



SHAMROCK SHOUT OUT!

OCTOBER 2015

October Events

2nd – Intramural Sports for Gr. 5-6 till 4:00
5th – 1st Gr. Thistleberry Farm Field Trip
6th – Fire Safety Day KDG & 1st Gr.
6th – PTO Meeting in Library 3:15
6th – John Glenn School Board mtg. 7 PM
7th – Fire Trucks visit the school during lunch
8th – Serve and Protect Day: Police visit
9th – End of 1st Grading Period
10th – 6th Gr. Volleyball Tourney @ WES
12th-16th – Book Fair Week
12th – Grandparents/VIP Day 3rd & 6th Gr.
13th – Grandparents/VIP Day 1st Gr.
13th – 4th Gr. Owl Prowl Field Trip 6:15 PM
14th – Grandparents/VIP Day 2nd Gr.
15th – Grandparents/VIP Day 4th & 5th Gr.
16th – Grandparents/VIP Day KDG
20th – Parent/Teacher Conf. 3:15-7:15
21st – Parent/Teacher Conf. 3:15-7:15
21st – Before & After Care Open House @ WES 6:30
23rd-27th – Fall Break – No School

Join the 4H Club



It's time to start a new 4-H year! With clubs and projects ranging from robotics to rabbits, fashion to foods, crafts to cows, lego's to leathercraft and in every county, parish, and territory of the U.S. 4-H has something for everyone, no matter where you live! 4-H is open to ALL children ages Kindergarten through 12th grade. Enrollment begins on October 1, 2015 through January 15, 2016.

Liberty Township 4-H Club will be having an information and enrollment day 2-4 pm on November 1, 2015 at the North Liberty Elem. School in the cafeteria & computer lab. If you have questions, email: libertytwp4h@live.com or call 574-656-8371.

Book Fair Week Oct. 12-16th

The book fair is available in the back gym during Grandparents/VIP Day and at scheduled classroom visits. Below is the link if ordering online is preferred.
<http://bookfairs.scholastic.com/homepage/northlibertyelementarysch>

Grandparents/VIP Week October 12-16

This date is different from what is in the school calendar. We had some unforeseen circumstances that caused us to move this wonderful event one week later. Thank you for accommodating your schedule. This special day is from 8:30-9:30 with some light snacks and a drink. PTO will be taking pictures for this special event at \$1.00.

Oct. 12 Monday: 3rd & 6th Grade

Oct. 13 Tuesday: 1st Grade

Oct. 14 Wednesday: 2nd Grade

Oct. 15 Thursday: 4th & 5th Grade

Oct. 16 Friday: KDG

Before & After Program: "Lights on Aftercare"

A day of celebration for Aftercare programs across the nation. We are spotlighting the need and importance of Aftercare programs for our youth.

Where: Walkerton Elementary School

When: Wednesday Oct. 21, 2015

Time: 6:30 pm to 7:30 pm

Activities: Face painting, games and snacks

Gr. 4-6 Science Fair is November 12

Grades 4-6 will begin the scientific process for their required project. The science teachers are instructing the students on the process and creating classroom deadlines to help plan a well developed experiment. Ms. Marks – 4th, Ms. Traub – 5th & Mrs. Weiss – 6th teach Science so contact them with your questions. Projects will be displayed in the main gym on Nov. 12

6th Graders on a Mission for Jax!

When Lucy Franklin heard the news about Mrs. Bogard's son Jax, she knew help was needed. Lucy enlisted the help of some fellow 6th graders and began a school wide coin collection. Derek Orsund, Nathan Marshman, Joe Delinski, Maddie Hudspeth, Madison Platz and Lucy Franklin spoke to students encouraging them to donate and have a chance to win some Super Hero socks. The Shamrock family raised \$1001.24 to help Jax and the Bogard family. Wow!

Veteran's Day Nov. 11 @ 1 PM

A form is included to invite Veterans to 1 PM program at NLES. Contact Mrs. Walden with questions.

A great place to learn, teach, lead and succeed.

Red Ribbon Week Activities



October 21st – 30th 2015

“Respect Yourself and Others too!”

This year’s Red Ribbon Emphasis will be, “Respect Yourself and Others too.” It is our responsibility to stay away from drugs and to not bully others around us.

