



# THE LIBERTY LIONS



2017—2018 2nd Qtr. Parent Newsletter



## Principal's Corner

Happy Holidays Lion's!

It is hard to believe that our first semester is coming to an end. It has been an incredible year so far and we know great things are yet to come. As the end of the first semester winds down, we begin to look into the New Year and all of the excitement that happens during the second semester at a high school. When we return from December break, we will be getting full swing into building student schedules for the 2018-19 school year. Course registration will begin in mid-January and our counselors will be visiting our middle schools to get our incoming freshman registered. We will also be having our freshman check-in with our Lions Crew at the end of the month. Please check our website for updates on all the activities happening at Liberty next semester as it get to be a very busy time of year.

Our science program in our district is changing for the 2018-19 school year. Due to the changes in our state standards, we will be replacing our Earth Science, Biology, Chemistry, Chemistry in the Community and Physics classes. Those courses will be combined into three new courses called The Living Earth (life science), Chemistry in the Earth's System (physical science), and Physics in the Universe (physical science). All three courses will be a-g lab sciences for students. More information will be coming out during course registration.

We hope everyone is able to get some rest and spend time with their families this holiday season.

Happy Holidays!

*Heather Harper*

Principal, Liberty High School

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

2017—2018 2ND QTR.

- **December 22—January 5**  
Winter Break
- **Quarter 3 Begins**  
January 8th—Traditional Day
- **December 10**  
PD Day—9:25am Late Start
- **December 15**  
No School
- **January 24**  
PD Day—9:25am Late Start
- **January 26**  
Liberty Idol—PAC 7:00pm
- **February 14**  
PD Day—9:25am Late Start
- **February 16 & 19**  
No School
- **February 24**  
Musical in PAC 7:00 pm
- **February 28**  
PD Day—9:25am Late Start
- **March 7**  
PD Day—9:25am Late Start
- **March 29—April 2, 2018**  
Spring Break

# College & Career

## Your Resource Center

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**Seniors: The Local Scholarship application** is now available on the school website. Please go to the Student Info tab and then to the College & Career Center page to access the application. Any questions, please see Mrs. Perkins or Ms. Salinas in the College & Career Center (B-3). The application is due on or before 2/2/18 by 4:00 pm.

**Mock (Practice) ACT/SAT Combo Test** will be held on Saturday, 2/3/18 at 8:30 am in the school Library. This is GREAT practice for juniors who will soon begin taking the actual SAT or ACT exams for their college application process. Sophomores are also allowed to take this exam. The exam will show which type of test a student scores the highest on and thus, which type of exam the student should pursue when taking the actual SAT or ACT exams. Test fee is only \$20.00. Fee waivers are also available upon request from the College & Career Center. Sign-ups will begin in the Student Store in early January.

**PSAT 10**- 10th Graders-March 7, 2018. Please check with the College & Career Center to see if you have previously signed up at either walk-thru or at the recent Naviance workshops held in the gym during the students PE classes. The District is paying for 10th grade students to take this exam. If not signed up, please make sure to see Mrs. Perkins or Ms. Salinas in B-3 to sign up before January 24, 2018.

**Seniors: LMC Orientation & Application Workshops:** The College & Career Center will be hosting LMC application workshops on 2/21, 2/26, 2/27 & 3/1 at 1:30 & 3:00 pm in the Career Center. Sign-ups for the workshops will begin in early February. The LMC assessment testing workshops will be held on 4/3, 4/4 & 4/9 at 1:30 & 3:00 pm as well. The sign-ups for the assessment testing will take place at the application workshops. For any questions, please feel free to contact the College & Career Center.

# LHS College & Career

Your Resource Center

**PSAT Results Seminar:** Wednesday, January 10<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 am – 9:15 am in the PAC. This is a PD day, so students will need to arrive on campus by 8:00 am. Notices will be sent to the students in class during the school day on Tuesday, 1/9 to remind them to attend this important event. Students who took the PSAT in October will receive their paper test scores along with their original test booklet, and will attend a presentation regarding the results and what their scores mean. Additional testing tips and college preparation information will also be provided to the students.

