



Sherriff's Corner



Deputy Ron Nye

Topic for May/June: Social Networking. With today's technology, the World Wide Web

can be accessed from anywhere. However, the convenience of our students having cell phones can also get them into trouble. Someone can be arrested for such things as harassment (RCW 9A.46.020), telephone harassment (RCW 9.61.230 and 9.61.240), and cyber-stalking (RCW 9.61.260). People communicate to one another via texting, Instagram, and Facebook, to name a few. This technology can be a powerful tool if used properly. On the other hand, improper use allows people to say things to others that they may not say to their face. As parents, we owe it to our kids to teach them the proper way to use technology so that they don't get themselves into trouble. Once the "send" button is pushed, there is no getting it back. As a good rule of thumb, if grandma or mom wouldn't approve of what you are sending, then don't send it! On a final note, if your child is having bullying issues in any of these areas outside of school, and as the parent you can't make it stop, please contact me so I can make it stop. My department e-mail is rgnye@spokanesherriff.org or call my department voicemail at (509) 477-3174.

The Liberty Lancer

May/June 2013

Message from the Superintendent

A Backward Glance

Another school year is about to come to a close, and with it many positive accomplishments by our staff and students. Listed below are some highlights in the rearview mirror:

- The District earned an energy grant from the state to replace outdated lighting and mechanical controls at both schools. This included lighting in both gyms, as well as classrooms, hallways and the football field. As a result Inland Power awarded Liberty with a sizeable rebate check that will be used for utilities.
- The outdated fire alarm systems at both schools were replaced through safety grants from the state at no cost to the District or taxpayers.
- The junior high boys football team ended its season undefeated and with no points scored against its defense.
- The State Board of Education's Accountability Index ranked the high school on tier 5 (exemplary) and the elementary/junior high on tier 3 (good) for improvements in meeting new rigorous state standards.
- Technology Director Parrish Reedy and the District were honored by the Northeast Educational Service District for our outstanding technology program and equipment provided through the technology levies our taxpayers approve every three years.
- Liberty High School Principal Aaron Fletcher was named Principal of the Year in the Northeast 2B League. He was also elected as president-elect by the Association of Washington School Principals for the secondary level.
- Liberty High's winter cheer squad was the Academic State Champion for WIAA.
- Two Lancer wrestlers qualified for state. Kain Feltwell finished second and Kaleb Hafner took fifth.
- Liberty FFA will be sending multiple teams to state this spring at WSU. Any team placing first at state will go to the national convention at Indianapolis, IN.
- Liberty FBLA sent multiple competitors to the state competition. One team will be competing this summer at Anaheim, CA.
- Shareena McGregor won the Veterans of Foreign Wars essay contest and may qualify for the national competition.
- Liberty students raised almost \$1,000 for the American Heart Association.
- The Lancer Spanish Club will be taking students to Spain in June.
- Liberty now has internet access through a fiber optics network by a wireless system on the water tower connected to Tower Mountain.



Mr. Fletcher, Mr. Harkness and Mr. Hardie accept a state achievement award for language arts. Liberty was one of 20 high schools in our ESD to receive this recognition.

As a district we continue to strive for excellence by making the changes necessary to make our schools strong and to maximize student achievement. We look forward to serving the children of our community as a new school year kicks off in the fall.

Liberty Lancer

The Liberty Lancer is published during the academic year by Liberty School District. The Lancer is published to provide current information about school district sponsored and co-sponsored events, student and educator recognition, as well as other news of interest to our school community.

Comments, questions or suggestions should be sent to the Superintendent.

May/June 2013

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Upcoming Board Meetings

All meetings are held at 7:00 PM
in the Elementary/Junior High Library

Thursday, May 23

Thursday, June 27

Thursday, July 25

Tuesday, August 27

Liberty Elementary & Junior High

Elementary Excellence Awards

for April



Congratulations to our citizens of the month for April: (bottom row, l-r) Courtney Fenn, Jacqueline Reedy, Brooklynn Shelton, Brody Hofmann, Ellie Fisk, Cheyanne Rinker, (top row, l-r) Mekenzie Pestana, Logan Smith, Robyn Garcia, Catherine Brown, Aleena Cook.

