



Linn-Mar High School Student and Parent Announcements and Updates December 8, 2020



ANY NEW INFORMATION IS **HIGHLIGHTED IN YELLOW**. ANY EXTRA EMPHASIS IS **HIGHLIGHTED IN GREEN**.

LMHS will be ONLINE-ONLY through December 11:

All Linn-Mar schools, including LMHS, will be online-only through December 11. **We are restarting Hybrid learning on December 14, with Group 'B' students coming to campus.** Group 'A' students will be on-site on December 15. **ALL CLASSES CONTINUE ONLINE-ONLY AS SCHEDULED THROUGH DECEMBER 11, USING THE LMHS 2nd QUARTER HYBRID SCHEDULE.**

It is imperative during this online-only period that parents continue to contact the LMHS Health Office (447-3080, 447-3081, or 447-3082) for all Exposures/Close Contacts and all Positive Cases. We will continue to contact trace through the LMHS Health Office. Thank you for your attention to this.

Week #13... December is here...

Tuesday,	December 8	<i>LMHS Hybrid 2nd Quarter Schedule – All Online</i>
Wednesday,	December 9	<i>LMHS Hybrid 2nd Quarter Schedule – All Online</i>
Thursday,	December 10	<i>LMHS Hybrid 2nd Quarter Schedule – All Online</i>
Friday,	December 11	<i>LMHS Hybrid 2nd Quarter Schedule – All Online</i>
Saturday,	December 12 8:00 a.m.	ACT @ LMHS (enter at Door #3) On-Site Practices and Rehearsals Resume
Monday,	December 14 5:00 p.m.	<i>*LMHS Hybrid 2nd Quarter Schedule – Group B Onsite</i> JV2 Girls Basketball vs. Iowa City Liberty (LM Main Gym)

***Notes on the Calendar**

12/14 LMHS returns to the LMHS Hybrid 2nd Quarter Schedule with Group 'B' onsite.

Future

12/17 LMHS Parent Conferences (Online) (4:30-7:30 p.m.) (Priority again given to those in most need of support based on current class performance. **Parents will be receiving conference invitations in the coming days.** Information on how to sign up for remaining conference spots will be in the Friday *Updates*.

12/23 Winter Break Begins – No Classes until January 4, 2021

COVID-19 Related:

Student Assistance Counselors Available to All Students including Online-Only Students: Student Assistance Counselors are also available to provide support to online-only students via virtual meetings or phone calls. Please reach out to any of the counselors via email, phone call, or Teams to schedule a meeting:

- Janessa Carr: janessa.carr@linnmar.k12.ia.us (319) 892-4884
- Jessica Deahl: jdeahl@linnmar.k12.ia.us (319) 730-3559
- Kevin McCauley: kmccauley@linnmar.k12.ia.us (319) 447-3047

Any student may contact Student Assistance Counselors, School Counselors, or Academic Assistance Counselors at any time when at school or online.

As of 12-8-20, we have 603 students taking online-only (9th = 150; 10th = 159; 11th = 152; 12th = 142). (All LMHS students will be online through December 11).

Link to District COVID-Related Numbers: (from the Superintendent's Office)

[Dashboard link](#)

It is imperative during this two-week hiatus from Hybrid that parents continue to contact the LMHS Health Office for all Exposures/Close Contacts and all Positive Cases. We will continue to contact trace through the LMHS Health Office. Thank you for your assistance regarding this continued notification.

REPORTING OF COVID-19 RELATED ILLNESS, POSSIBLE EXPOSURE OR AN EXPOSURE

Should you ever have questions regarding what to do if any of the following occur, do not hesitate to contact our LMHS Health Office (447-3080) or Principal Jeff Gustason (447-3041).

Use the following link for steps to follow if your student is not feeling well and has symptoms of COVID-19, has close contact with a person who has tested positive for COVID-19, or has tested positive for COVID-19:

[Reporting of COVID-Related Illness or Possible Exposure.docx](#)

The link to the flowchart to be used by all buildings is included here for those interested:

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1RCsd8XbQNC0WEOFCWUGlrBfCyMMOcvKw/view>

1st Quarter

1st Quarter Grades: 'INC' (incomplete) work from 1st Quarter is now due on December 21.

2nd Quarter

Hybrid Schedule for 2nd Quarter We will return to the Hybrid Schedule on December 14, with Group 'B' on-site.

LMHS will continue with the Hybrid model through 2nd Quarter. You can use this link to view the LMHS 2nd Quarter Hybrid Schedule:

[Linn-Mar High School Hybrid Daily Schedule for 2nd Quarter 2020-21](#)

A reminder to students that RTI2 and RTI3 can be mandated by teacher request. If you are requested to RTI2 or RTI3 for any reason you are expected to attend the session for that given day. Students may also choose to attend any RTI session on any day.

Two-Hour Late Start Schedule: (if ever needed) [LMHS Two Hour Late Start Schedule for 2020-21](#)

An 'Online-Only' Day for either Weather event:

Should we have a weather event during our Two-Week Online-Only period (November 30-December 11) classes WILL continue with classes as scheduled unless stated specifically by the district in the notification. Reminder that we will use the LMHS 2nd Quarter Hybrid Schedule class times each day.