ACT Tests Dates	
Register online @ <a href="http://www.actstudents.org">www.actstudents.org</a>	
SAT Date	Registration Deadline
September 9, 2017	August 4, 2017
October 28, 2017	September 22, 2017
December 9, 2017	November 3, 2017
February 10, 2018 *	January 12, 2018
April 14, 2018	March 9, 2018
June 9, 2018	May 4, 2018
July 14, 2018 *	June 15, 2018

SAT Reasoning and Subject Tests	
Register online @ <a href="http://www.sat.collegeboard.org">www.sat.collegeboard.org</a>	
SAT Date	Registration Deadline
August 26, 2017	July 28, 2017
October 7, 2017	September 8, 2017
November 4, 2017	October 5, 2017
December 2, 2017	November 2, 2017
March 10, 2018	February 9, 2018
May 5, 2018	April 6, 2018
June 2, 2018	March 3, 2018



# COUNSELING CORNER

DECEMBER 2017

Ms. Abono

Mr. Anderson

Ms. Bigler

Ms. Magaña

Ms. Silva

## College Bound Sophomores

Sign up in the Career Center to take the PSAT 10

Test Date: 3/7/18

Registration Deadline: Must register by Jan 24.

Cost: Free of charge for 10th grade students.

The **PSAT 10** is a "Practice SAT" that is used to measure a sophomore's skills and knowledge learned along with college readiness.

Why take **PSAT 10**??

- PSAT 10 shows your strengths and weaknesses in mathematics, reading, writing and language.
- PSAT 10 personalizes your Khan Academy profile to help with practice and preparation for the SAT based on your results.
- PSAT 10 helps you identify what AP courses you may want to consider.



## NAVIANCE:

In November, Counselors worked with 9th & 10th graders utilizing our online Naviance College/Career program.

9th graders were able to investigate their personality strengths, while 10th graders used their previously learned personality strengths to investigate potential career options.

[connections.naviance.com/libertyh](http://connections.naviance.com/libertyh)

## Financial Aid for Seniors

Need help paying for college?

Be sure to apply for the following

- **FAFSA** "Free Application for Federal Student Aid" Applications can be submitted through March 2nd [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov)
- Create a Web Grant account [www.mycalgrantinfo.csa.ca.gov](http://www.mycalgrantinfo.csa.ca.gov) by March 2nd.
- **Local Scholarship Application** Applications can be due no later than 2/2/18 by 4 PM in the College and Career Center. The application can be found online: <https://ca01001129.schoolwires.net/Page/4617>
- **Other Scholarships** Check out the College & Career Center page on our school website under "scholarships" or stop by the College & Career Center least twice a month for new scholarship opportunities.



## Course Registration for the 2018-2019 school year

Our course registration for the 2018-2019 school year will be designated by grade on the following dates: 1/23 current Juniors, 1/24 current Freshmen and 1/25 current Sophomores.

During our presentations students will receive information about classes required to meet graduation and college entrance requirements. Student will also receive information about our academy offerings.

This year we will continue online course registration. We recommend that as a family you take time to review our course catalog prior to selecting classes to ensure that your child signs up for the most appropriate classes that help support his/her educational interests and goals. Our course catalog will be available through the Liberty High School website.



## Summer School

If your child has failed a core course required to meet graduation requirements, it's recommended to attend summer school to work toward recovering missing credits.

Our summer school applications are expected to become available by the end of January. Summer school availability is on a first come, first served basis. Applications will be available in every Den office and on our school's website.



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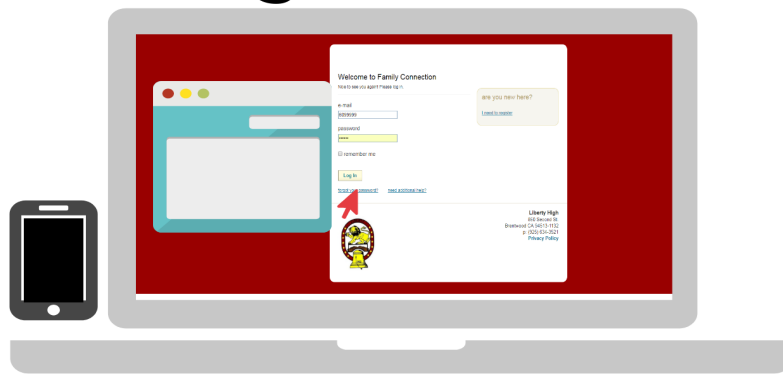
Don't hesitate to see your counselor for personal, academic or college and career related questions. We are here to support you and your goals!

