

Liberty-Curtin Elementary

Keystone Central School District

Message From the Principal

Dear Liberty-Curtin Families,

Our *One Team, One Dream* initiative is off to an exciting start! January was filled with activities that brought our school communities together, including pen pal letters between Liberty-Curtin and Woodward Elementary students, our *Canuary* food drive to support local food banks, and our ongoing soda tab collection for the Ronald McDonald House. Thank you to all who have participated and helped make a difference!



As we move into February, we have even more to look forward to. We are especially excited for our *Family Movie Night* on **February 13**, sponsored by the Liberty-Curtin and Woodward Elementary PTOs. This will be a wonderful opportunity for families to come together and enjoy a fun evening.

Additionally, we are gearing up for **Kindergarten Registration** for the 2025-2026 school year! If you know of any future *Liberty-Curtin Wildcat students*, please help us spread the word by sharing the registration information included below.

We look forward to another month filled with fun, learning, and teamwork. Thank you for your continued support in making our school a great place for students to grow and succeed!

One Team, One Dream!

Sincerely,

Brett Umbenhouer, Principal

Liberty-Curtin Elementary & Woodward Elementary

ONE TEAM ONE DREAM



Click on the image above to access our One Team One Dream theme song that students have been practicing.

Upcoming Activities

February 3-7 - National School Counselor Week

February 3 - PBIS Assembly

February 7 - 100th day of school

February 11-13 - Book Fair

February 11 - Book Fair Family Title 1 Night - 3:30-5:30 - see info below

February 11 - Science Fair - 5:30-6:30 - see info below

February 11 - PTO Meeting - 6:30

February 13 - One Team One Dream Roxy Movie Night - see info below

February 17 - Presidents' Day - No School

February 18-19 - Kindergarten Registration - 3:30-6:30 - see info below

February 26 - Mobile Dentist

February 28 - PBIS Reward

Family Engagement Night & Book Fair



Science Fair



Science Fair Science Fair at Liberty-Curtin!

Baking soda lava oozing out of a homemade volcano, eggs that have no shell, oobleck that melts in your hand...it must be time for the science fair! The **Liberty-Curtin Science Fair is taking place in February** and we are looking for participants to display their scientific knowledge and creativity for others to see. Participants will get an awesome science fair button, an official science fair certificate, and have their picture taken after they are interviewed by our amazing Liberty-Curtin faculty and staff. We have also instituted something new this year...students may also win a ribbon for their science experiment! Please see the back of this permission slip for the criteria to win a ribbon.

Please fill out the information on the bottom of this form, have your parent or guardian sign it and **return it to your teacher by February 7th, 2025**. Then, put on that lab coat and start working on your science fair experiment. Please contact Dr. Weaver at lweaver1@kcsd.us if you need suggestions or more information. The science fair will take place in the **Liberty-Curtin cafeteria on Tuesday, February 11th from 5:30 pm - 6:30 pm. Students may begin setting up in the cafeteria at 5:00 pm.** Partners may work together on an experiment, but both students need to turn in a permission form so each student can get a certificate. Looking forward to seeing you at the science fair!

_____ will be participating in the 2025
(Name of student)

Liberty-Curtin Science Fair on Tuesday, February 11th from 5:30 pm to
6:30 pm. My child's teacher is _____.

Parent or guardian signature for permission to participate in Liberty-Curtin's
Science Fair 2025 _____

Family Movie Night

**WOODWARD & LIBERTY-CURTIN PTO
FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT AT THE ROXY THEATRE**

Concessions available
for purchase

Inside Out 2 or Ice Age

ONE TEAM
ONE DREAM

FREE ADMISSION FOR WOODWARD & LIBERTY-CURTIN
STUDENTS AND FAMILY

WITH DONATION TO CLINTON COUNTY HOUSING COALITION
NEEDED: WATER, PAPER TOWELS, SNACKS, TOILET PAPER,
CLEANING PRODUCTS, & MICROWAVEABLE FOODS

February 13th, 2025
Doors open at 5:45pm
Movie starts at 6:30pm

First come first serve per capacity
Event Proudly Sponsored and
Donated by Woodward & Liberty-Curtin PTO



Kindergarten Registration

KINDERGARTEN



REGISTRATION IS COMING!

... to Liberty-Curtin Elementary on:

February 18th from 3:30 pm - 6:30 pm

February 19th from 3:30 pm - 6:30 pm

Call (570)-893-4900 ext. 2501 to schedule your appointment TODAY!!

