



FRESHMAN PARENT ORIENTATION
WELCOME TO
LIBERTY HIGH
SCHOOL

Administration

- **Dr. Harrison Bailey III**, Principal
- **Tara Richards**, Assist. Principal for Cur. & Instruction
- **Aida Rivera**, Assist. Principal, SSC 400 (A-E)
- **Wayne Whitaker**, Assist. Principal, SSC 800 (F-L)
- **Antonio Traca**, Assist. Principal, SSC 103 (M-Ri)
- **Jennifer Lasso**, Assist. Principal, SSC 112 (Ro-Z)
- **Fred Harris**, Athletic Director
- **Toni Derrington**, Dean of Students, Freshman Center
- **Mr. Langston Ross**, Community Service Coordinator

Passion & Purpose



Liberty Profile



- 2800 Students (9-12)
- Built in 1922 / Renovated in 2009
- 5 Buildings - Klein Classroom Center, The Commons, The Lab Center, The Student Activities Center, & The Memorial Gym

LHS Traditions

- Homecoming
 - Pep Rally and Dance
- Spirit Week
 - Hallway Decorating, Pep Rally, Rivalry football game
- The Bell
- Category 6 Student Cheer Section
- Graduation
- All College Week
- LHSGB - Bagpipes, Parades,
 - and Band trips



Connections & Impact

Community Events

- Athletic Events, Concerts, Theater performances, and Art Shows

Alumni

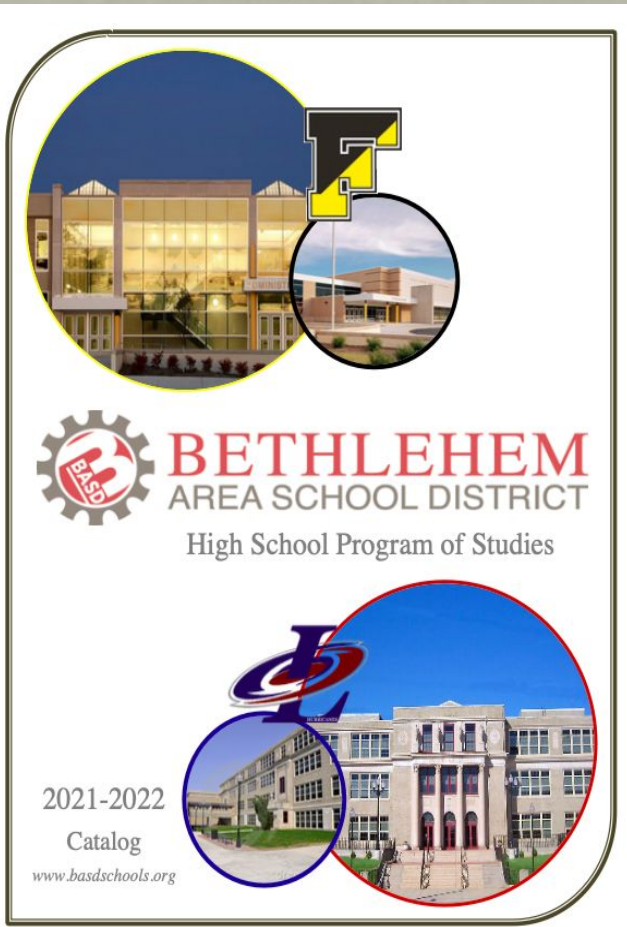
- Mayor J. William Reynolds, State Representative Steve Samuelson, Actor Jonathan Frakes (Star Trek), Community Activist Esther Lee, and Florida Congressman Ted Deutch
- LHS Staff

STUDENT SERVICE CENTERS

- SSCs are your first source of information for you and your students.
 - Counseling and guidance services
 - College and Career planning
 - Course selection and Registration
 - Community Social Services
 - Vacation Forms, Absences,
 - Early Dismissal Passes, etc.
- Counselors and SSC Assistant Principals are assigned by last name so siblings with the same name will have the same counselor and SSC Principal for all 4 years at Liberty.



Program of Studies



- The link to the [Program of Studies](#) website and a PDF of the Program of Studies is available online under “Academics” on the Liberty Website.
- Liberty counselors spend two days working through course selection with rising 9th graders.

