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*Liberty School District will equip the whole student with knowledge,
skills, and character to achieve personal success as they “Soar to
Excellence.”*

Board Meeting Agenda for October 23, 2017, at 6:30 p.m. in the Chorus Room.

1. Routine Consent Agenda:
 - A. Approval of the Agenda
 - B. Approval of the following Minutes:
Regular board meeting on September 20, 2017
 - C. Approval of the Bills, Payroll, Treasurer's Report, and Additional Bills presented at the meeting
 - D. Approval of the Financial Summary Report
 - E. Approval of the Food Service Report
 - F. Approval of the Activity Report
2. Consent Agenda
 - A. Approve the Second Reading and adoption of Press Policy
 - B. Approve the Application for Recognition of Schools for 2017-18
 - C. Approve the School Improvement Goals for 2017-18
3. Board Discussion and Action
 - A. Approve the Lease-purchase of Chromebooks for 3-5th grade.
 - B. Approve the participation of students in IHSA bowling.
4. Personnel Report:
 1. Approve Shelia Oberling as the Pre-K Program Assistant for two days a week.
 2. Approve Paul Fessler as Assistant Coach for Junior High Girls' Basketball for 2017-18.

Soar to Excellence. Every student, Every day!

Superintendent's Comments:

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So far this year, we are off to a great start with our Professional Learning Communities. The 2:00 dismissal on Wednesdays has allowed grade levels and subject area teachers to meet and discuss student performance and curricular items. Elementary visited a school to see how they conduct PLC in order for us to become experts on this new collaborative, learning opportunity. Homework Lab is going well, as several athletes stay to work on homework before practice. There is even a yoga class being taught to the basketball players at that time.

Positive Behavior and Intervention Supports (PBIS)

Both elementary and secondary schools are getting geared up to either implement or revise current PBIS initiatives. The goal is to teach positive behavior. In other words, instead of telling students to behave, what does that look like? For instance, on the playground, it means to take turns, go down the slide feet first, stay far away from the front or back of the swings, use nice words, follow the rules of the game demonstrating good sportsmanship, refrain from arguing, pick up all equipment and put it away when recess is over, etc. So many adults assume students know what is expected for behavior throughout the school day. However, we need to define it, model it, and embrace it. This is complimentary to 7 Habits and leadership.

All of these programs are delivered in one articulated fashion to help students demonstrate appropriate behavior, provide a positive school climate, and enhance a culture of learning. We want to educate the whole child, and to guide and mentor them to be good human beings. Also, this will help our students do better academically, for when students have all aspects of their life in order, learning is more focused and productive. This enables Liberty School to have a culture of learning.

Marching Band Concert

The marching band concert was held on October 11th. Great job to the students and Mrs. Duffy! Of course, the drumline was amazing!! What I noticed most is how excited and proud Mrs. Duffy is about the progress her students are making. Also, Mrs. Thorsen was there and bragged on her chorus students. How nice to see the music be one big department!

Dessert Cabaret

The chorus hosted the annual dessert cabaret on October 20th. Several students had solo parts. Wow, that was great to see! How courageous it is to sing in front of a group of people! Nice job to both the junior high and high school chorus members!

Congratulations!

Congratulations goes out to our junior high cross country teams for doing outstanding at State! There was a very nice write-up in the Liberty Bee about this. Keep up the great work athletes!!!

Way to go!

Way to go to all our other athletes so far this year, as you represented Liberty so well— Congrats to Junior High Girls Softball, Junior High Boys Baseball, Golf team, and High School Volleyball. Keep playing hard in the future!

Wow, we have amazing students!

Congratulations to Jacob May for his success in the Spartan Race this summer. All of our junior high martial arts students successfully tested for their orange belt. FFA has quite a few awards for individuals and team at both the sectional and state-level. In music, the band placed 3rd at the GP parade, 2nd at the Barry Apple Festival in both parade and drums. Katelyn Hummel made the Quincy Symphony Youth Orchestra.