LIBERTY-CURTIN ELEMENTARY

December 2026

Message from the Principal



Dear Liberty-Curtin Elementary Families,

As we head into Thanksgiving Break, I hope you and your family find time to rest, recharge, and reflect on all that you are thankful for. Gratitude has been our focus throughout November, and we are incredibly thankful for your continued partnership and support. Our amazing students, staffulty, and families make LC the place to be!

December will be filled with learning, holiday spirit, and exciting activities. We encourage everyone to participate in our December Spirit Days and join us for our Winter Concert on Tuesday, December 8, at 6:00 PM at Central Mountain Middle School.

We are also excited for our second annual Holiday Overload Staffulty Fashion Show on Friday, December 4. Get your loose change ready to vote for your favorite holiday outfit on December 7 and 8 or at the Winter Concert!

Please take a moment to review the important dates and event information included below.
On behalf of our entire Liberty-Curtin staffulty, I wish you and your family a wonderful Thanksgiving, a joyful holiday season, and a Happy New Year!

Sincerely,

Brett Umbenhouer

Important Dates & Reminders

November 25 - December 1 - No School - Thanksgiving Break

December 2-22 - December Spirit Days - ***see info below***
December 4 - LC PTO Meat Raffle - ***tickets and money due***
December 4 - Holiday Overload Staffulty Fashion Show - ***see info below***
December 8-9- Christmas Store
December 8 - Winter Concert - 6pm @ CMMS ***- see info below***
December 9 - Star Student Luncheon
December 11 - Mark the Shark Toy Pick-up ***- see info below***
December 17 - Santa Visit
December 18 - No School - King of the Mountain
December 21 - Reindeer Games
December 23 - January 3 - No School - Winter Break

School Calendar

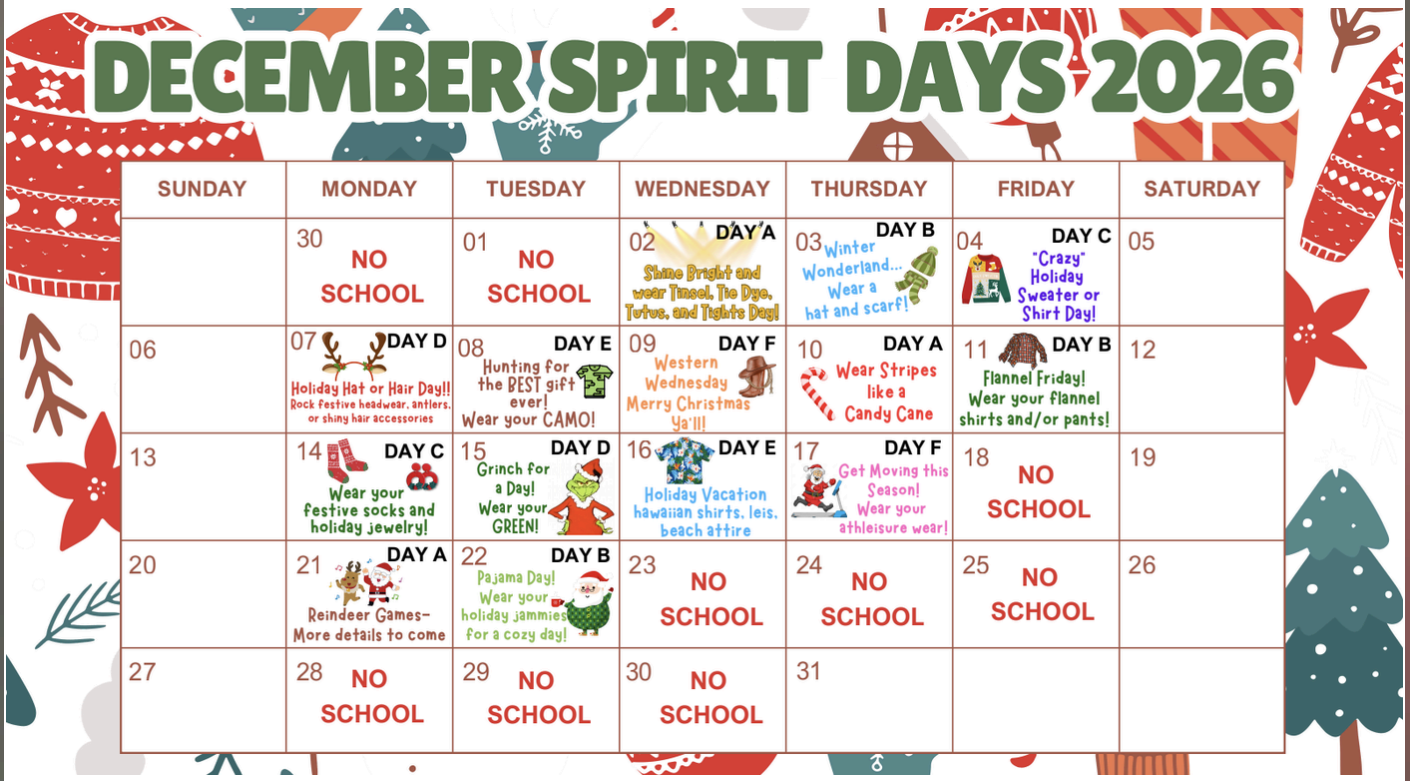
Please Note: Updated District Calendar
The District has an updated calendar. Monday, April 19, 2027, has been designated as a school make-up day. Students, please make sure to update your calendars accordingly!

