

Linn-Mar High School Student and Parent Announcements and Updates February 16, 2021



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

Week #22...We will see warmer weather at some point...

Tuesday, February 16 3rd Quarter Hybrid Schedule - Group 'B' On-Site

7:30 a.m. 12th Grade Student Advisory via Teams

10:00 a.m. *V Girls/Boys Bowling State Qualifier @ Iowa City (Colonial Lanes)

4:15 p.m. Esports Overwatch Playoffs vs. Waterloo East (https://www.twitch.tv/lmhsesports)

6:00 p.m. 10th/V Boys Basketball @ Xavier

Wednesday, February 17 3rd Quarter Hybrid - Schedule - Group 'A' On-Site

All Day *V Wrestling State Dual Meet @ Des Moines 7:00 p.m. V Girls Basketball Regional @ CR Prairie

Thursday, February 18 3rd Quarter Hybrid - Schedule - Group 'B' On-Site

All Day V Wrestling State Individual Meet @ Des Moines

7:30 a.m. 11th Grade Student Advisory via Teams

6:00 p.m. 10th/V Boys Basketball vs. Waterloo West (LM Main Gym)

Friday, February 19 3rd Ouarter Hybrid Schedule – Group 'A' On-Site

All Day V Wrestling State Individual Meet @ Des Moines

Saturday, February 20

All Day V Wrestling State Individual Meet @ Des Moines

7:00 p.m. *V Girls Basketball Regional @ West Des Moines (Dowling Catholic)

Notes for the Week

2/15 3rd Quarter Hybrid Schedule: We will continue with the Hybrid Schedule as some students return to onsite every day.

V Boys Bowling dismissed at 9:10 a.m.

2/16 V Girls/Boys Bowling departing prior to 9:00 a.m.

2/17 Wrestling departing prior to 9:00 a.m.

2/20 V Girls Basketball (if win on Wednesday, February 17)

Future

2/22 LMHS Parent Advisory via Teams (6:30 p.m.)

2/23 10th Grade Student Advisory via Teams (7:30 a.m.)

2/25 LMHS Parent Conferences (4:30-7:30 p.m.) (Priority will again be given to those indicating the most need at this time).

3/1 9th Grade Student Advisory via Teams (7:30 a.m.)

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.

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

Dashboard link

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

3rd Quarter

Planning During the Week of February 15:

As of Noon today, these are our LMHS numbers for Tuesday, February 16:

Total Students: 2076 (does NOT include the COMPASS Center, Early Graduates, nor No Response students) Onsite Everyday (760), Hybrid (794), Online-Only (522), No Response (less than 20)

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12<sup>th</sup> Grade: Onsite Everyday (140), Hybrid (196), Online-Only (134), Hybrid 'A' (99) 'B' (97)
11<sup>th</sup> Grade: Onsite Everyday (190), Hybrid (176), Online-Only (134), Hybrid 'A' (90) 'B' (86)
10<sup>th</sup> Grade: Onsite Everyday (216), Hybrid (197), Online-Only (131), Hybrid 'A' (101) 'B' (96)
9<sup>th</sup> Grade: Onsite Everyday (214), Hybrid (225), Online-Only (123), Hybrid 'A' (106) 'B' (119)
(760) (398)
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Maximum Onsite Group 'A' Day = 760+396 = 1156
Maximum Onsite Group 'B' Day = 760+398 = 1158
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We are currently working to make needed adjustments for classrooms which may need to either be moved or bring in barriers to help in mitigation efforts due to higher numbers of students in classrooms. We are working to maintain socially distanced classrooms (6' between each student) as much as possible.

A few determinations have been made for all of 3rd Quarter at this time:

- a. The current daily schedule (used for 2nd Quarter) will be used for all of 3rd Quarter (with a high likelihood of 4th Quarter as well). This maintains the two RTI sessions (11:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m.).
- b. Campus Release (with parent approval) will continue during 3rd Quarter (with a high likelihood of 4th Quarter as well) so that students only have to be on campus during class time. We anticipate this also helping minimize the number of students during lunch hour which makes social distancing easier to maintain.
- c. Current Parking will remain the same at this time. While students may have to walk from further distances within the lot, maintaining campus release is expected to help allow campus parking for all students at this time.
- d. We will NOT distinguish if a student is in class in-person or in class and fully participating online the remainder of 3rd Quarter. A student in person or online and fully participating will be counted as attending. Please note this and discuss with your student as we have been working to this point to notify parents if your student was participating online when we expected the student to be in person.

Online-Only Student Course Material Pick-Up:

3rd Quarter Online-Only students may pick up course materials (as ready) in the 11th-12th Grades Office:

During the school day from 9:00 - 3:30 p.m.