Specific Course Updates: (Students with non-class campus release may be online for any day a teacher must teach online).

Current update of Temporary, Online Classes and date on-site resumes:

All classes will meet online as scheduled through December 11. We will restart the Hybrid Schedule with Group 'B' onsite on Monday, December 14, with Group 'A' onsite on Tuesday, December 15.

Student Grade-Level Meetings in January:

We will be holding grade-level class meetings for students in the month of January. While the *Updates* are currently the main way of communicating to students and parents at this time, there are limitations. The grade-level meetings are intended to provide direct communication to students at each grade-level. These meetings will be held online. Each meeting will be approximately 15 minutes in length with time for student questions at the end.

12th Grade Online Class Meeting on Monday, January 18, at 8:30 a.m. (12th Grade Parent Online Meeting at 6:30 p.m.):

The 12th Grade Class meeting will focus on 2nd semester course work, Graduation planning, post-secondary planning, available student support (academic and social-emotional), updates regarding winter and spring activity planning ('Prom is On' – in whatever form we can safely have a Prom event we do intend to do so as scheduled on Saturday, May 15), and other information related to the *Class of 2021*.

11th Grade Online Class Meeting on Tuesday, January 19, at 8:30 a.m. (11th Grade Parent Online Meeting at 6:30 p.m.):

10th Grade Online Class Meeting on Wednesday, January 20, at 8:30 a.m. (10th Grade Parent Online Meeting at 6:00 p.m.): (please note the parent meeting is at 6:00 p.m. for 10th Grade as it is on a Wednesday evening)

9th Grade Online Class Meeting on Thursday, January 21, at 8:30 a.m. (9th Grade Parent Online Meeting at 6:30 p.m.):

The 11th-9th Grades Class meetings will focus on 2021-22 Course Registration information, Iowa Assessment planning, post-secondary planning, available student support (academic and social-emotional), updates regarding winter and spring activity planning, and other information related to each specific grade-level.

We are also having online Parent meetings for each grade-level in the early evening of the same day as the student grade-level meeting (see above for times). The focus of each parent meeting will be the same as for the specific grade-level. Because we will be providing information and answering questions during the student meetings, we want to ensure that Mom and Dad receive the same information as the students, as well as time for their own questions.

Course Registration Process for 2021-22 will take place in February:

The online course registration process for the 2021-22 school year will take place at the beginning for 3rd Quarter in February. The 2021-22 LMHS Program of Studies will be available on the school website in mid-January. Information for 2021-22 course registration will be sent to student email accounts for all 9th, 10th and 11th grade students in early February.

Advanced Placement (AP) Exam Sign-Up:

Updated information has now been posted regarding the second AP Exam sign-up window. Information will be posted in each AP class Schoology site. Students can also use this [Link](#) to access information on how to sign up for the AP Exam.

Parent Access to Schoology: Parents were sent student specific information for how to access Schoology. If you are having issues accessing Schoology, please contact Zachery.mixdorf@linnmar.k12.ia.us

If you are having difficulty with your school-issued computer: Use this link below:

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1dGwFUHz1jVnEPgBpiTcQhR719wvoAmn4y6GmmU1eDzA/edit?usp=sharing>

College and Career Center Information

PSAT Date for LMHS: (Sign-Up is currently taking place).

The date of the PSAT administered for Linn-Mar High School students is on **Tuesday, January 26, 2021**. The PSAT will be taken at the Doubletree Conference Center in downtown Cedar Rapids. Buses will load at Door #9 at 8:45 a.m. and return from the Doubletree at 1:00 p.m. The exam will begin at 9:30 a.m. at the Doubletree Conference Center.

Sign-up for 11th and interested 10th and 9th Grade students is now open and has been extended through December 18. Payment is made on the parent/guardian Powerschool account under "Purchases and Payments". By making payment your child will be registered for the PSAT. The cost to the student for the exam, payable at sign-up, is \$17. Contact the Cashier's Office at 447-3101 or jdayton@linnmar.k12.ia.us for any payment questions. Only 11th Grade students are eligible for National Merit Scholarships and Recognition. Again, the deadline for PSAT payment is now December 18. Lastly, students click [here](#) if you would like more PSAT information and a practice test.

College Admission Visits:

All admissions counselors will be scheduling virtual visits at Linn-Mar this year. Appointments will be made from noon-1:00 or 2:00-4:00. To find a current listing of college admission visits and the virtual meeting link go to:

<https://sites.google.com/a/linnmar.k12.ia.us/linn-mar-high-school-counseling/career>.

Linn-Mar High School Class of 2021 Planning:

Deadline to complete your Graduation order was November 25. Please contact the 11th-12th Grades Office (447-3070) after the 25th if you still need to order a cap, gown, tassel or victory stole.

Class of 2021 Diploma Name List Review: (Updated again)

The LMHS Class of 2021 Diploma Name List is updated as of today and available on the link below. Please review the name listing for yourself or for your daughter or son. If a change is needed to the spelling or any other change is needed, please contact hheater@linnmar.k12.ia.us with the correction. Diplomas will be ordered in early January. We need any changes prior to **December 18**. Thank you for ensuring the name printed on the diploma is correct.

