Dear Liberty Families,

I hope everyone had a fabulous day at STEMmerDay. It was very well attended and from the looks of it, all had a great time. The PTA was busy providing breakfast and lunch for the volunteers as well as selling food to all the hungry attendees. Can you believe it? We sold 360 slices of pizza and 3 trays of sub sandwiches (along with chips, candy, drinks and popcorn) in the space of an hour and 15 minutes. Wow! We had a lot of hungry visitors. Due to our loss of corporate sponsors, the PTA ended up funding all of STEMmerDay. This event is always a free event for the students and parents. It was all made possible because of our hugely successful Laps for Liberty fundraiser at the beginning of the year. Thank you for supporting Liberty.

This month we will have a spirit night at Moe’s Southwest Grill on March 30th. Please be sure to bring the flyer that will come home in the Thursday folders. The Kuleyo’s spirit nights are put on hold for now as they have been closed for over a month and we have not had word as to when they will re-open.

Be sure to leave March 31st open on your calendar. The annual Staff Matball Game will be on that evening from 6:30-8:30PM in the Freedom High School gymnasium. This year it is a glow in the dark event with the Glow Worms led by Mr. Pack vs. the Rainbow Brights led by Mrs. Insari and Mrs. Nichols. It is sure to be the event of the year. We will also have local author and Liberty parent, Steph Fink, there signing and selling copies of her new book, *The Blessed Juggle—From Cray to OK in 30 Days*. She is donating 10% of the sale of each book to Liberty Elementary PTA. Thank you, Steph. Can’t wait to see everyone there!

Warm Regards,
Anne Corej, Liberty PTA President,
libptapresident@gmail.com

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**Calendar of Events**

**March**
- 3rd: PTA Exec Board Meeting – 3:15PM
- 4th: March Newsletter Published
- 5th: STEMmerday – 10AM – 2:30PM
- 10th: PTA General Member Mtg. – 7PM
- 17th: Second Grade Musical—7PM
- 21-25: Spring Break
- 30th: Staff Matball Game - Freedom High School, 6-8 PM

**April**
- 7th: PTA Exec Meeting – 3:15PM
- 8th: April Newsletter Published
- 8th: Parents Night Out – Topkick, 6 – 9 PM
- 12th: Spring Picture Day
- 12th: Spirit Night – Lil Caesars All Grades, 5-8PM
- 14th: PTA General Membership Mtg. – 7PM
- 15th: Student Holiday (teacher work day)
- 19th: 5th Grade Panoramic Picture 9:30 AM
- 28th: Spring Chorus Concert – 7PM
- 29th: International Night 6-8PM
TREASURER’S REPORT

Only two events with a budget impact: bingo night and STEMmerday. Bingo night was very fun but did not hit our budgeted income. We found out Liberty lost a big sponsor for STEMmerday so they asked the PTA for help. A budget increase was approved at the PTA general meeting. Currently, just over $4,000 has been spent in support of STEMmerday. Additional expenses are expected and another request for an increase in the budget will be voted on during our March 10th general meeting. These funds are coming off the very successful Laps for Liberty fundraiser and STEMmerday is an awesome program the PTA is proud to support. The first round of teacher requests, which will directly benefit our kids, have been purchased and I’m expecting those receipts this month.

EAGLE EYE DADS

There's only a couple months left to volunteer to be an Eagle Eye Dad. Friday, May 13th is the last day to volunteer. Let's show Liberty what it means to be an Eagle Eye Dad! Sign up at signup.eagleeyedads.com.

William Perry
Eagle Eye Dads Coordinator
EagleEyeDads.com

REFLECTIONS

Prize details - District level
Primary
Akshaya Manikandan - Photography - 1st
Akshaya Manikandan - Literature - 2nd
Akshaya Manikandan - Dance Choreography - 2nd

Intermediate
Swetha Bharat - Dance choreography - 2nd
Swetha Bharat - Film Production - 3rd
Swetha Bharat - Photography - 3rd
Swetha Bharat - Music composition - Honorable Mention

FIFTH GRADE PROMOTION

Mark your calendars! The 5th Grade Promotion is scheduled for Monday June 13th, with a promotion party on June 14th! There will be fun activities for your kids to participate in like Talent Shows, a Photo Slide Show and a full day of party fun! Keep your eyes out for information and sign-up sheets in your weekly folders over the next few months. We're also going to need parent volunteers throughout the events. Email Julie McGoldrick (julesmcgoldrick@yahoo.com) if you're interested! Exact volunteering details and jobs will be identified as we get closer to June!
- Mary Kearney, Director of Special Education, presented on Access to General Education Curriculum: Inclusive Practices. This presentation was an overview of LCPS's goals and mission towards becoming a fully inclusive county. Training is being provided to schools via Stetson.

