	Mr. Jesse	September-May	2 Days Per Week After School & 1 Before School	All students are welcome to join this group.
<b>Show Choir/ Voices of Freedom</b>	Mr. Jesse	September-May	2-3 Meetings Per Week After School	Members are chosen from Liberty Chorus or by audition.
<b>Mathletes</b>	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.
<b>Art Club</b>	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.
<b>Jazz Band</b>	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.
<b>Allegro Ensemble</b>	Mrs. Darin	September-May	Mon. & Wed. 7:30 - 8:10am	Any students enrolled in NLSD Orchestra are eligible. No auditions are required.
<b>Geography Bee</b>	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.
<b>Scholastic Bowl</b>	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.
<b>School Play</b>	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.
<b>National Junior Honors Society</b>	Ms. McEttrick	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.
<b>Morning Math</b>	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)
<b>Spelling Bee</b>	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.
<b>Bowling Club</b>	Ms. Baumann 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.
<b>Archery</b>	Mrs. Hartwig	September - October	Tuesdays 2:50 - 4:00pm	Open to all students (40 students max).
<b>Creative Writing Club</b>	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.
<b>Game Club</b>	Mrs. Brister	Oct- 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.
<b>Fishing Club</b>	Mr. Engle	March-May	Tuesdays and Thursdays	Open to all students