

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 enables students to earn seven units of credit a year, using a modified block schedule. The Wentzville School District 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: 123Enrollment:1,677Grade 9: 422Grade 10: 442Grade 11: 398Grade 12: 415

District

The Wentzville School District was the fastest growing district in the state of Missouri for two decades, adding on average more than 500 students each year over the last 20 years. The District currently serves over 17,600 students from a 90 square-mile area who attend grades kindergarten through 12. The District's Missouri Assessment Program (MAP) scores have been in the top 13% in the state for the last twelve years. The District's commitment to quality education is evidenced by the fact that 85% 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 among the lowest in St. Charles County. Liberty High School is one of four high schools that currently serve District families.

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 the Mastercard Global Operations Center. 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 II, Algebra I, Biology, and Government (if a student took Algebra I EOC in middle school, they are required to take the Algebra II EOC before graduating). Juniors are recommended to take the ACT test. The PSAT/NMSQT is optional for sophomores and juniors. The ASVAB is optional for sophomores, juniors, and seniors.

ACT Results: The results posted are the MEAN scores for all testers in grades 9-12 in a given school year.

Year	Students Tested	English	Math	Reading	Science	Composite
2020-2021	373	22.9	23.2	24.6	23.8	23.7
2021-2022	321	22.6	22.2	23.9	23.3	23.1
2022-2023	391	21.5	22.1	23.1	23.2	22.6

GPA and Class Rank

Grades in all courses attempted are counted for the GPA. 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%

D = 60-69%

* F = 0-59%

* I = Incomplete

Class of 2023

361 Graduates

41% entered 4-year college or university* 20% entered 2-year college or university* 2% entered a career/technical college*

1% entered the military*

6% entered the workforce* 30% undecided or no response*

The 2023 graduating class reported scholarships (including local, college and A+) totaling over \$5.8 million.

*Student reported as of June 2023

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 two 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. The Class of 2023 produced 99 A+ Scholarship-eligible graduates.

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	1⁄2 credit
Social Studies	3 credits	Physical Education	1 credit
English	4 credits	Practical Arts	1 credit

Advanced Curriculum

Liberty High School enables students to earn seven units of credit a year, using a modified block schedule. Courses in several levels of difficulty are available. Weighted courses include:

AP Research, AP Seminar, AP U.S. Government & Politics, AP U.S. History, AP Art History, AP European History, AP World History, AP Language and Composition, AP 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, Computer Science & Software Engineering, Principals of Engineering, Civil Engineering and Architecture, Digital Electronics, Aerospace Engineering, Engineering Design and Development, Principles of Biomedical Science, Human Body Systems, Medical Intervention, Biomedical Innovations, Independent Science Research, Anatomy & Physiology, AP Psychology, AP French, AP Spanish, AP Studio Art, Advanced Marketing, Marketing II, AP Computer Science A, Child 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, Color Guard, Class Officers, Come Together, DECA, Diversity Club, Educators Rising, Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA), Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA), Family, Career and Community Leaders Association (FCCLA), Coding Club, French Club, Gaming Club, German Club, HOSA, Key Club, LHS Choir, Link Crew, Math Club, Mock Trial, National Honor Society, Publications, Robotics, Spanish Club, Speech and Debate, Spirit Squad, Student Council, Theater, Tower Garden Club.

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 (Ihstoday.org)

Administrators

Dr. Ed Nelson, Principal

Mr. Steve Pryor (A-E)*, Assistant Principal Dr. Lindsay Kiely (F-K)*, Assistant Principal Dr. Matt Kiesel (L-R)*, Assistant Principal Mr. Stan Schumacher (S-Z)*, Assistant Principal Mr. Cary Eldredge, Activities Director Mrs. Alicia Sheffield (A-E)*, Counselor Mr. Chad Cunningham (F-K)*, Counselor, Dept. Chair Mrs. Mary Ellen Riley (L-R)*, Counselor Mrs. Paige Blackford (S-Z)*, Counselor Mrs. Shelley Gerringer, A+ Coordinator, College & Career Planning Counselor