Mrs. Buys' Class to Tour Grand Coulee Dam May 20

Three years ago Tiffany Buys enrolled in a two-week touring course on energy and agriculture in Washington State. Through this opportunity she developed dynamic units for her science and social studies program surrounding the construction of Grand Coulee Dam and the Banks Lake irrigation project.

The culminating event for these units is a private behind-the-scenes tour of the dam and new powerhouse. Transportation costs for this trip are split between the school and the Junior Boosters.



K-8 Dates to Remember

MAY

- 1 Mom's Muffin Day
- 2 Science Fair
- 7 Teacher Appreciation Day
- 8 MSP Testing
- National School Nurse Day
- 9 MSP Testing
- 10 Midterm
- 11 Jr. Lilac Parade
- 12 Mother's Day
- 13 2-Hour Late Start
- 14 MSP Testing
- Jr. Boosters Meeting, 7pm
- 15 MSP Testing
- 16 College Color Day
- 17 Fun Run, 2pm
- 20-29 MAP Testing
- 20 4th Grade to Grand Coulee Dam
- 21 8th Grade HS Orientation, 6pm
- 22 K-4 Spring Concert, 7pm
- 27 Memorial Day—NO SCHOOL
- 28 7-12 Chorus Concert, 7pm

JUNE

- 5 Grades 1-6 Field Trip to Roller Valley/Brown Park
- 8th Grade Promotion, 7pm
- 6 Kindergarten Celebration, 1pm
- 8th Grade Trip to Silverwood
- 7 Last Day of School, 10:25 dismissal
- End of 4th Quarter
- 12 School Office Closed after Today

Junior High Excellence Awards

Term 3 Honor Roll



8th Grade Honor Roll – Term 3

(l-r, top to bottom) Dustin Dumaw, Devin Billington, Allysha Hubbard, Kyle DeGon, Thomas Canning, Chase Burnham, Madelynne Flaig, Christine Denny, Matt DeGon, Jacob Harrington, Patrick Paredes, Garrett Spurrell, Kristin Ince. Not pictured: Elizabeth Brown



8th Grade 4.0 GPA – Term 3
Kathryn Fairfield, Abby Karlis



**Academic Students of the Quarter
Term 3**

Tyson Schenk, Anastasiya Pyankova,
Devin Billington, Kathryn Fairfield



Most Improved GPA – Term 2 to Term 3

Pictured above (l-r): John St. Pierre
Charlie Killstrom
Holly Jones
Beau Braseth



7th Grade Honor Roll – Term 3



7th Grade 4.0 GPA – Term 3
(l-r, top to bottom) Breydon Doubet, Thomas Redder, Austin Rambo, Tyson Schenk, Savannah Mather

(At left, l-r, top to bottom) Matthew Burley, Anastasiya Pyankova, Emilee Crump, Daysia Feltwell, Grace Campbell, Alec Fletcher, Brandon Holling, Marybelle Buck, Michaela Tee, Lindsay Stern, Glen Johnson, Taz Porter, Jada Schulken. Not pictured: Brett Watson

Liberty High School

MAP Testing

Measures of Academic Progress™ (MAP), determine your student's instructional level and measure academic growth throughout the school year in the areas of math and reading. The third round of MAP testing began on May 6.

MAP tests are unique in that they adapt to be appropriate for your child's level of learning. As a result, each student has the same opportunity to succeed and maintain a positive attitude toward testing. With MAP testing, we can administer shorter tests and use less class time while still receiving detailed, accurate information about your student's growth.

During the testing week, your student will spend a total of about 2 hours completing the reading and math tests.

End of Course Exams

The math and biology state testing schedule has been set for Liberty High School. Students have been notified as to which math and/or biology exam they will be taking. Our staff at the high school has done a wonderful job preparing our students for these exams.

