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Hello Liberty,

This is a reminder that the school year will begin Tuesday, Sept. 6. Please check your email or visit our website for reminders and updates for the 2022-23 school year.

Letter

Dear Liberty families,

I am excited to welcome back our students for a new year of learning at Liberty Central School District.

The first day of school is Tuesday, Sept. 6.

The Elementary doors will open at 7:15 a.m. and classes will begin at 8:05 a.m. The day will end at 2:40 p.m. The Middle and High School doors will open at 7:30 a.m. Students will be released to homeroom at 7:55 a.m. with the late bell will be at 8:05 a.m. Classes will end at 2:57 p.m. The [full bell schedule](#) is available on our website.

There are some changes we would like to make you aware of.

Visitor Procedures

Liberty has instituted new visitor procedures. We will be using a new system, School Gate Guardian. To enter any of our instructional buildings, visitors must have a New York State-issued driver's license or photo identification.

All exterior doors will remain locked and visitor access will only be available through the front door. To enter, visitors must ring the intercom button at the building they wish to enter. They must show their ID and specify their reason for visiting. They will be buzzed into the vestibule, where they will place their ID into the self-service kiosk, which will verify that they are permitted to enter the building. If so, they will be allowed to enter and given a visitor badge.

Our [full visitor procedures](#) are listed on our website.

COVID Policies

Our COVID policies will remain largely unchanged since last year. New York State's guidance now follows the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's recommendations. For more information, please review "[What Parents/Caregivers Should Know about COVID Mitigation Strategies for the 2022-2023 School Year](#)"

There are no longer "test to stay" policies in place, and daily COVID reports will no longer be collected by the state.

Any student or staff member may wear a mask while at school to prevent the spread of illness. Mask-wearing is recommended for at least 10 days following a positive COVID test, or COVID illness.

As with any infectious illness, students and staff who test positive for COVID-19, or who show symptoms, are asked to stay home from school and follow the [Centers for Disease Control's Isolation Guidance](#).

- Someone who tested positive and has no symptoms may return to school after day 5.
- Someone who is sick (has symptoms) may return to school after day 5 if they have been fever-free for 24 hours (without the use of fever-reducing medication) and symptoms are improving.

The Liberty Central School District provides at-home COVID-19 test kits for students, if requested. Please contact the nurse's office of your child's building to receive one.

COVID-19 vaccinations are not required to attend school. Children ages 6 months and older are all eligible to receive the COVID-19 vaccine. Children older than 5 are eligible for a booster. For more information, visit ny.gov/vaxtoschool.

We hope before the school year begins you have a chance to watch our newest video "[Welcome to Liberty](#)."

If you have any questions as the school year progresses, please see our [Chain of Command calling guide](#) to see who to contact. If you are unable to reach the first contact or your issue is not resolved, move on to the second contact and so on until your concern is addressed. Contact information for individuals can be found on the [Contact Us](#) page on our website. Please visit our website, www.libertyk12.org, for the most up to date information.

I look forward to working with you to make Liberty a great place to learn for the 2022-23 school year.

Sincerely,

Dr. Patrick I. Sullivan
Superintendent of Schools