



Linn-Mar High School Student and Parent Announcements and Updates February 19, 2021



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

Week #23...Mid-Term is Approaching...

Monday,	February 22	<p>*3rd Quarter Hybrid Schedule – Group ‘B’ On-Site</p> <p>2:00 p.m. *Colton Center Jazz Corridor Jazz Performance (Colton Center)</p> <p>6:30 p.m. LMHS Parent Advisory via Teams</p> <p>7:00 p.m. V Boys Basketball Substate vs. CR Prairie (LM Main Gym)</p>
Tuesday,	February 23	<p>3rd Quarter Hybrid Schedule - Group ‘A’ On-Site</p> <p>7:30 a.m. 10th Grade Student Advisory via Teams</p> <p>4:15 p.m. LMHS Esports Overwatch State Semi-final vs. Newman Catholic (Mason City)</p>
Wednesday,	February 24	3rd Quarter Hybrid - Schedule – Group ‘B’ On-Site
Thursday,	February 25	<p>3rd Quarter Hybrid - Schedule – Group ‘A’ On-Site</p> <p>4:30 p.m. *LMHS Parent Conferences via Online</p>
Friday,	February 26	<p>3rd Quarter Hybrid Schedule – Group ‘B’ On-Site</p> <p>Deadline to Declare Credit/Fail for 3rd Quarter</p> <p>Deadline to Drop Classes for 3rd Quarter</p> <p>7:00 p.m. *V Boys Basketball @ Johnston</p>
Saturday,	February 27	<p>10:00 a.m. *Speech Individual District Contest @ LMHS</p>

Notes for the Week

- 2/22 Colton Center Jazz dismissed at 1:45 p.m. Will go back to class at 2:45 p.m.
- 2/26 V Boys Basketball if win on 2/22.
- 2/25 LMHS Parent Conferences: Remaining open conference times will be available on Tuesday. Priority is again given to those students currently showing more need.
- 2/27 Speech: For LMHS students only with judges.

Future

- 3/1 9th Grade Student Advisory via Teams (7:30 a.m.)
- 3/16 Spring Break begins
- 3/20 Spring Break ends

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

Current Numbers as of February 19:

Total Students: 2115 (does NOT include the COMPASS Center nor Early Graduates)

Onsite Everyday (778), Hybrid (799), Online-Only (533), No Response (5)

12 th Grade: Onsite Everyday (145), Hybrid (197), Online-Only (136),	Hybrid 'A' (99)	'B' (98)
11 th Grade: Onsite Everyday (190), Hybrid (178), Online-Only (140),	Hybrid 'A' (105)	'B' (73)
10 th Grade: Onsite Everyday (224), Hybrid (196), Online-Only (135),	Hybrid 'A' (101)	'B' (95)
9 th Grade: Onsite Everyday (219), Hybrid (228), Online-Only (122),	Hybrid 'A' (107)	'B' (121)
	(778)	(412) (387)

Maximum Onsite Group 'A' Day = 778+412 = **1190**

Maximum Onsite Group 'B' Day = 778+387 = **1165**

There are more students in classrooms now. 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:

- 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.).
- 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. 9th
- 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. **While we have more vehicles parking in the campus lots at this time, plenty of spaces remain available in our lots during the day.**
- 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.

Hybrid Schedule for 3rd Quarter

Use this link for 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 [Link](#) 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.

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/1dGwFUHz1jVnEPgBpjTcQhR719wvoAmn4y6GmmU1eDzA/edit?usp=sharing>

LMHS Class of 2021 Planning

LMHS Class of 2021 Clothing Sale Sponsored by LMHS Student Council:

Student Council has created LMHS Senior Class of 2021 clothing. The link for the sale is below and will close on March 14th. There is an option for students to have orders sent to their house or the school where student council will distribute them. Check out the LMHS Class of 2021 Clothing:

<https://class21.itemorder.com/sale>

LM Foundation Instagram Page for Class of 2021: (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>

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 you 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 Wrestling Has Seven Competing at the State Wrestling Meet:

At this time, our LMHS Wrestling State Qualifiers are through the quarterfinal round: Currently, **Bryce Parke** (132 lbs.) and **Tate Naaktgeboren** (160 lbs.) remain in the championship bracket and will wrestle in the semi-final round tonight. **Kane Naaktgeboren** (120 lbs.), **Braden Parke** (126 lbs.), **Grant Kress** (138 lbs.), **Abass Kemokai** (152 lbs), and **Luke Gaffney** (220 lbs.) are in the consolation bracket! **Good Luck in the Semi-Final round and consolation rounds, Lions!**

LMHS Wrestling Team Places 6th in the State Dual Team Tournament:

Congratulations to the LMHS Wrestling Team for placing 6th in the State Dual Team Tournament on Wednesday! The Lions lost 28 – 42 to top-seeded Waverly-Shell Rock, then defeated #4 seed Fort Dodge (50 – 29) and lost to #7 seed Norwalk (21 - 56). Congratulations Lions!

LMHS Girls Basketball Advances in Regional Tournament:

The LMHS Girls Basketball team defeated CR Prairie in the first round of Regional play on Wednesday night! Good luck to the team as they face Dowling Catholic on Saturday night!

LMHS Boys Basketball begins Sub-State Tournament on Monday:

Good luck to the LMHS Boys Basketball team as they begin sub-state play on Monday night at 7:00 p.m. vs. CR Prairie in the LM Main Gym!

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

[**Linn-Mar Winter Athletic Events on You Tube**](#)

C. *Fine Arts:*

LMHS Speech has Two Large Group Events Named All-State:

Congratulations to the LMHS Speech Team for having two events named Large Group All-State!

TV News Broadcasting: Isabella Albright, Jacqueline Anderson, Arianna Elmer, Alec Helmle, Ian McKinney, Maya Neymeyer, Isabel Sherman, and Sam Vint have been named All-State!

Short Film: Colin Gilund, Maddie Nuss, Maya Neymeyer, Peter Kamp, and Shourya Singh have been named All-State!

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 Advances to Semi-Final Round in State Playoffs:

Congratulations to the LMHS Esports Overwatch Team for Advancing to the State Playoff Semi-Finals! The team will compete against Newman Catholic (Mason City) on **Tuesday at 4:15 p.m.** Our team is: **Jacob Yearous** (Captain), **Reece Howell**, **Richard Phan**, **Jack Larson**, **Jacob Kluetz** and **Caiden Abbott**. Watch the match live on the Linn-Mar Esports twitter feed: <https://www.twitch.tv/lmhsesports> **Good Luck Lions Overwatch Team!** See Mr. Johnson (bjohnson@linnmar.k12.ia.us) if you have questions or interest in joining the team.

LMTV Continues to Broadcast Every Two Days:

A big ‘thank you’ to our LMTV crew for their work in providing announcement broadcasts every two days! The LMTV crew this year is **Ian McKinney, Jacqueline Anderson, Mason Miller, Sam Vint, Arianna Elmer, Peter Kamp, Colin Gillund, Leah Santana, Lia Scharnau, Isabel Sherman, Kinsey Widdel, Alec Helmle, and Addie Sleezer!**

A special LMHS salute to LMTV’s Ian McKinney who has gone above and beyond to keep LMTV on the air through the pandemic by writing and coordinating the broadcasts from our remote “bureaus” throughout the district as well as working with his younger brother Leo as they assemble the weekly LMTV broadcast for Excelsior. Ian has also coordinated the broadcasts of LMHS sports this past summer, fall, and during our winter season! LMHS salutes and thanks Ian McKinney for all of his leadership to keep LMTV and LMHS athletics ‘on the air’ during the pandemic!

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 (tgriggs@linnmar.k12.ia.us).

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.intouchrecepting.com/>

Attendance from February 12 – February 18 = %.

The next *LMHS 2020-21 Student and Parent Communication* will be sent on **Tuesday, February 23, 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.