Hybrid Schedule for 3rd Quarter

You can use this link to view the LMHS 3rd Quarter Hybrid Schedule:

Linn-Mar High School Hybrid Daily Schedule for 3rd 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 you are expected to attend the session for that given day. Students may also choose to attend any RTI session on any day.

Campus Release Reminders for 2nd Semester/3rd Quarter:

- 9th-10th Grade students with campus release may leave the building during periods/blocks with no scheduled class (schedule says "Campus Release"), RTI (if not requested), and during lunch.
- 9th-10th Grade students who choose to stay during your Campus Release period must report to the Learning Center (cannot be in the commons areas). 9th-10th Grade students who are not requested by a teacher yet choose to stay for RTI (always encouraged) must report to your 2nd block/4th period class for the morning RTI session and to your 4th block/8th period class for the afternoon RTI session.
- 9th-10th Grade students choose to stay for lunch may only go to assigned lunch period. Students must then report to the 2nd block/4th period classroom or to the Learning Center opposite their lunch period.

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 <u>Link</u> to access information on how to sign up for the AP Exam.

When you login to the payment portal you will now have 3 choices for payment instead of 2:

AP Exam Final Payment AP Exam2 AP Test Late SignUp

For any classes that started 1st quarter there is now a late fee of \$40 to take the test. (for a total of \$80) Those are the tests listed **AP Test Late Signup**. Those tests are: Biology, Calc AB, Calc BC, Computer Science Principles, Computer Science A, English

Language and Composition, Language: French, Macroeconomics, Music Theory, Physics 1, Physics C Electricity and Mag., Physics C Mechanics, Statistics.

The classes that started 2nd quarter and after have no late fee and are under **AP Exam2**. The cost is \$40. Those are: US Government and Politics, Chemistry, Comparative Government, Environmental Science, World History Modern, Physics 2, Psychology.

The **AP Final Payment** is \$46. If you choose one of the other two options and make the final payment, your payment will be complete. If you only choose **AP Exam2** or **AP Test Late Signup** you will have to pay the \$46 later online or on the test day in order to take the test.

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

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

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1dGwFUHz1jVnEPgBpjTcQhR719wvoAmn4y6GmmU1eDzA/edit?usp=sharing

LMHS Class of 2021 Planning

<u>LM Foundation Instagram Page for Class of 2021:</u> (from Shelley Woods, Executive Director, Linn-Mar School Foundation) Hello everyone! We now have a great volunteer who is going to run the Instagram page and provide Linn-Mar senior recognition with individual posts. Meet Ellie B. a 2020 Linn-Mar grad who is currently a Kirkwood student and is excited to help us.

- 1. Go follow linnmarseniors on instagram and encourage others in your circle to do so as well. Ask your child to follow and tell their friends too.
- 2. Have your child DM a photo and their future plans to the linnmarseniors Instagram page. Preferable a senior picture or a picture of just themselves. If the picture is not acceptable it will not be posted. Any comments not deemed positive on posts will be removed. There is no particular order as to when they will be posted. She is a student herself and a volunteer.
- 3. Follow along and give a like to each senior as they get posted!

LMHS Class of 2021 Senior Recognition Night is scheduled for Monday, May 10, at 7:00 p.m. in the Auditorium.

The LMHS Senior Prom (w/approved guests) for the Class of 2021 is scheduled for Saturday, May 15.

LMHS Class of 2021 last day of school is scheduled for Wednesday, May 26, with Graduation rehearsal (required) at 1:00 p.m. in the LM Main Gym.

Commencement for the *LMHS Class of 2021* is scheduled for Sunday, May 30, at 1:00 p.m. in the Alliant Energy PowerHouse in downtown Cedar Rapids.

Please contact the 11th-12th Grades Office if you **still need to order a cap, gown, tassel or victory stole**. https://highschool.herffjones.com/secom/home

2021-22 Course Registration

All Registration Information for 2021-22 for current 9th, 10th, and 11th grades can be found at:

2021-2022 Course Registration Information for current LMHS 9th, 10th, and 11th Grades students

A video for course registration from school counseling can be viewed at: 9th-11th Course Registration for 2021-22

Linn-Mar High School 2021-2022 Program of Studies:

Here is the link to the LMHS 2021-22 Program of Studies:

Linn-Mar High School 2021-2022 Program of Studies

College and Career Center Information

Scholarship Searches on Naviance:

Students looking for scholarships beyond the ones offered through the Linn-Mar Foundation are encouraged to find out what scholarships your college of choice may have as well as use Naviance for more national searches. Log into Naviance, go to 'Scholarships and Money' and then 'National Scholarship Search'. Please see your counselor if your are having difficulty locating this site.