Documents Required for ALL Grades

1. Proof of birthdate in the form of a birth certificate or passport.
2. Guardianship & Custody Orders. Persons with legal guardianship or legal custody of a child must bring copies of the documents granting the guardianship or custody.
3. Proof of residency in the Keystone Central School District. Example: Deed, lease, or current utility bill for your place of residence.
4. Immunization Records — Required immunizations can be found [here](#).
5. Parent Photo ID



You can get started by completing the [online registration](#) piece today!

Please note that online registration involves two parts. When completing the first part of the online registration, you will be asked to provide an email address. An email will be sent to the address you provide and a link will be sent for you to complete the second part of registration. Please make sure to complete both parts.

Don't forget to bring your incoming Kindergarten student!



My Scheduled Appointment is: _____ (date)

at: _____ (time)

Keystone Conversations

This year, we will be offering monthly 'Keystone Conversations' in an effort to provide our parents and guardians with information they feel would be most helpful to assist in closing the gap between home and school. We would love to hear from parents / guardians to know what training or information they would like to receive. We would like all parents / guardians to complete [this short form](#) to let us know what you need.



Did you know that every school in KCSD has PBIS? Do you know what PBIS is and what it means for your student?

Childcare & light refreshments will be provided.

Messages and Updates through Class Dojo

KCSD has moved back to ClassDojo as our messaging app. Please be sure to connect (or reconnect) so you don't miss any important information from your child's school or teachers.

Stay informed about:

- School events and activities

- Important deadlines and assignments
- Emergency alerts and school delays/dismissals/closures



Federal Programs

Annual Notices and Policy Review

Click on the button above to access the information.

Federal Programs Updates

All elementary schools within the district are Title I schoolwide schools and receive Title I federal funds to support the positions of Interventionist and Title I Associates. We determine how to use the funding to staff our buildings based on family input and our school data. If you are interested in becoming a part of our Title I team, please reach out to your building Interventionist or principal. Our Policy 917/918 meetings are a great place to start, because we always review our School Improvement plans and the most updated school data during those meetings.

At all school levels, we use Title IV federal funds to purchase incentives for PBIS (our positive school-wide behavior supports) rewards, and we emphasize the goal of following school rules in all schools.

Required documents for families:

Right to Request Qualifications of Teachers (see Annual Notices and Policy Review button above) - if you wish to request a paper copy, please contact jevey@kcsd.k12.pa.us .

Note: If your child is taught for four or more weeks by a teacher who is instructing in a content area for which they are not currently certified, the district must notify you. Four-week notification letters will be added here if that becomes necessary.

Non-Discrimination Statement (see Annual Notices and Policy Review button above) - if you wish to request a paper copy, please contact jevey@kcsd.k12.pa.us.

[Title I District Parent Policy - Policy 918](#)

[Coaching Newsletter for Families - How We Teach Reading](#)

[Title I Complaint Procedure](#)

[Right to Know Letter](#)

Family Connections

ESL

Math: Learning Together at Home

Math is everywhere! When you measure an ingredient for a recipe, tell time, pay a bill, or look at the daily temperature, you are using math. These activities offer ideas on how to make math fun at home and start building some math skills that kids will use as they get older. [Click to learn more!](#)
[Video](#) (Spanish Only)

Translation Services

If your family speaks a language other than English, the district has access to translators and interpreters that can accompany you in meetings with teachers and school members. If you would like to be connected with a translator or interpreter please reach out to your child's teacher or the school guidance counselor. The accessibility features in the top right corner of this Smore allow you to translate this page.

Family Activities



2024 Rally Flyer.pdf

[Download](#)

1.1 MB



FLS SAP Brochure 2024.pdf

[Download](#)

1.2 MB



Reading Under the Lights_BHS 2024 (1).pdf

[Download](#)

395.0 KB



Reading Under the Lights_CMHS 2024.pdf

[Download](#)

314.8 KB

ATTENDANCE MATTERS

We're so excited to have our schools filled with students and teachers where we can all grow and learn together!

There is so much awesomeness that can be achieved when we're present at school. If something is getting in the way of your student coming to school, please reach out to your student's teacher, school counselor, district social worker, or school nurse. We want to make sure that your student is receiving whatever supports necessary to help them be successful.

REMINDER: As we start a new school year, excuses need to be turned in within 3 days of an absence. Use your school's attendance email to make sure that the excuse notes get turned in on time.

Wildcats on the Prowl: AttendanceMatters Now!