# NAVIANCE FAMILY CONNECTION

COLLEGE AND CAREER EXPLORATION TOOL



**Naviance Family Connection is a college and career readiness tool to help get students thinking about their options after high school**



**Each year students will complete a counselor led assessment and activity in Naviance to explore careers and colleges. Students can also independently explore scholarship information, college information, build a resume, explore careers, and save their findings to their profile.**

**Students and parents can login to Naviance Family Connection at home to explore resources and colleges**

#### How to Login:

- Go to <https://connection.naviance.com/libertyh>
- Student Login:
  - Username: Student ID Number
  - Password: Birthday YYYYMMDD
- Parent login information will be emailed home soon

If you are experiencing problems with Naviance you can contact Mr. Anderson [andersonk@luhsd.net](mailto:andersonk@luhsd.net)



**TLC** Academy Winter Social was 12/7 at the Brentwood On Ice.

We had an Informational Lunch Meeting on 12/14 for frosh and soph who were interested in learning more about TLC.

We had our TLC Academy Mock Job Fairs on December 18th and 20th. Senior Interns dressed up in career attire and was interviewed by local principals, assistant principals and HR people.

**HOW TO BE A SUPERHERO**

**JOIN THE TLC ACADEMY**

**ATTAIN HOURS OF WORKPLACE EXPERIENCE**

**ACHIEVE CONFIDENCE IN PUBLIC SPEAKING**

**MAKE NEW AND LASTING FRIENDSHIPS**

**EARN COLLEGE CREDIT**

**FIELD TRIPS**

**WRITE YOUR RESUME**

**DO INTERNSHIPS WHILE IN HIGH SCHOOL**

**GAIN VALUABLE INSIGHT INTO CAREERS IN EDUCATION**

**VISIT SEVERAL COLLEGE CAMPUSES**

**FOLLOW TLC ON TWITTER @LHS\_TLCACADEMY**

**FOLLOW TLC ON INSTAGRAM @LHS\_TLCACADEMY**

*For information please see academy coordinators Ms. Aldana in N14 or Mrs. Cailotto in D1*

**TLC ACADEMY**  
@LHS\_TLCACADEMY

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## "Leader of the Pride"

This year, the Leadership Athletics Commissioners (Kobina Arkaah, Liana Chavez, Cameron McNeely, Emily Muniz & Colten Power) wanted to start a new tradition by which we honor athletes who have shown extraordinary leadership skills during the sports season. Thus, they created the award. Each fall sports coach nominated the student on their team who had the ability to bring others together, promote teamwork and unity, and build up a team when they're down. They were those who embodied the "heart of a Lion."

### Fall 2017 Athletics Leader of the Pride honorees

Kobina Arkaah, Varsity Football

Emma Benavidez, JV Girls Water Polo

Alex Brantome, Varsity Volleyball

Micah Delgado, Varsity Boys X-Country

Tyler Dumond, JV Boys X-Country

Ezra Holmes, JV Football

Marlena Madrigal, Freshmen Volleyball

Madi MacPherson, Varsity Girls X-Country

Courtney Martin, Varsity Tennis

Maraea Melander, Varsity Girls Water Polo

Zach Perry, JV Boys Water Polo

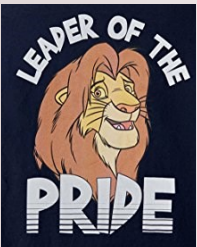
Bertha Price, JV Tennis

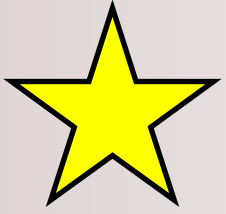
Ryan Raimondi, Freshmen Football

Christina Sisneroz, JV Volleyball

Kaitlynn Stoffregen, Golf

Lauren Walrond, JV Girls X-Country





# UNIFIED SOCCER





LIBERTY HIGH SCHOOL  
STAFF AND FACULTY GETTING IN  
THE SPIRIT OF HALLOWEEN



DEN 4 SHOWING THEIR SPIRIT



Our Counseling team Bigler, Magana', Silva, Abono, Anderson



"B" Building's Alice in Wonderland



Many great costumes were worn by teachers and staff





Some creative designs by Mr. Jacob Edward's two beginning 3D Design classes were displayed during Halloween for viewing by all.