Marion Community Promise Pursuit Grants:

"Check this out! **Marion Community Promise** offers **Pursuit Grants** to support student efforts to become trained and future ready. They want to help you pursue a career here at home. They know reading through applications can be overwhelming and confusing. Watch this brief video and sign up for a 15-minute learning session between March 1st-3rd with Emily, she'll be able to help you understand if this could work for you!" https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uoeE9SUnX9A&t=4s

LMHS Advanced Placement (AP) Exam Schedule for May 2021:

The AP Exam Schedule for LMHS students in May 2021 can be found at the following link:

LMHS Advanced Placement (AP) Exam Schedule for May 2021

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

Student 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:

LMHS Boys Swimming is 5th Place at the State Meet:

Congratulations to the LMHS Boys State Swimming Team for Placing 5th at the Boys State Swimming Meet!

LMHS State Placewinners: Aiden Carstensen – State Champion – 100 Backstroke (All-America Consideration); Cooper

Callahan – 2nd Place – 200 Freestyle (All-America Consideration); Cooper Callahan – 3rd Place – 500 Freestyle; 400 Freestyle

Relay (Cooper Callahan, Ian Steffen, Luke Richard, Aiden Carstensen) – 4th Place; Aiden Carstensen – 5th Place – 100

Butterfly; Ian Steffen – 6th Place – 100 Backstroke; 200 Yard Freestyle Relay (Cooper Callahan, Ian Steffen, Greg Gerst,

Aiden Cartensen) – 5th Place (All-America Consideration); Ian Steffen – 6th Place – 100 Backstroke; Luke Kelley – 9th Place –

500 Freestyle; Ian Steffen – 12th Place – 100 Freestyle; Luke Kelley – 14th Place – 200 Freestyle! Congratulations, Lions!

A big 'thank you' to all of the volunteers who helped at the Boys State Swimming Meet held Saturday at the LM Aquatic Center!

LMHS Wrestling Wins District Meet and Qualifies Seven for State Meet:

Congratulations to the LMHS Wrestling Team for winning the District Meet on Saturday and for qualifying seven district champions and state qualifiers! LMHS Wrestling State Qualifiers: Kane Naaktgeboren (120 lbs.), Braden Parke (126 lbs.), Bryce Parke (132 lbs.), Grant Kress (138 lbs.), Abass Kemokai (152 lbs.), Tate Naaktgeboren (160 lbs.), and Luke Gaffney (220 lbs.)! Congratulations and Good Luck at State, Lions!

LMHS Wrestling Team Qualifies for State Dual Tournament:

Congratulations to the LMHS Wrestling Team for Qualifying for the State Wrestling Duals Tournament! Our wrestlers will compete against Waverly-Shell Rock at 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday. You can view the meet by going to the IAHSAA website (iahsaa.org). Good Luck Lion Wrestlers!

LMHS Bowlers Compete in State Qualifier Meet Today:

Good Luck to the Varsity Girls and Boys Bowling Teams as they compete in the State Meet Qualifier today in Iowa City!

LMHS Girls Basketball Regional Tournament Begins on Wednesday Night:

Good Luck to the Varsity Girls Basketball Team as they begin tournament play at Cedar Rapids Prairie on Wednesday night!

Use this link to watch specific LMHS Winter Athletic Events Live:

Linn-Mar Winter Athletic Events on You Tube

C. Fine Arts:

May Concerts Scheduled for Lowe Park:

The LMHS Music Department has planned spring concerts for May in the Lowe Park Klopfenstein Amphitheater. Concert Bands will be performing on Tuesday, May 25. Orchestras will be performing on Thursday, May 20. Choirs will be performing on Tuesday, May 18. More details will be released as the concert dates approach.

D. Clubs/Organizations:

LMHS Esports Overwatch Team Qualifies for State Playoffs:

Congratulations to the LMHS Esports 'Overwatch' Team for Qualifying for the State Playoffs! The team will compete against Waterloo East on Tuesday at 4:15 p.m. Watch the matches live on the Linn-Mar Esports twitter feed: https://www.twitch.tv/lmhsesports Go Lions! See Mr. Johnson (bjohnson@linnmar.k12.ia.us) if you have questions or interest in the team.

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 (<u>tgriggs@linnmar.k12.ia.us</u>).

Other Information

Driver Education at Kirkwood Community College:

Communication from Kirkwood C.C. is that information regarding Driver Education is currently "up in the air" and they won't know anything specific until the end of March as to whether they will have Driver Education and what class sessions may look like. Any Kirkwood C.C. Driver's Ed inquiries should to be directed to the Continuing Ed Dept at KCC: 319-398-1022.

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.intouchreceipting.com/

Attendance from February 5 - February 11 = 97.8 %.

The next *LMHS 2020-21 Student and Parent Communication* will be sent on Friday, February 19, 2021. 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 3rd Quarter.