ATTENDANCE MATTERS **EVERY DAY COUNTS**

In one school year

When a student misses 2 days a month, they will **MISS**

- 20 DAYS A YEAR
- 30 DAYS OF MATH
- 60 DAYS OF ELA

+ 1 YR & OVER 1 YEAR OF SCHOOL BY GRADUATION

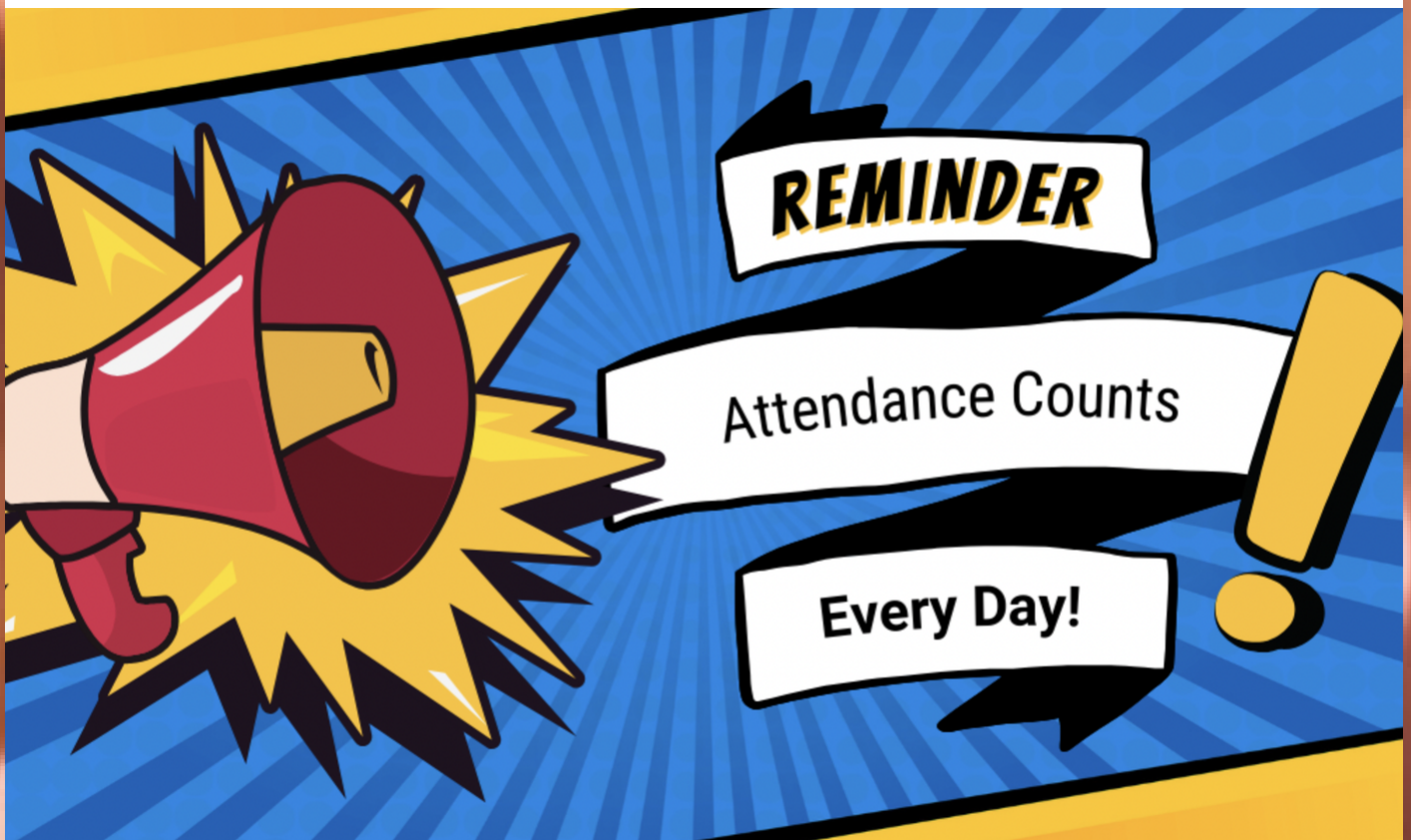
It's never too late to improve attendance!

- Going to school more often will make a difference
- Attendance habits will follow your student into work & life.

School & future success starts with **GOOD ATTENDANCE!!**

How parents can help?

- Make sure your student is at school **on time, every day**
- Have conversations with your student. *Attending school DOES make a difference!*
- Schedule appointments outside of the school day, if possible.