October 21, 2015

Wednesday– *Together Against Bullying: Wear orange and a hat!*

Today is wear orange and a hat to make bullying come to an end.

Show that we stand together, so no one stands alone.

Eat lunch with a new friend and show that we are united for kindness, acceptance, and inclusion.

October 22, 2015

Thursday – *School Spirit Day: Wear your Shamrock/Wildcat gear!*

Today is wear your Shamrock/Wildcat gear.

Support and appreciate your school and staff. Do a kind deed for a staff member and tell them they are appreciated.

October 28, 2015

Wednesday – *Paws-itively Drug Free: Wear red and bring a stuffed animal!!*

Today is wear red and bring a stuffed animal!

Sign your pledge to be drug free and hang it on your locker.

October 29, 2015

Thursday – *Awareness of Others: Wear the color to support a cause!*

Today is wear the color of a cause. Be aware of what others may be struggling with daily.

Examples of causes are Cancer, Autism, Arthritis, Down Syndrome, and many others.

October 30, 2015

Friday – *Celebrate Yourself and Others: Dress creatively!*

Today is Crazy Hair, Crazy Clothing, or Mismatch/Backwards Day!

Thank you for encouraging your child to be Respectful to themselves and others. Choosing to be Drug-free and Bully-free will lead to a life of kindness, acceptance, and success. If you have any questions, please contact your child’s teacher or Mrs. Melanie Heiser, NLES/WES Counselor.

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North Liberty Elementary School



MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
NO SCHOOL	Hot Dog/bun Baked Beans Golden Corn Apple Wedges Snack Mix	Cheesy Bread Tomato Soup Garden Bar Banana Juice Chocolate Chip Cookie	1 Oven Roasted Chicken Baby Baker Potatoes Mixed Vegetables Bread/butter Diced Pears	2 Fish Filet Oven Baked Fries Green Beans Corn Bread Muffin Applesauce
5 Cheese Pizza Slice Garden Bar Mixed Vegetables Grapes	6 Pulled Pork Sandwich Rst Baby Reds Creamy Cole Slaw Diced Peaches Vanilla Pudding	7 Soft Shell Taco Refried Beans Celery Sticks Golden Corn Banana	8 Chicken Smackers Dinner Roll Garden Bar Green Beans Diced Pears	9 Hot Ham & Cheese Sand Tri Tater Baby Carrots Apple Wedges Juice
12 Hamburger/bar Oven Baked Fries California Blend Veg Baked Beans Grapes	13 <u>Breakfast for Lunch</u> Scrambled Eggs Apple Bosco Stick Crispy Cubed Potatoes Celery Sticks, Juice Mandarin Oranges/pineapple	14 Chicken Drumstick Mashed pot/gravy Roasted Baby Carrots Dinner Roll Banana	15 Rotini/meat sauce Garden Bar Mixed Vegetables Cheese Filled Bread Stick Diced Pears	16 Mini Corn Dogs Green Beans Tri Tater Applesauce
19 Chicken Patty/bun Baked Beans Steamed Broccoli Mixed Fruit Carnival Cookie	20 BBQ Rib Sandwich Scalloped Potatoes Carrot Coins Cinnamon Apples	21 Tangerine Chicken/rice Dinner Roll Garden Bar Sweet Peas Diced Peaches	22 Pepperoni Calzone Baby Carrots Golden Corn Fruit Fruit Slushie	23 NO SCHOOL FALL BREAK
26 NO SCHOOL FALL BREAK	27 NO SCHOOL FALL BREAK	28 Hot Dog/bun Baked Beans Golden Corn Apple Wedges Snack Mix	29 Chicken Nuggets Mashed Potato/gravy Mixed Vegetables Dinner Roll Diced Pears	30 Cheese Br Stix/sauce Garden Bar Mixed Fruit Juice Harvest Sugar Cookie

News

**Breakfast offered daily
in cafeteria**

Full Pay: \$1.25

Reduced: .30

Lunch

Full Pay: \$1.80

Reduced: .40

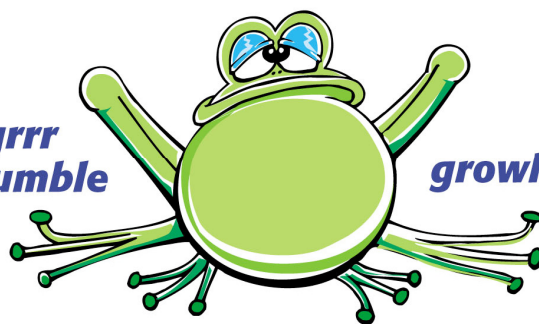
**Students must select a
fruit and or vegetable
with each meal.**

**Milk is included with
all meals.**

Enjoy your fall break!!

