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Big Brothers Look Out for Future Redskins

Big brother is looking out for little brother in Liberal. This summer the Liberal High football players are working out alongside West Middle School and South Middle School 7th and 8th graders. It's part of LHS coach Wade Standley's Country Club. Athletes workout from 7:30 to 9:30 a.m. at Powerhouse Gym (LHS weightroom). To boost attendance, Standley assigned his high school players with a middle school "little brother." The LHS player is responsible to provide rides for the middle school kids who need a ride in the morning. The middle school kids are too young to drive and many don't have any other way of making it to the high school. Standley says whether they are Apaches or Warriors, they are all Redskins.

"We are bringing the 7th and 8th graders in during the same time as our high school kids. We work separately and do different things. But the advantage is we've started a big brother program this summer. A lot of these 7th and 8th graders don't have the opportunity to get here so we have high school kids who have volunteered to sign up for that. They will have a 7th or 8th grader who they will go and pick up every morning and when we finish up they'll take them home. That is going to build some comraderie. I think it's good they get to spend some time around those varsity guys."

The LHS football staff seeks to develop skills at an even younger age with the Youth Country Club July 7-29th for kids from 3rd-6th grades from 10:30-11:30 a.m. Monday through Thursday. Standley says those kids will be instructed by the high school coaches. "We will work strength and flexibility and beginning training," the 2nd year LHS head coach Standley said. "We'll work on beginning training of speed and agility and beginning training of football techniques and fundamentals. We have a lot of fun with them." Standley says they began the camp with the idea of leading the young kids straight into their youth league football in August. The camp is free and entry forms will be available at the camp or at Angryred.com.

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