[LMHS Class of 2021 Diploma List \(December 8\)](#)

Senior Pictures for 2020-21 Yearbook: REMINDER December 11 is this Friday!!!!

Senior Pictures Must be Submitted by December 11 to be in the 2020-21 LMHS Yearbook. Please click on the link below to view the senior picture guidelines, due date and submission instructions:

[Yearbook Senior Picture Due Date and Submission Instructions](#)

Activities

A. Here is the link for the REACH booklet, which is the listing of all current LMHS activities:

<https://sites.google.com/linnmar.k12.ia.us/lmhsreach/home>

B. **Athletics:**

All practices may resume on December 12.

Congratulations to our State Champion Linn-Mar Varsity Poms for taking 1st Place in Pom, 1st Place in Lyrical, Receiving the Judges' Choice in Pom and receiving the Sportsmanship Award at State Contest!

Congratulations to our Linn-Mar Varsity Pom Soloists at State Contest! Sarah Liang was 3rd Place, Darby Russell was 7th Place, and Camryn Heying received a 'Superior' rating! Awesome job, LMVP!

C. Fine Arts:

All 'in-person' rehearsals may resume on December 12.

Jazz Band Livestream 'Jingle-a-thon' on December 17: use this link to see the concert live

https://youtu.be/iEjudSLri_I

The LMHS Jazz Bands will be hosting a livestream (https://youtu.be/iEjudSLri_I) concert on Thursday, December 17 at 5:00 p.m. All four jazz bands will be performing. This event is replacing the annual 'Jazz-a-thon' which is the only LMHS Jazz Band Fundraiser. Enjoy the concert and as able, **please feel free to contribute to the LMHS Jazz Bands using any of the following platforms:**

1. Donate online at <https://tinyurl.com/LMJingleathon20>
2. Make a check to the Linn-Mar Foundation and write "jazz" in the memo,
3. NEW – text to give: text Linn-Mar to 319-774-4560 to make a gift. A receipt will be sent to you.
4. Employer Matching – Click here to see if your employer matches!
<https://www.linnmarfoundation.org/ways-to-support/matching-gifts/>

'Jingle-a-thon' Schedule

Click [here](#) for a schedule for *approximate* start times for each group. We would certainly not start a group earlier than listed, but given this is our first livestreamed event, there is the potential for some delays.

Contest Speech Sign-Up: Contest Speech will be happening this year. Most likely, judges will be coming to individual schools as opposed to having multiple schools at one venue for contest. Speech is open to any interested LMHS students. Interested students are encouraged to sign up for interested events using the following link:

<https://tinyurl.com/yxu2kmzs>

D. Clubs/Organizations:

Dungeons and Dragons Club Continues to Meet Virtually each Wednesday afternoon:

Dungeons and Dragons Club meets virtually on Microsoft Teams every Wednesday from 4:30-6:00 p.m. code onj7vta. If you have questions, please contact the club sponsor Mr. Griggs at tgriggs@linnmar.k12.ia.us.

Other Information

Breakfast/Lunch Information: Locations and times for food pick-up. Food pick-up will continue through December 11.

Free meals for all children 18 and under. Grab-and-go meals will be available Monday- Friday from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the following locations:

1. Bowman Woods Elementary 151 Boyson Road NE Cedar Rapids, IA
2. Linn Grove Elementary 2301 50th Street Marion, IA
3. Novak Elementary 401 29th Avenue Marion, IA
4. Westfield Elementary 901 East Main Street NE Robins, IA
5. Wilkins Elementary 2127 27th Street Marion, IA
6. Oak Ridge Middle School 4901 Alburnett Road Marion, IA
7. **Linn-Mar High School 3111 North 10th Street Marion, IA** at Door #10 (South)
8. Boulder Peak Intermediate 3920 35th Avenue Marion, IA
9. Marion Village Mobile Home Park 700 35th Street Marion, IA (located behind front office)
10. Squaw Creek Mobile Home Park 6201 Hennessey Parkway Marion, IA (parked on Navajo Drive)
11. Valley View Apartments 635 Ashton Place NE Cedar Rapids, IA
12. Chapel Ridge Apartments 1 Chapel Ridge Circle Marion, IA

***No ID or paperwork is required**

Picture Retakes are scheduled for Tuesday, January 12 and Wednesday, January 13. We will include more information for students about when to take pictures during these days in the coming weeks.

The Roar Store is Open for Online Ordering:

The new website for the Roar Store and online ordering can be found at <https://ia-linnmar-ss-lite.intouchrecepting.com/>

Attendance from November 20 – December 3 = 97.3%.

The next *LMHS 2020-21 Student and Parent Communication* will be sent on **Friday, December 11**. Announcements and Updates for LMHS Students and Parents will continue to be sent on Tuesday and Friday of each week from now through at least the end of 2nd Quarter.

From our LMHS Therapy Dogs, Bailey and Wrigley: “We both miss all of you!” “You can’t pet us right now, but we want to bring you some joy just by seeing us and letting you all know we cannot wait to be with all of you again!”