WHY

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grumble*



start the day with a growling stomach?

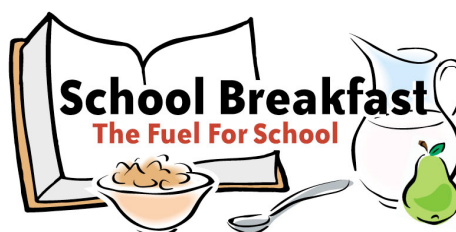
Come to School Breakfast everyone is welcome!

School Name: No. Liberty El

Breakfast Times: 7:45 - 8:00

Prices: \$1.25 Reduced .30

Location Served: Cafeteria



October 2015

John Glenn School Corporation

BREAKFAST



School Information:

Full Pay: \$1.25 Reduced .30
Students must select a fruit or juice



Nutrition Tip: MyPlate recommends: Start with breakfast. Eat a breakfast that helps you meet your food group needs. People who skip breakfast often weigh more. Eating a nutrient-dense breakfast may help you lose weight and keep it off.

Monday



Tuesday

Wednesday



Thursday

Friday

Cereal
Pop Tart
Fruit
Juice

5

Breakfast Pizza
Fruit
Juice

6

Cheese Omelet
Muffin
Fruit
Juice

7

Cereal
Muffin
Fruit
Juice

1

Apple Frudel
Fruit
Juice

2

Cereal
Power Bar
Fruit
Juice

12

Cinnamon Swirl Roll
Str/Pineapple Smoothy
Fruit

13

Sausage Biscuit
Fruit
Juice

14

French Tst Sticks
Warm Applesauce
Juice

15

Cherry Frudel
Fruit
Juice

16

Cereal
Pop Tart
Fruit
Juice

19

Breakfast Pizza
Fruit
Juice

20

Cheese Omelet
Muffin
Fruit
Juice

21

Breakfast Bites
Fruit
Juice

22

NO SCHOOL

23

NO SCHOOL

26

NO SCHOOL

27

Cereal
Power Bar
Fruit
Juice

28

French Tst Sticks
Warm Applesauce
Juice

29

Cherry Frudel
Fruit
Juice

30

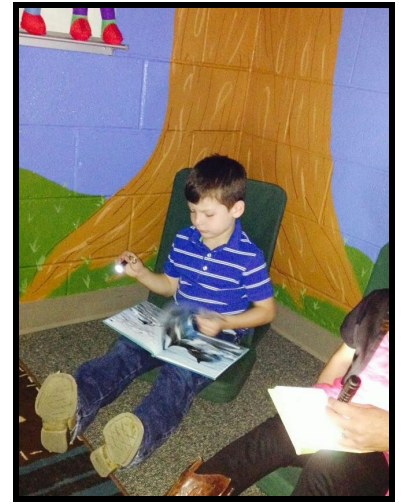
The Swoop Scoop

"Swoop" is a nickname for our Title I Program. Students in grades K–3 may qualify for extra reading support each semester thanks to a federally funded program for which JGSC qualifies.

Our groups are led by our dedicated **Swoop Crew**. Monday through Thursday, our instructional aides work within K–3rd grade reading classes. Some students work in the Swoop room in the afternoons for short periods. The students work in consistent small groups with reading lessons led by an instructional aide. Our Swoop aides are **Mrs. Craft, Mrs. MacLeod, Mrs. Tibbs, and Ms. Zoellner**. **Mrs. Amy Weiss is the Title I teacher at NLES**. Mrs. Weiss alternates between students in order to work with each student several times throughout the semester.