Student Handbooks

1. Central Mountain High School
2. Central Mountain Middle School
3. Elementary Handbooks

School Year Times

December Spirit Days



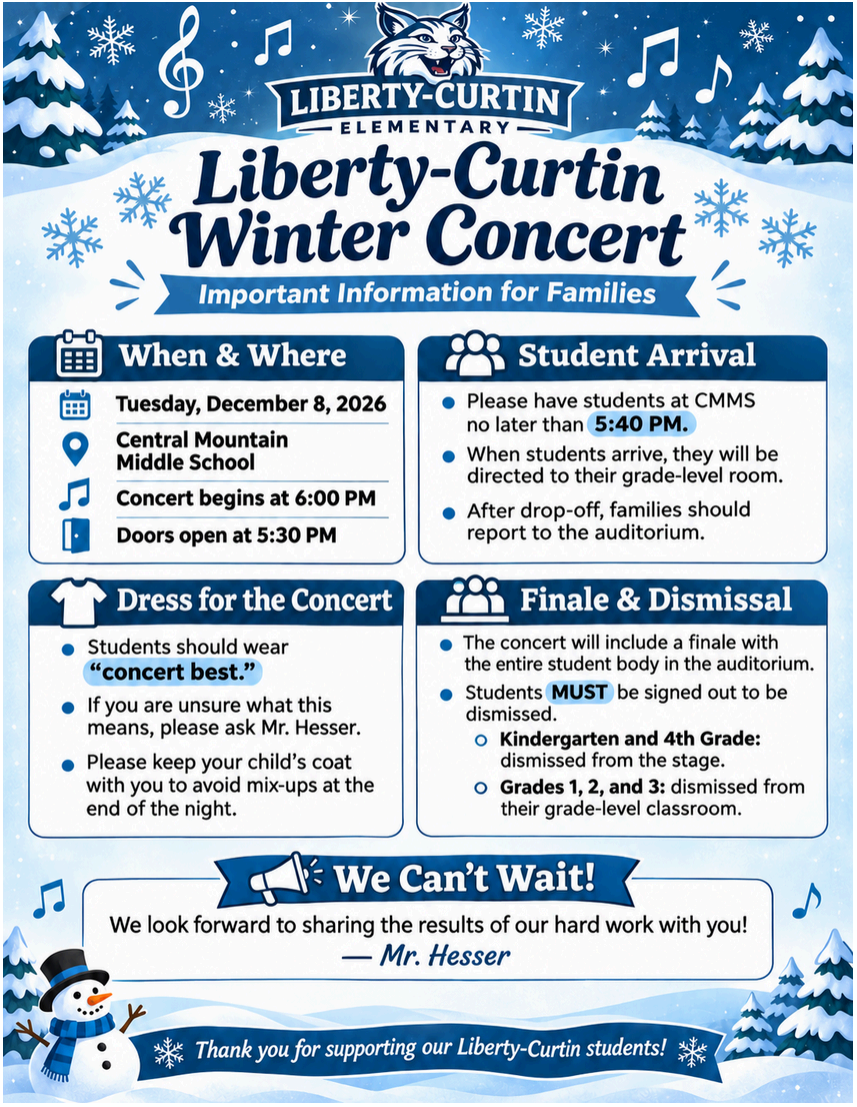
LC PTO Meat Raffle



Holiday Overload Fashion Show



Winter Concert



Mark the Shark Toy Drive



There's always something happening across the district!

- **Music & Arts** – Students are sharing their talents through music and performances.
- **Fall Sports** – Cheer on our teams and show your KCSD spirit!
- **Learning in Action** – Students are learning through hands-on activities and experiences.
- **Community Connections** – Schools continue to connect with local organizations and families.
- **Making Memories** – From classrooms to activities, there are special moments happening every day.