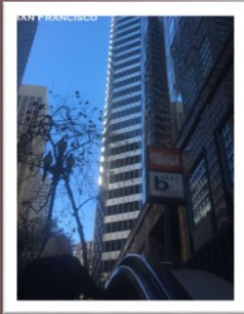
**Liberty High School's Career Technical Education Culinary students in FHA/HERO (FCCLA) were on the move December 4<sup>th</sup> in San Francisco.**

**The students experienced life in the Bay Area!**

They took the 300 Express Bus and then onto Pittsburg BART



from Brentwood to Pittsburg Bart, to Market Street!



**Next stop was the SF Hyatt,**

where they saw Hospitality and Tourism up-close in their festive holiday atrium,



## ***Lunch at SF Market Street's Ferry Building Terminal***

Students explored the different kiosks and stores tasting –honey, mushrooms, sea food, chocolate, shopping in the vegetable and fruit markets, bakeries restaurants and more.

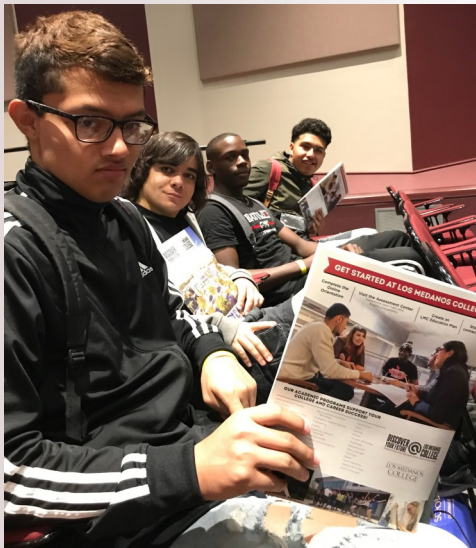
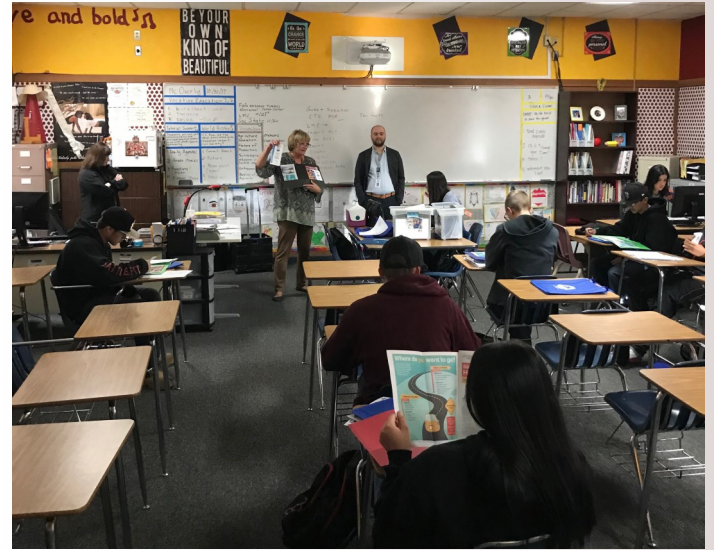


*Before heading home, **the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco tour!** They learned about the Federal Reserve System as the central bank of the USA and the functions to promote effective operations of our U.S. economy and, more generally, the public interest.*

