

"Soar to Excellence." LIBERTY COMMUNITY UNIT #2 SCHOOL

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Liberty School District will equip the whole student with knowledge, skills, and character to achieve personal success as they "Soar to Excellence."

Board Meeting Agenda for December 17, 2025 at 6:30 p.m. in the Chorus Room.

- 1. Tax Levy public hearing
- 2. Track resurfacing public hearing.
- 3. Routine Consent Agenda:
 - A. Approval of the Agenda
 - B. Approval of the following Minutes: November 17, 2025 Regular Board Meeting
 - C. Approval of the December Bills, Payroll, and Additional Bills
 - D. Approval of the Treasurer's Report
 - E. Approve the Financial Summary Report
 - F Approve the Food Service Report
 - G. Approval of the Activity Report
 - H. Approval of the Imprest Fund
- 4. Consent Agenda:
 - A. Approve the 2025 Tax Levy.
 - B. Approve the 1st reading of PRESS policy.
 - C. Approve the Resolution for Paving Work Using Health, Life Safety Funds for Repairing the Running Track.
 - D. Approve the Senior Trip to Branson, MO.
- 5. Board Discussion and Action:
 - A. Approve the bid for resurfacing the track from Byrne & Jones for \$221,500 to be paid with Health, Life Safety Funds, except for \$50,000 from the Maintenance Grant FY26.
- 6. Reports:
 - A. Elementary Principal's Report
 - B. Junior High/High School Principal's Report
 - C. Technology Coordinator's Report
 - D. Superintendent's Report
 - E. Unpaid School Fees & Negative Lunch Balance Report
- 7. Personnel Report:
 - A. Approve the intent to retire for Lori Pool as the Spanish/Psychology Teacher, effective at the end of the 2025-26 school year.
 - B. Approve the resignation of Michelle Steeples as a Para Educator, effective November 25, 2025.
 - C. Approve the maternity leave for Jennifer Hamilton, Para Educator, effective May 20, 2026 until the end of school. She intends to return for the 2026-27 school year.
 - D. Approve Kim Gilbert as a part-time (3 hrs.) Para Educator for Pre K, effective Dec. 4, 2025.
 - E. Approve Dana Haxel as a Pre K monitor, effective Jan. 5, 2026.

Superintendent's Comments

Tax Levy

The tax levy for 2025, which will be applied in 2026 on property taxes, is a rate of 3.75. This is a bit lower than last year's rate. However, tax payers will see an increase on their property taxes due to the value of their land

increasing known as the equalized assessed value. This increase in property value is 10.8%.

Policy updates

The Liberty School Board approved the first reading of PRESS policy. The final approval will be at the second reading in January 2026.

Track Bid

The Liberty School Board decided to wait to approve the lowest bid to resurface the track from Byrne & Jones for \$221,500, paid from Health, Life Safety Funds and the School Maintenance Grant FY26. It seemed higher than what was anticipated. The next step may be to have changes made to the specs and rebid in the future.

Senior Trip

The Liberty Seniors were approved to go to Branson, MO for their Senior Trip. This will take place April 13-15, 2026. Students will be participating in shopping at Tanger, going to The Track Amusement Park, and participating in Fritz's Adventure. Chateau Cove is where they will stay 2 nights with a heated pool and a great view of the lake.