26 credits required for Graduation

- English - 4 credits
- Social Studies - 3 credits
- Science and Math - 7 credits
- Health - 1 credit (0.5 in Grades 9 & 10)
- Physical Education - 2 credits (0.5 each year)
- Fine & Practical Arts - 1 credit
- Freshman and Junior Seminar - 1 credit
- Computer Science - .5 credit
- General Electives – 5 credits
- Community Service - 0.5 credits (60 hrs)
- Note: If college-bound, 3 Foreign Language credits are recommended
- Satisfactory demonstration of proficiency in Algebra, Literature (grade 10), and Biology.

Career Pathways

The driving force behind the BASD Pathways Program is that every student personalize his/her career and education plan beyond high school. The five BASD Pathways are:

- Arts & Communication
- Business, Law & Finance
- Health & Social Services
- Education
- Science, Technology, Engineering & Math



Careers Program

Learning the process to follow your passion and purpose:



- **EXPLORATION** * Freshmen Seminar (career interest inventory and develop student Life Plans)
- **EXPOSURE** * Career fair and interview professionals
- **EDUCATION** * Students in grade 11 identify the comprehensive academic path to career options including college/technical schools
- **EXPERIENCE** * Students in grade 12 will gain field experience in chosen career path through shadowing, internships, service learning, dual enrollment, etc.

- What is BAVTS & who should go???
- What is the Fast-Track Program?
 - Career exploration opportunity that will rotate students through all 23 programs offered at BAVTS. Students attend block 3 or 4 second semester.
- How do I apply?
 - Students should visit their MS counselor and fill out a BAVTS FastTrack application. More info:<http://bethlehemavts.org>
 - 610.866.8013



BETHLEHEM AREA

VOCATIONAL- TECHNICAL

FastTrack Program

LHS Wellness Center

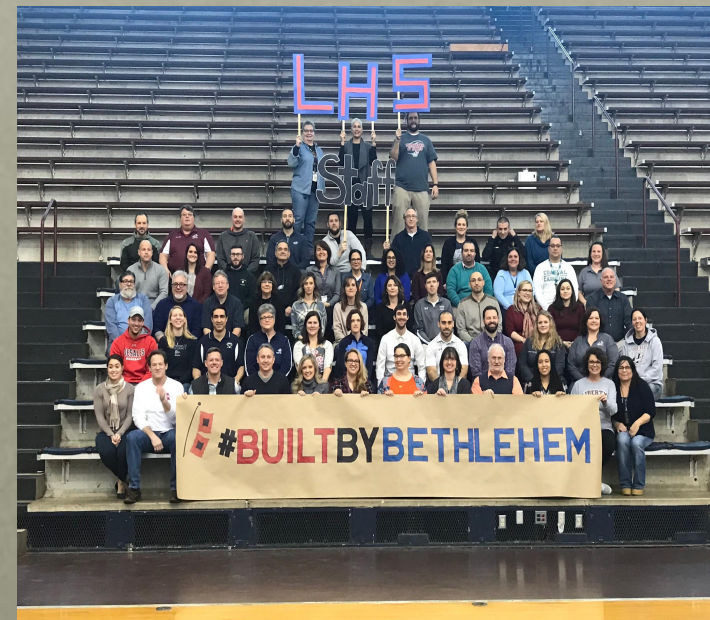
- Social/Emotional Health & Wellness Services
- Guidance counselor support
- Wellness Center
 - 2 Social workers, OT Interns
 - Student & family support
 - School-based therapy
 - Peace Room
- Outside Service Providers - Group/Indiv. Therapy
 - Community in Schools, Pinebrook, Center for Humanistic Change, Project Success, Resolve, & St. Lukes

Trauma Informed School

- Everyone continues to learn about the effects of **adverse childhood experiences** and **toxic stress**
- Everyone accepts the role of **Maslow's hierarchy** and the importance of meeting student's **needs**
- Everyone works to understand **self-regulation** and **mindfulness**
- Everyone strives to deepen **relationships** and build **hope** in our students
- 3 Tier Approach:
 - Individual / LHS Programs / Outside Services

SEL & Restorative Practices

- Mindfulness
- Build a stronger Liberty community
- Improve communication
- Improve relationships
- Provide leadership
- Improve school behavior
- Repair harm



FRESHMAN CENTER FOCI

- School within a school
 - (smaller environment)
- Transition to high school
- Integration of study skills within all courses
- Freshman Seminar course
- Restorative Practices integrated into health curriculum

Orientation Process

- 9th Grade Parent Orientation (January)
- Circle discussions at MS's (March)
- Meet the Administrators night (April)
- 8th grade visit to Liberty (April)
- 8th grade track meet (May)
- Welcome to LHS Day: Students & Parents (Aug)
- 1st Day of School (Aug)
- Student Activities Fair (Sept)
- First PEP Rally & Homecoming
- First Spirit Week

Community Service

- All students **must** complete a minimum of **60** hours of community service at an approved agency in order to graduate.
- Students & parents must sign an agreement regarding the community service requirements.
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- Students who complete 135 hours or more will be honored at graduation with the presentation of the silver cord.
- Up to 30 hours between 8th and 9th grade will be credited for service in the summer.