Counseling Connection

SAP

If you are concerned about a student for any reason, you can make a SAP referral. The SAP referral can potentially lead to any needed services and/or supports the student may need to be

successful.

Scan the QR code on the picture to make a referral!



Liberty-Curtin Elementary School Counseling

School Counselors are able to assist your child in 3 main areas: Social/Emotional Development, College/Career Readiness, and Academics.

Some activities provided may be:

- 1:1 Counseling
- Group Counseling
- Classroom Guidance on Interpersonal Skills
 - (i.e. being a good friend, showing empathy, etc)
- Academic Achievement Strategies
- Career Awareness and Interest Inventories

To learn more or to schedule a meeting, please contact:

Bonnie Owens: School Counselor, Liberty-Curtin Elementary

Phone: 570-893-4900 x2521

Email: bowens@kcsd.k12.pa.us

Volunteer Application

VOLUNTEER INFORMATION

The link in the button above should take you to our Volunteer Application.

You may also apply on-line at <https://www.applitrack.com/kcsd/onlineapp/> instead of using a paper form.

Clearances and Mandated Reporter training are also required. Here are the links:

- Clearances
- (Act 34) PA State Police <https://epatch.pa.gov/home>
- (Act 151) PA Child Abuse <https://www.compass.state.pa.us/cwis/public/home>

· (Act 114) FBI <https://www.identogo.com/locations/pennsylvania>

Use service code to receive the correct clearance: 1KG6XN

Mandated Reporter Training <http://www.reportabusepa.pitt.edu/>

Elizabeth Nace is our Personnel Secretary & Volunteer Specialist, you can use the information below to contact her, and she said she is happy to help you and answer questions!

570-893-4900 x 2319

<https://www.kcsd.us/district-offices/human-resources/volunteer-information>

enace@kcsd.k12.pa.us

86 Administration Drive, Mill Hall, PA 17751

ATHLETICS & ACTIVITIES

Check out our School websites for CMHS Athletics



Central Mountain High School

Just another SportsHub Sites site

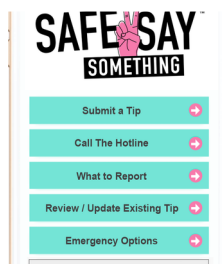
centralmountainathletics.com

Safety & Security



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[Click here for updates and information about KCSD Safety and Security.](#)



Safe 2 Say

[Click here to access information about Safe 2 Say.](#)



School Gate Guardian

[Click here for more information about School Gate Guardian and the district requirement for all visitors to show ID.](#)

Keystone Central School District has School Resource Officers throughout our district for safety and security.

Officer Scott VanGorder - Central Mountain High School
Officer Cory Beaver - Bucktail High School & Renovo Elementary
Officer Luke Motter - Central Mountain Middle School
Officer Mike Fetzer - Elementary district-wide and District Attendance Officer
Officer Todd Brian - District-wide

Keeping Up With Keystone

KCSD Virtual Academy

[Did you know that KCSD has an online cyber option for students? Please visit our website to learn more about the flexibility and courses that are available to our students!!](#)

Check out our [Virtual Academy Newsletter!](#)

Keystone Central Career & Technical Center

Please use the following link to read the upcoming events and information for August and September.

<https://secure.smores.com/n/6axde>

Quick Links

Many questions can arise concerning your child's laptop, internet access, busing information or maybe you'd like to volunteer in your child's school. These links below can help you get answers or point you in the direction of who to speak to.

KCSD Technology Department

Click on the button above to access the information.

KCSD Transportation Department

Click on the button above to access the information.

KCSD Volunteer Application & Information

Click on the button above to access the information.

KCSD Student Handbooks

Click on the button above to access the information.

KCSD Food & Nutrition Services

Click on the button above to access the information.

Special Education

Click on the button above to access the information.

Shop @ Weis, Earn \$\$ for your School!

Click on the button above to access the information.

Most Up-to-Date Elementary Lunch Menu

Click on the button above to access the information.

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School Contact Information

Brett Umbenhouer, Principal, (570) 893-4900 ext. 2502

Wendy Zimmerman, Secretary, (570) 893-4900 ext. 2501

Bonnie Owens, School Guidance Counselor, (570) 893-4900 ext. 2521

Sarah Rathmell/Crissie Swartwood, School Nurse, (570) 893-4900 ext. 2525



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Respect for Yesterday * Pride in Today * Plans for Tomorrow