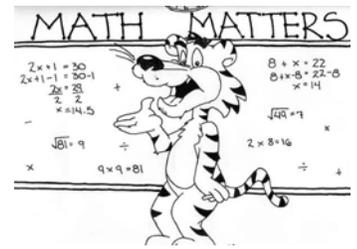


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Calendar of Events

April 8

Teacher Work Day
No School

April 11 - 15

Spring Recess
No School

April 18 - 22

Registration SY 2005/06

April 20

Award's Assembly
LHS Auditorium

April 22

½ day Parent/ Teacher Conferences
½ day Professional Development Day
No School

April 27 - 29

NCA Visit

Liberty's Mission Statement

The mission of Liberty Intermediate School is to create an environment, which respects the dignity of individuals, promotes highest student achievement, and provides educational opportunities and challenges for all students to increase their global knowledge.

If your child is going to be absent from school you must notify the school by 0800 hrs.

Attendance:

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NCA Visit

Bill Hunter, Principal

The North Central Association Commission on Accreditation and School Improvement (NCA) has been visiting and accrediting DoDDS schools for over 50 years. Two schools will be visited in the Isles District in April and May: Liberty Intermediate School, April 27-29 and Feltwell Elementary School May 2-4.

Each school in the district is visited every five years by an NCA team, which is comprised of two stateside educators and three to five DoDDS personnel. The two US team members are

Personnel from the other district schools will join them.

During the visit, the NCA representatives will conduct the NCA standards review and meet with military officials; all members will observe classroom instruction, interview students, and confer with staff members and parents. The major focus of the visit will be to learn about the improvement process that is underway at the school. The team will review the school's progress towards the DoDEA Community Strategic Plan Goals, the general instructional program, DoDEA initiatives and provide suggestions for next steps.

During the school out-briefing, the team will present their findings and offer suggestions for the next steps to enhance the improvement process at the school. This meeting is held on the afternoon of the final day of the school visit. The public is invited to attend and can obtain correct out-briefing schedule times by contacting the individual schools.

The North Central Association Commission on Accreditation and School Improvement accredits over 8000 schools in 19 states. Their purpose is to promote standards of high quality, facilitate school

improvement and serve as an independent third party agency, which is non-governmental and voluntary.

It coordinates the Isles District's accreditation and school improvement programs.

Recognition Assembly

Bill Hunter, Principal

I want to invite you to our Recognition Assembly honoring those students who achieved a high level of success. The 5th grade assembly will be held on Wednesday, April 20 at 12:30 pm and the 4th grade assembly will be held at 1:30 pm.

Both assemblies will be held at the High School Auditorium. If you are interested in attending, please plan on being at the auditorium at least 5 minutes prior to the start of the assembly so that we may begin and end on time.

Registration for 2005/06 School Year

Bill Hunter, Principal

Mark your calendars for **18-22 April**. Registration for the next school year for all schools *except the High School* will be doing registration during this week.

Enrollment is the key factor in hiring staff for the next school year. It is crucial that we know approximately what our enrollment will be. Please enroll your child/ren during this time. If you are not in the area or are unable to register this week, please stop by the school.

Each school will register students from April 18 - 20. Liberty will be doing registration from 0830 - 1500 hrs.

One Stop Registration Schedule:
21 April, RAF Mildenhall Youth Center, 1100 - 1400 hrs.
22 April, Liberty Intermediate School Gym, 1100 - 1400 hrs.



Liberty Intermediate School ROARS With Success



School Website

Bill Hunter, Principal



We want our website to be as user friendly as possible. Please visit our website at <http://www.libeis.eu.dodea.edu/> and contact our Webmaster with your suggestions for improvement!

Transformation and the Future

Office of the Director, DoDDS-Europe
Diana J. Ohman, Director

In an article that appeared in the Stars and Stripes on Wednesday, March 2nd, Marine Gen. James Jones, EUCOM Commander, spoke about “a sweeping reorganization of forces in Europe that will return thousands of troops back to the United States and consolidate remaining units into a small group of new basing hubs.”

There is no doubt that reductions will result in closure of school operations in affected communities. It won't happen tomorrow; however, DoDDS-E logistics and personnel staff have already begun close coordination with EUCOM and USAREUR in anticipation of forthcoming changes. Superintendents will begin a planning process to efficiently bring about the changes to our schools at affected sites. We will coordinate with command officials to determine closure dates for each school and timelines for steps needed to reach those milestones. Our personnel officials will coordinate with union leaders regarding the reassignment and placement of certified staff and address issues affecting support staff. We will work with local commands and civilian personnel offices with regard to local national employees. Most importantly, we will assist parents and students with transition issues.

Closures and consolidations are always emotional issues for our, students, families, and employees. Our schools in USAREUR Communities have a long and proud history of serving military families and contributing to the military mission of maintaining peace and stability around the world. In the course of these ongoing changes, our communities can count on DoDDS-E schools and our employees for stability and support. As always, our most important contribution comes when we remain focused on the educational mission and provide a stable environment for the children in our schools.

Our mission is to provide a first class education to military dependents. We have a small army of teachers who do that well and, in turn, serve our nation proudly. Once the command makes decisions, we will respond accordingly to plan transition issues as they relate to schools.

It is critical that we not engage in speculation or the promulgation of rumors about transformation or future school closure timelines. If you hear a rumor, check out the facts by calling your local commander or principal. None of us want to be the source of unfounded rumors. Stick to the facts. We are here to support you and will do so proudly as long as there are forces in your communities. Throughout the process, we will treat all members of the USAREUR family with honor and dignity.

Dodecahedrons

Student

class has just finished making science dodecahedrons. What is a dodecahedron you ask? Well, a dodecahedron is a twelve-sided 3-dimensional shape. On each side of the dodecahedron is a small paragraph about space.



Each student had to do research on space travel, an inner planet, an outer planet,

comets or meteors, the moon, astronauts, galaxies, black holes, Apollo II, asteroid belt, space shuttle, space suits, and landing on the moon. When they got finished the dodecahedron looked very cool.

Donations for Orphanage

, Teacher

Getting Donations was not a problem at all.

classroom was bustling with different sized boxes being packed and labeled for an orphanage in Kyrgyzstan in Southwest Asia. “I really wanted my students to understand they are sending boxes of items to children that literally have nothing”. The class then loaded up a pick-up driven by a CWE student at LHS. As of this printing, class has sent more than 4,000 pounds (over 2 tons) of clothing and has over 10 more boxes ready for mailing. His class will continue to send boxes through May.



Math Corner

Answers to School Improvement News,
Math Corner March 2005

1. Juanita ate the bigger piece.
2. This might be explained using fractions with common denominators: $3/12 > 2/12$, so $1/4 > 1/6$

Or pictures show that $1/4 > 1/6$



Other explanations are possible.