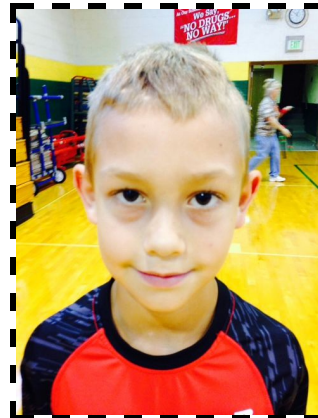
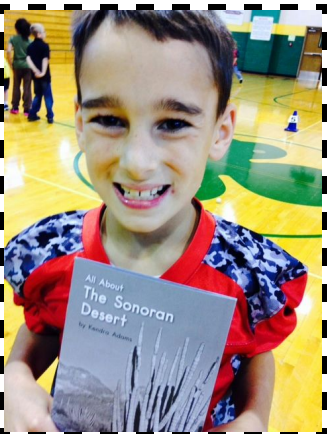
On September 17, we were excited to host Camp Swoop. Over 50 children and 40 adults were here for flashlight reading, making lanterns, story time, campfire singing, and s'mores! Thank you to the families who came that evening! We have more events throughout the year. Mark your calendar for the next one: Game Night on January 20! Fun photos below and more are up on the North Liberty Elementary Facebook page. :)





Small Group Spotlight:

Third graders in Ms. Zoellner's group recently read a non-fiction book about the plants and animals in the Sonoran Desert. Drew K. learned that there is a cactus taller than a house! "Some cactuses have big spines!" Zander F. said. Logan T. liked learning about the little owls that seek shade in a hole in a saguaro cactus. Reading sure takes you places! Read on!



Mrs. Weiss, Title I teacher

Mrs. Craft, Title I Instructional Aide
 Ms. Zoellner, Title I Instructional Aide
 Mrs. Tibbs, Title I Instructional Aide
 Mrs. MacLeod, Title I Instructional Aide



You are your child's most important teacher! Thank you for your support and teamwork! Mrs. Weiss

Gym-NEWS-ium

6th Graders - Archery

The NLES 6th grade students recently held their Archery tournament to display the skills that they have been learning during their last several weeks of class. The students have had a thrilling time. Thank you to Mrs. Bers and Mrs. Rice who have been helping every morning with the archery students through this exciting and fun unit.



5th Graders - Bowling

Fantastic fun was had by all as the 5th grade class went to Chippewa Bowl for the end of their bowling unit this year. 83 students and 14 chaperones bowled while many other parents stopped in to join in the excitement. Each student applied the skills that they learned in PE class and bowled two complete games on 1 of the 28 lanes used by NLES.



4th Graders - Golf As a culmination to the Golf classes, 4th grade students visited the Tri-Way Family Golf Facility in Plymouth to practice the new skills that they learned on September 15th. 80 students and 18 chaperones had a beautiful day to spend on the Mini Golf course. A shotgun start and everyone was through the course in 2 hours as everyone "putted" along. Many students showed off their new abilities by scoring several hole-in-one's.



Fall PE Fundraising - 11/2 through 11/16

World's Finest Chocolate bought out Market Day last year and is the new annual PE fundraiser. The annual PE fundraiser has helped NLES purchase new equipment for the students in the last few years. Some items under consideration for future fundraising \$ include bicycles, climbing wall, and inflatable bumper balls. The expected delivery of this years order is 12/10/2015, just in time for Christmas presents for family and friends. So please support our fantastic new NLES fundraiser so we can continue to provide one of the most exciting PE programs around.



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October

Walkerton and North Liberty Elementary Schools

Melanie Heiser, Counselor

SHORT NOTES



Family volunteers

You've heard of parent involvement. How about family involvement? Ask your youngster's school about ways your whole family can help out. Perhaps you could all pitch in to rake leaves or pick up litter on the playground over the weekend. You'll have fun together—and the school will appreciate the extra hands!

Line them up

Sometimes kids get math problems wrong simply because they haven't lined up the numbers correctly. Try this. Have your child work problems on graph paper, using one box per number. Once he gets used to this system, he'll be able to transfer his lining-up skills to regular paper.

Avoid bad language

How can you keep your child from using bad language? Stay calm, and make a quiet suggestion. Say, "We don't use that word. Can you think of a better one?" Getting angry often just lends power to the bad words and makes them seem more interesting to kids.

Worth quoting

"We worry about what a child will become tomorrow, yet we forget that he is someone today." *Stacia Tauscher*

JUST FOR FUN



Q: Why did the little girl jump up and down after taking her medicine?