- Mark Nichols, Assistive Technology Supervisor, presented on AIM-VA. This is a tool used for accessing curriculum in an alternative way. If parents have questions they can contact Mark Nichols (mark.nichols@lcps.org)

If parents are interested in events hosted by the Parent Resource Center - I would highly encourage them to visit www.lcps.org/prc to register and browse the list of spring events.
ODYSSEY OF THE MIND

Good luck to all the teams which will be competing in the regional tournament on March 12th at Tuscarora High School in Leesburg.

EVENTS

Spirit night at Moe’s South West Grill on March 30 from 5-8PM for all grades. Please make sure to bring the flyer that will be sent home in the Thursday folders.

First Ever Glow In the Dark Staff Matball Game

6:30-8:30 PM at Freedom High School on March 31st

Fun and games! Glow items and food for sale!

Come meet our very own local author (she has children at Liberty and Lunsford). She will be signing copies of her new book, *The Blessed Juggle—From Cray to OK in 30 Days*, available for $15 and donating 10% of the proceeds to Liberty Elementary PTA. It provides personal coaching in workbook format with easy to read, biblically based and practical encouragements to help you move from cray to okay! Steph encourages readers to: - Be blessed, not busy. - Pursue God's rhythm in their daily juggle. - Break free from people pleasing. - Develop a plan of rest. - Examine their juggle with faith, honesty and laughter. Every chapter ends with a practical tip to help streamline your life and lighten your juggle! A portion of sales go to The A21 Campaign to fight human trafficking!
Academic Symposium
Putting Educational Equity First
A Framework for Erasing the Opportunity Gap

Keynote Speaker
Paul Gorski, Founder EdChange & the Multicultural Pavilion,
Associate Professor, Integrative Studies,
George Mason University

Administration Building, 21000 Education Court,
Ashburn, VA, Wednesday, March 16, 2016 6PM – 9:30PM

Join in with parents, students, teachers, and administrators to learn about academic gaps and how best to close them.
Please be on the lookout for the school supplies kit order forms in March.

Free Money for Liberty:

Link your Giant and Harris Teeter cards to our school - do this at the beginning of each school year - click on each store to link

If you plan to shop at Amazon, start at the link below. Liberty will get a percentage of all sales.


Get Connected to Liberty PTA:

Like us on Facebook!    Bookmark the PTA website!    Receive text reminders!

GLORY DAYS - Save your itemized Glory Days receipts and turn them in to the PTA mailbox at school anytime throughout the year.

RED ROBIN - Add Liberty to your Red Robin Royalty Card in the "Burgers for Better Schools" section in your online account.
Spring is just around the corner!

**Freedom High School Athletic Booster Club (FEABC) is sponsoring its Annual Spring Mulch Sale on Saturday, April 16, 2016.**

Start planning for the warmer months and help support Freedom Athletics.

This year we will offer both our traditional shredded BROWN hardwood mulch as well as color enhanced BLACK mulch.

* 3 Cubic Ft. Bags of Shredded Hardwood Bark Mulch
* 2 Cubic Ft. Bags of Color Enhanced Black Mulch
*$4.75 per Bag – Tax Deductible Donation of $2.45 per bag
* Pickup at FHS between 8:30 – 3:00 p.m. on April, 16th OR have delivered to your driveway.
*Free delivery (w/in 5 mile radius of FHS) for orders of 20 bags or more

* See attached Flyer to place your order OR
c**pay online at:** [http://www.pay4schoolstuffonline.com](http://www.pay4schoolstuffonline.com)

*Email questions to: mulchmadness@ymail.com*

Thank you for your continued support,

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- 3 Cubic Ft. Bags of Shredded Hardwood Bark Mulch
- 2 Cubic Ft. Bags of Color Enhanced Black Mulch
- $4.75 per Bag – Tax Deductible Donation of $2.45 per bag
- Pickup at FHS between 8:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. on April 16th OR have delivered to your driveway
- Free delivery (w/in 5 mile Radius of FHS) for orders of 20 or more bags. $10 Fee for all other deliveries.
- Email questions to mulchmadness@ymail.com

**MULCH SALE ORDER FORM**
ORDERS MUST BE PLACED BY SUNDAY April 10

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Circle Form of Payment: Cash, Check

If paying by credit card, go to PAY4SCHOOLSTUFFONLINE.COM AND PAY FOR YOUR ORDER.

Make checks payable to: “FEABC” (Freedom Eagles Athletic Booster Club).

Mail or deliver order forms with payment to:
FEABC (Mulch Sale)
Freedom High School
25450 Riding Center Drive
South Riding, VA 20152

Thank you for supporting Freedom High School Athletics