Support Services

ACADEMIC

- Canes Academic Support Program (homework club)
- After School Tutoring With Teachers
- NHS Peer Tutoring
- Mentoring

PERSONAL/SOCIAL

- Student Assistance Program
- Therapeutic Counseling
- Mentoring
- Parent Workshops
- Medical/Vision/Dental Vans

LIBERTY ATHLETICS

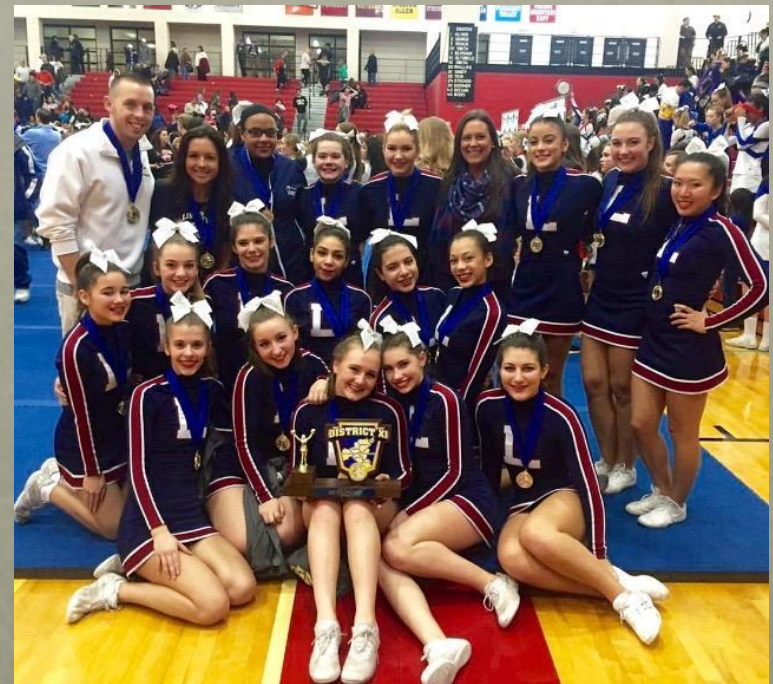
TEAMS:

Baseball	Lacrosse
Basketball	Soccer
Cheerleading	Softball
Cross Country	Swimming
Field Hockey	Tennis
Football	Track and Field
Golf	Volleyball
Rifle	Wrestling



FACILITIES:

Memorial Gym
Auxiliary Gym
Natatorium
Weight Training and Fitness Rooms
BASD Stadium
Tennis Courts
Baseball and Softball Fields
Practice Fields



GET INVOLVED!!!



Over 60 clubs and activities...

Aavidum, Adventure Club, Art Club, Bible Study Club, Book Club, Cancer Crushers, Cops-n-Kids, Dance Team, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, French/German/Spanish Clubs, Girls Learn International, G.R.A.S.S., NAACP Youth Council, Key Club, Jigsaw Puzzle Club, Knitting Club, Latino Youth Leadership Club, Mini Globe Trotters, Mini THON, Music Production Club, National Honors Society, Pinterest Club, Psychology Club, SADD, Sign Language Club, Ski and Snowboard Club, Social Injustice Club, S.T.A.R., STEM, Step Team, Strategy Club, Table Tennis, Video Production Club, Weight Lifting Club, Welcome Team, Chess Team, Debate Team, DECA, Mathematics Team, PJAS, Robotics, Scholastic Scrimmage Team, Science Olympiad, Student Government, Band, Orchestra, Women's Chorale, Liberty Theater Liberty Life, Cauldron, Young Writer

Incoming 9th grade class dues will be \$120.00 for 4 years.
Dues will include a yearbook, senior breakfast, and cap and gown.

Department chair

Email with Questions



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Thank you !

We will remain here for questions ???