A: She forgot to shake the bottle first!

Studying—the buddy way

Picture your child and a friend sitting at the kitchen table, school books open, working hard.

That picture can come true with one simple ingredient—a study buddy. Encourage your youngster to pair up with a friend, and you'll find her looking forward to homework time! Here are some ideas for getting started.



● **Choose carefully.** Suggest that your child look for someone in her class so they'll have the same work to do. She'll want someone she likes, but it doesn't have to be her best friend. Encourage her to find a study buddy who is a hard worker and can concentrate quietly.

● **Pick a meeting place.** If your youngster lives close to her study buddy, they can take turns going to each other's houses. Or they could meet at the library, if you or the other parent can drive and chaperone.

● **Create a routine.** Encourage kids to set up a routine to follow during study sessions. *Example:* "Math assignments, then silent reading, then test review." Having a plan will help them focus and work more effectively.

● **Leave room for fun.** Offer study buddies a healthy snack before they start. Suggest a physical

activity break—halfway through their study time they could stop to do 10 jumping jacks. And make sure they have time left to play when they've finished their work. ♥

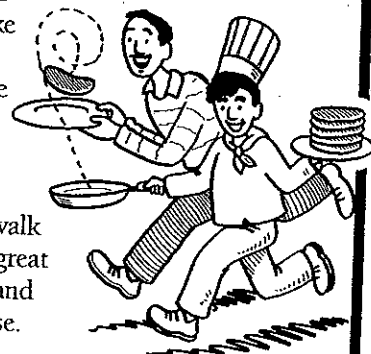
Fit in family time

Families are busier than ever these days, making time together all the more precious. Try these fast and fun ways to unwind and connect with each other.

Start a weekend ritual. Stay in your pajamas on weekend mornings to read stories or make a pancake breakfast. Small, cozy rituals like these can create lasting family memories.

Go around the block. Take a short walk after dinner. This is a great way to be together—and sneak in a little exercise.

Share a hobby. Do you like to sketch? Invite your kids to draw alongside you. Do your children enjoy jigsaw puzzles? Try working on one together. Sharing your interests will bring you closer. ♥



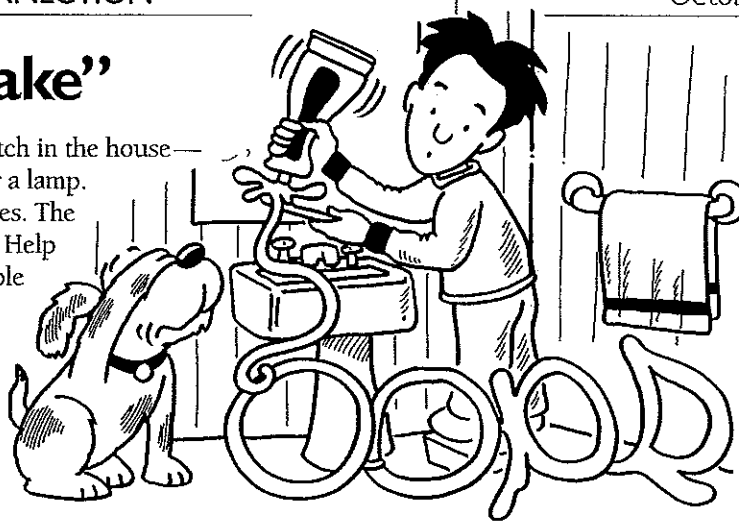
"I made a mistake"

Daniel and a friend were playing catch in the house—against your rules—and knocked over a lamp.

What now? Everyone makes mistakes. The important thing is to learn from them. Help turn your child's mistakes into teachable moments with these strategies.

Admit it

Children sometimes are afraid to 'fess up. They're scared they will be scolded or punished, or that they won't seem perfect in their parents' eyes. To encourage your youngster to come forward, give him a chance to explain. ("Daniel, do you know what happened to the lamp?")



Prevent it

Finally, encourage your youngster to figure out how to keep this mistake from happening again. Have him come up with a specific solution for the future. ("I'll remember our rules and won't play ball in the house.") ♥

Review it

When your child makes a mistake, talk about what went wrong and what he could have done differently. Ask him how he can turn the mistake around. ("I will save money from my allowance to help pay for repairing the lamp.")

