

Linn-Mar High School Student and Parent Announcements and Updates February 9, 2021



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

Week #21...Valentine Week...

Tuesday, February 9 3rd Quarter Hybrid Schedule - Group 'A' On-Site

4:20 p.m. Esports Overwatch Iowa Tournament

6:00 p.m. JV1/V Girls Basketball @ Iowa City Liberty

Wednesday, February 10 3rd Quarter Hybrid - Schedule - Group 'B' On-Site

6:00 p.m. V Wrestling Duals Qualifier (LM Main Gym)

Thursday, February 11 3rd Quarter Hybrid - Schedule - Group 'A' On-Site

4:00 p.m. *JV2 Girls Basketball @ CR Prairie (Prairie Point)
7:00 p.m. *JV2 Girls Basketball @ CR Prairie (Black) (LM Main Gym)

9th Boys (Black) Basketball vs. CR Prairie (Orange) (Auxiliary Gym)

Friday, February 12 3rd Quarter Hybrid Schedule – Group 'B' On-Site

4:00 p.m. *JV/V Girls/Boys Bowling @ CR Washington (Lancer Lanes)

4:30 p.m. Online Course Registration for 2021-22 Closes

6:00 p.m. JV1/V Girls Basketball vs. Iowa City High (LM Main Gym)

10th/V Boys Basketball @ Iowa City High

Saturday, February 13

9:00 a.m. 9th Boys (Red/Black) Basketball @ CR Prairie (Prairie Point)

12:00 a.m. V Wrestling District Meet @ CR Prairie

12:30 p.m. *V Boys Swimming State Meet @ LM Aquatic Center

3:00 p.m. V Boys Basketball @ WDM Valley (Dowling Catholic HS Gym)

Notes for the Week

2/11 JV2 Girls Basketball dismissed at 2:50 p.m.

2/12 JV/V Girls/Boys Basketball dismissed at 2:40 p.m.

2/13 V Boys Swimming State Meet is being held at the LM Aquatic Center (also broadcast on KCRG 9.2)

Future

12th Grade Student Advisory via Teams (7:30 a.m.)
11th Grade Student Advisory via Teams (7:30 a.m.)
LMHS Parent Advisory via Teams (6:30 p.m.)
10th Grade Student Advisory via Teams (7:30 a.m.)
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

The LMHS Parent Declaration Link has been emailed to every LMHS parent. Please complete the form asap for each student declaring Onsite-Only, Hybrid, or Online-Only. Thank you for your attention to this. The Link is below:

LMHS Declaration of Learning Model from February 15 – April 8, 2021

<u>Planning Regarding Legislative Action for Onsite School Attendance</u>:

The Governor has signed the bill requiring schools offer the option of on-site everyday for students. Starting on Monday, February 15, the new law requires all schools to allow students to choose on-site attendance every day for classes. From February 2 – February 12, LMHS will be using the current Hybrid Schedule (with Online-Only) with Group 'B' students reporting on Tuesday, February 2.

Planning is underway for how to maintain social distancing within the building given a higher number of students. Once these plans are final we will let everyone know. 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. We will make changes to this if we find we have more vehicles to park than actual parking spaces.

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

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

Course Registration Process for 2021-22 is This Week: February 8 - 12:

The online course registration process for the 2021-22 school year is taking place this week from February 8 -12.

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

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

National Merit Scholarship Opportunity via Alternative:

With the cancellation of the PSAT due to weather on January 26, LMHS Juniors who still wish to try for National Merit Scholarships may do so following the following three steps:

- 1) Visit https://forms.nationalmerit.org/alternateentry immediately to complete the Alternate Entry Form. You cannot be considered in the 2022 National Merit Scholarship Program unless you complete this online form no later than Thursday, April 1, 2021.
- 2) Register for and take an official administration of the SAT given by June 2021.
- 3) Request the College Board SAT Program send an official report of your SAT scores to NMSC (code 0085). *The SAT Program will not report your scores to NMSC unless you request it.* You cannot use a photocopy of the score report sent to you or to your high school as a substitute for the official report.

Please see your school counselor should you have additional questions regarding the alternative pathway.

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 State Swimming Qualifiers:

Congratulations to the LMHS Boys State Swimming Team for Winning the District Swimming Title and for Qualifying 10 events for the Boys State Swimming Meet! LMHS State Qualifiers: 200 Yard Freestyle Relay (Aiden Cartensen, Greg Gerst, Ryan Horsey, Luke Richard), 200 Freestyle (Cooper Callahan, Luke Kelley), 50 Freestyle (Greg Gerst), 100 Butterfly (Aiden Carstensen, Luke Richard), 100 Freestyle (Ian Steffen), 500 Freestyle (Cooper Callahan, Luke Kelley), 200 Freestyle Relay (Aiden Carstensen, Ian Steffen, Greg Gerst, Cooper Callahan), 100 Backstroke (Aiden Carstensen, Ian Steffen), 100 Breaststroke (Gavin Beech, Greg Gerst), and the 400 Freestyle Relay (Cooper Callahan, Ian Steffen, Ryan Horsey, Luke Richard)! Good luck at State, Lions!

The **Boys State Swimming Meet** will be held on **Saturday, February 13, at the Linn-Mar Aquatic Center** at 12:30 p.m. No Spectators are allowed inside the facility for the meet. The meet will be **broadcast live on KCRG 9.2 beginning at 12:00 p.m.**

Congratulations to our Boys Swimming MVC All-Division Selections: Swimmer of the Year (Cooper Callahan), 200 Free (Cooper Callahan-1st Team, AJ Helmle-Honorable Mention); 50 Free (Greg Gerst-2nd Team); 100 Fly (Aiden Carstensen-1st Team, Luke Richard-2nd Team, Ryan Horsey-Honorable Mention); 100 Free (Ian Steffen-1st Team); 500 Free (Cooper Callahan-1st Team); 200 Free Relay (1st Team-Aiden Carstensen, Ian Steffen, Greg Gerst, Cooper Callahan); 100 Backstroke (Aiden Carstensen-1st Team, Ian Steffen-2nd Team); 100 Breaststroke (Blake Behrens-Honorable Mention); 400 Free Relay (1st Team-Cooper Callahan, Ian Steffen, Ryan Horsey, Luke Richard).

LMHS Wrestling District Meet and Dual Team Qualifier This Week:

Good Luck to the LMHS Wrestling Team as they compete in the Dual Team State Meet Qualifier at LMHS on Wednesday night beginning at 6:00 p.m.! And, Good Luck to the Wrestlers as they compete in the District Meet on Saturday at CR Prairie HS beginning at 12:00 p.m.!

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

Linn-Mar Winter Athletic Events on You Tube

C. Fine Arts:

Thespian Show is Now Available For Viewing Through February 11:

The Linn-Mar Drama Department is proud to announce the release of this year's Thespian Murder Mystery play "Lead Rings on the Merry-Go-Round." The recorded production is available for viewing through Thursday, February 11. Tickets are free but donations will be accepted. You can visit https://lmhstheatre.ticketleap.com/lead-rings/ to view the show.

D. Clubs/Organizations:

LMHS Esports Overwatch Team:

The undefeated Overwatch Team received a bye in the first round of playoffs. They are expected to play again in February. 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 (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.

<u>The Roar Store is Open for Online Ordering:</u>
The new website for the Roar Store and online ordering can be found at https://ia-linnmar-ss-lite.intouchreceipting.com/

Attendance from February 2 - February 3 = 97.4 %.

The next LMHS 2020-21 Student and Parent Communication will be sent on Friday, February 12, 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.