EOC Testing Schedule:

Algebra I EOC	May 21	8:30-11:30
Integrated Algebra	May 22	8:30-11:30
Biology EOC	May 23	8:30-11:30
Integrated Geometry	May 29	8:30-11:30
Geometry EOC	May 30	8:30-11:30



Liberty FFA will hold its annual plant sale May 6 & 7 from 7:30-5:00 each day. The money from this fundraiser helps pay for students to attend the State FFA Convention in Pullman and travel to the Washington Leadership Conference and/or National FFA Convention. For more information, please contact our FFA advisor Mr. Kimble at ext. 1200.



Students of the Quarter

Last quarter teachers at the high school nominated the following students for student of the quarter. Freshmen: Kaleb Hafner, Frank James, Kaitlyn Rambo, Justice Schuman. Sophomores: Jeremy Branon, Alaina Curl, Eric Erickson, Jack Simmons. Juniors: Katelyn Marcure, Cassie Russell, Joseph Ryan, Gabe Saywers, Breanna Thieren. Seniors: Holly Cockle, Jenna Galler, Zach Kunkel, Lynnzie Paulson, Kasey Spurrell.

Congratulations to Kaitlyn Rambo, Jeremy Branon, Alaina Curl, Joseph Ryan and Holly Cockle (*pictured below, l-r*), as they were selected as Students of the Quarter. Each student was awarded a plaque for his or her accomplishment.



FFA State Congratulations to our FFA teams for their performances at the District CDE competition held March 27th at Liberty High School. Liberty



qualified the following teams for the State competition in Pullman May 9 - 11. Parliamentary Procedure team (1st place)—members include Brittany Breidenbach, Mikayla Cornwall, Aly Tee, Kaitlyn Rambo, Holly Cockle, and Macy Cornmesser. Ag Issues team (1st place)—members include Kyle O'Malley, Blake Marsh, Ryan Thayer, Macy Cornmesser, Brittany Breidenbach, Mikayla Cornwall, and Aly Tee. Rituals team (1st place)—members include: Kaitlyn Rambo, Bridgette Roll, Nathan Burley, Garrett Green, Marin Ottmar, and Meghan Grumbly. In individual events, Shareena McGregor earned 1st place in Public Speaking; and Marin Ottmar earned 1st place in Creed.

Freshman Orientation May 21 at 6:00 PM we will welcome the incoming freshmen with our new freshman orientation meeting. This will be an informative meeting where parents/guardians will learn about new graduation requirements and HSPE and EOC testing information, as well as receive class schedules and updated sports information for the high school. If you or someone you know would like information about becoming a new student at Liberty High School, please contact our office secretary Dianna Harrington at ext. 1227.

Graduation Please join us June 1 at 1:00 PM in the high school gym to recognize Liberty High School's class of 2013. All students have worked extremely hard at meeting this goal in their life. Many of them will continue their education at numerous colleges around the area.



The following students will be graduating with honors, which is a cumulative GPA of 3.5 or higher and completing honors courses: Valedictorian Cassandra Sperlich, Salutatorian Cassandra Fairfield, and other honors students Lynnzie Paulson, Brittany Breidenbach, Zach Kunkel, Mikayla Cornwall, Kaitlin St. Pierre, Kaitlyn Turnbough, Danielle Hollenbeck and Peter Schaffner. Congratulations, seniors! We are proud of you; best of luck in your future.

Upcoming Events



MAY

- 1-4 FFA Junior Livestock Show
- 6 MAP Testing FFA Plant Sale
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- 8 AP Calculus Exam
- 9 FFA State AP English Exam
- 10 FFA State AP English Exam MAP Testing
- 11 FFA State
- 13 Late Start
- 16 Senior Project Presentations College Color Day
- 17 NHS/FBLA Silverwood
- 18 Lilac Parade
- 21 Freshman Orientation Algebra I EOC
- 22 Integrated Algebra EOC
- 23 Biology EOC
- 27 No School
- 28 Choir Concert Senior Finals
- 29 Drama Club Play Integrated Geometry EOC Senior Finals
- 30 Geometry EOC

JUNE

- 1 Graduation
- 3 Finals periods 1 and 5
- 4 Finals periods 2 and 4
- 5 Finals periods 3 and 6
- 7 Last day of school
- 8 ACT @ Liberty
- 12 School office closes