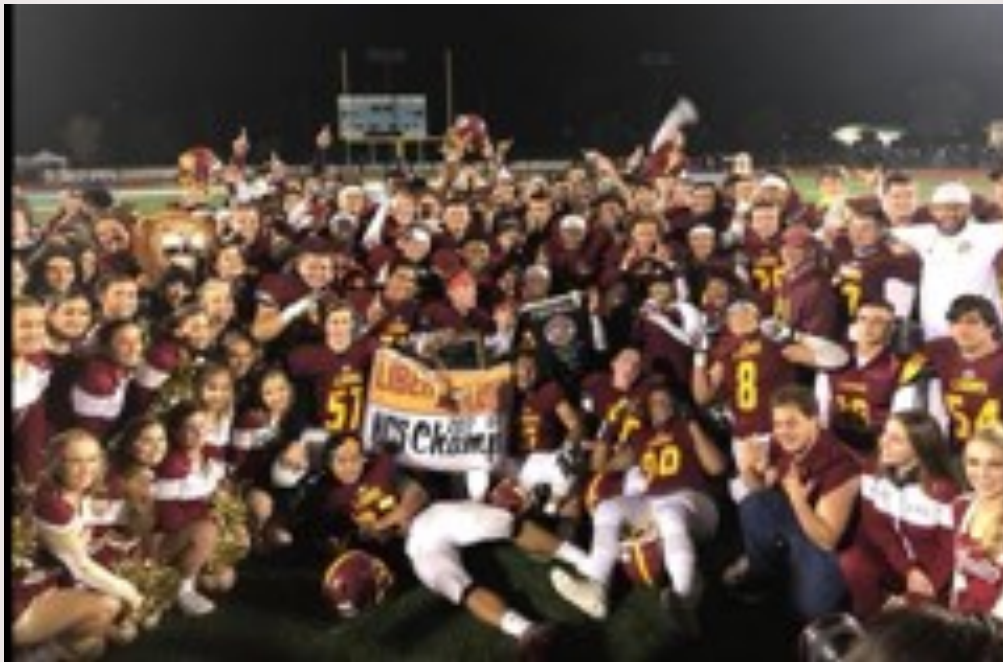
*A fabulous day for all!*



**Voc Ed** works in collaboration with several local and state agencies with focus upon the education and transition from the secondary school setting. The class provides more intensive instruction in specific occupations and career pathways based on individual student's aptitudes and preferences, with a goal or development of independent work skills. Our students attended field trips to Sacramento State University, and Los Medanos College. Liberty Adult Education and Regional Occupational Programs visited Liberty High School Voc Ed and spoke to our students.



# NCS Champions 2017



# 2017 –2018

## Grade Report periods

<b>REPORT PERIOD</b>	<b>DAYS</b>	<b>GRADES DUE</b>	<b>DISTRIBUTION DATE</b>
<i>Mid-Quarter 1</i>	23	Friday, 9/1/2017	Wednesday, September 6,2017 2 <sup>nd</sup> Period
<b>Quarter 1</b>	43	Tuesday, 10/17/2017	Thursday, October 19 6 <sup>th</sup> Period
<i>Mid-Quarter 2</i>	24	Monday, 11/27/2017	Thursday, November 30 6 <sup>th</sup> Period
<b>Quarter 2/ Semester 1</b>	43/86	Friday, 12/22/2017	Wednesday, January 3, 2018 Mail Home
<i>Mid-Quarter 3</i>	25	Tuesday, 2/13/2018	Thursday, February 15 2 <sup>nd</sup> Period
<b>Quarter 3</b>	47	Wednesday, 4/4/2018	Friday, April 6 6 <sup>th</sup> Period
<i>Mid-Quarter 4</i>	24	Monday, 5/7/2018	Wednesday, May 9 2 <sup>nd</sup> Period
<b>Quarter 4/ Semester 2</b>	47/94	Friday, 6/8/2018	Tuesday, June 12 Mail Home



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# AERIES

The parents portal to your students education

## GET CONNECTED

### LOOK WHAT YOU WILL FIND INSIDE THE PORTAL

#### Student Info

- Classes
- Email & List

#### Gradebook

- Details by Class
- Grade History
- Graduation Status
- Transcripts

#### Attendance

- Current Attendance record
- Truancy
- Tardy

Go to <http://parents.luhsd.net> and Click Create New Account. Complete the information requested to create your account. You need 3 pieces of information to create an account, the student ID, telephone number and Verification Code. The verification code can be obtained from the student's schedule provided at walk-through registration or contacting your school site to obtain the code.





## Coffee with the Principal

Come join in on the conversation at

Dad's Café

1135 2nd St, Brentwood, CA 94513

**10:00 AM**

January 25th, 2018

April 26th, 2018



Stay in tune with your students grades, attendance, and much more

<https://parents.luhسد.net>

## CONTRA COSTA CRISIS CENTER

[www.Crisis-center.org](http://www.Crisis-center.org)

[www.211database.org](http://www.211database.org)

Info & Referral 211

## AFTERSCHOOL H.E.L.P. PROGRAMS

Come to the LHS library

Place to study & receive

extra HELP

M-T-W-TH

3:15—4:45

### **EXTRA MATH HELP**

Monday—N17 Hill

Tuesday—N17 Hill

Wednesday—N11 Kaddoura

Thursday—S6 Weinert



Sign up or PAY for SCHOOL LUNCHES ONLINE:

[Family.titank12.com](http://Family.titank12.com)



*Interested in advertising in the school newspaper, The Lion's Roar?*

*Contact Kristina Busch at [buschk@luhsd.net](mailto:buschk@luhsd.net)*

*Our first issue comes out in November, and will reach about 2,000 readers!*