Stay Connected With KCSD

KCSD is using **ClassDojo** to help you stay connected (or reconnect) so you don't miss any important information from your child's school or teachers.
We're also sharing exciting updates and good news on **Facebook** and **Instagram**—be sure to follow us there!

Make sure you're connected to receive updates about:

- School events and activities
- Important deadlines and assignments
- Emergency alerts, delays, dismissals, and closures

Stay informed and stay involved!

LC Website

LC Dojo

LC Facebook
Follow us on Facebook!

KCSD Website

KCSD Facebook
Follow KCSD on Facebook!

KCSD Instagram
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Federal Programs

Annual Notices and Policy Review

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.

LC Federal Programs & School Improvement Links

Click on the button above to access all of our LC and District Federal Programs Links

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Family Connections

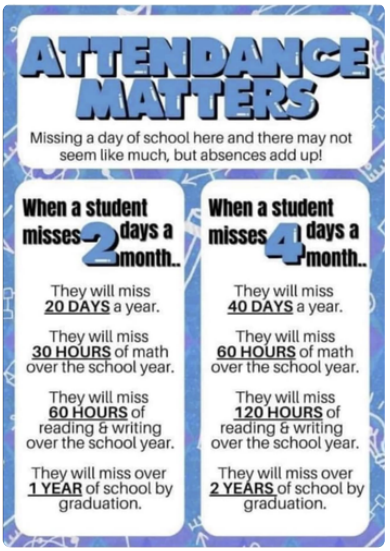
Math: Learning Together at Home

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.

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.

REMNDER: 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.

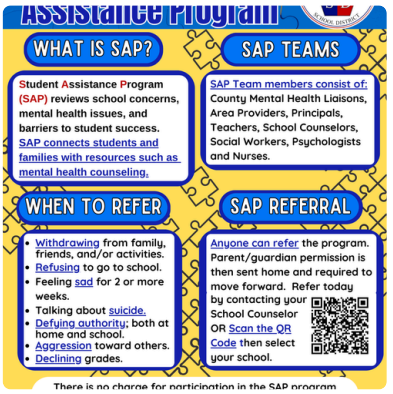
Wildcats on the Prowl: Attendance Matters Now!



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!



Volunteer Application

VOLUNTEER INFORMATION

The link in the button above will take you to our Volunteer Application.
You may also complete the Volunteer Application and Disclosure Form at your child's school.
Please note, we do require a new application for each school year.

Clearances are also required. Here are the links:
· (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
*Volunteer service code : 1KG6ZJ (not for employees or paid staff)

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 will be happy to help you and answer questions!
570-893-4900 x 2319
https://www.kcsd.us/district-offices/human-resources/volunteer-information
mailto:enace@kcsd.k12.pa.us or mailto:personnel@kcsd.k12.pa.us

86 Administration Drive, Mill Hall, PA 17751

Employment Opportunities/Subbing

Employment Opportunities

Are you interested in joining our team? Please click here to see our current open positions!

We are also looking for substitutes in all areas! If you are interested in becoming a substitute teacher, secretary, para educator, food services or custodian click here and get signed up with ESS. ESS is our contracted partner for fulfilling our substitute needs!

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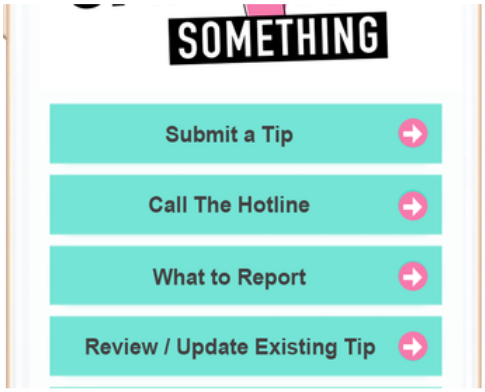
Athletics & Activities

Central Mountain High School
CMHS Athletic Page

Bucktail Campus
BT Athletic Page

Central Mountain Middle School

CMMS Athletic Page



Safe 2 Say

Click here to access information about Safe 2 Say.



Safety & Security

Click here for updates and information about KCSD Safety and Security.

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

KCSD Transportation Department

KCSD Volunteer Application & Information

KCSD Student Handbooks

KCSD Food & Nutrition Services

Special Education

Shop @ Weis, Earn $$ for your School!

School Contact Information

Brett Umbenhouer, Principal, (570) 893-4900 ext. 2502
Wendy Zimmerman, Secretary, (570) 893-4900 ext. 2501
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Sarah Rathmell/Crissie Swartwood, School Nurse, (570) 893-4900 ext. 2525