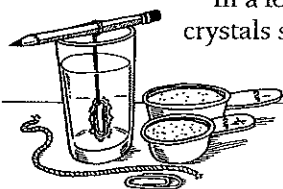
ACTIVITY CORNER

Home-grown crystals

Your youngster's face will sparkle when she sees water turn into crystals before her very eyes. Show her how with this easy science experiment.

Materials: 1¼ cups of sugar, a glass of warm water, a few inches of string, a pencil, a paper clip

Stir the sugar into the water until it dissolves. Next, tie the paper clip to one end of the string and the middle of the pencil to the other. Then, lay the pencil across the top of the glass so the paper clip hangs in the water.



In a few days, sugar crystals should form on the paper clip.

Explain to your child that as the water evaporates, the sugar that had been dissolved in the water becomes solid again, forming crystals. Save the crystals by removing them from the water to dry. For colored crystals, stir in a few drops of food coloring when you mix the solution. ♥

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To provide busy parents with practical ideas that promote school success, parent involvement, and more effective parenting.

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A+ book reports

Q: My son just found out he has to write his first book report. How can I help him?

A: The first thing he needs to do is get organized. Start by looking at the assignment together. Then, write the due date on a calendar, and talk about how long he will need for each step.

If the assignment allows your youngster to choose a book, encourage him to find one he thinks he will like. Together, figure out how many pages he should read each day to finish on time.

Before your child begins reading, suggest that he write these headings on a piece of paper: "Title," "Author," "Setting," "Main characters," "What I like about the book," and "What I don't like about the book." Have him fill in the categories as he goes. That way, he'll have all the information he needs to make writing the report a snap! ♥



PARENT TO PARENT

Name no names

When we got Internet access at our house last year, friends told me to teach my children not to give out personal information online. But I wasn't sure what counted as "personal information." I asked my son's teacher, and he spelled it out for me.

Mr. Collins said a good rule of thumb is to teach kids not to give out specific person or place names. This includes the names of friends, relatives, their school, and even the name of our town. If they mention family and friends online, he suggested they use code names. Mr. Collins also told me to make sure my children make up screen names that don't identify them by name or gender.

Now that my kids are following the "no-names" rule, I feel much safer when they are online. ♥



5th & 6th Grade Intramurals

September 29, 2015

Welcome to intramurals. As always we look forward to a fun and exciting year. Each Friday the 5th and 6th grade students may stay after school for one hour to exercise, play games, and have lots of fun! Attendance each Friday is **not** mandatory. There will not be intramurals on the Friday before scheduled school breaks. We are really excited to begin this year, but to make this experience as fun as possible, there are some rules that must be observed and followed by all students.

Follow all of the Lifelong Guidelines and Lifeskills. This includes:

Quietly wait on the edge of the stage for the teacher.
Good sportsmanship and NO PUT DOWNS!
Encourage others.
HAVE FUN!!!!

If these rules are broken, the offender will be sent to the penalty box. If there is still a problem that student may be asked to sit out for one or more intramural sessions. Serious violations will be handled by the administration. Students will need to be picked up by 4 pm. If your child is going home with someone else, he/she **MUST** have a note. Two late pick-ups will result in the loss of one intramural session. If more than four late pick-ups occur, you may be dismissed from intramurals. If you have a conflict please see the teacher to (possibly) make alternate arrangements.

Parents and students need to sign and return the lower portion of this letter. Intramurals will begin Friday, October 2, 2015. You must have your signed permission slip to attend.

Thank you,

Ms. Marks

-----5th & 6th Grade Intramurals 2015-2016-----

I give my child, _____, permission to participate in intramurals.

My child _____ will be picked up _____ will go to after school _____ will walk or ride

If the student is going home a different way than listed above, he/she will need to bring a note

Child's homeroom teacher _____ Grade _____

Phone number during the day _____ during intramurals _____

Emergency contact _____ phone number _____

Parent Signature _____ Date _____

NORTH LIBERTY VETERANS DAY PROGRAM
NOVEMBER 11TH @ 1:00PM
NLES MAIN GYM

Please let us know any veteran that will be attending.

*Please indicate if your veteran is a World War II Veteran.
Invite all Veterans even if they do not have children, etc at
the school.*

Thank you,
North Liberty Staff

Veteran(s)_____
