



Linn-Mar High School Student and Parent Announcements and Updates November 10, 2020



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

Week #9...Last Week of 1st Quarter...

Tuesday,	November 10	LMHS Hybrid 1st Quarter Schedule – Group B on-site (P5-8/B3-4 RTI)
	7:30 a.m.	10 th Grade Student Advisory (via Teams)
	12:00 p.m.	11 th Grade Group ‘B’ Student Pictures (Food Court)
	4:00 p.m.	11 th Grade Online-Only Student Pictures (Food Court)
Wednesday,	November 11	LMHS Hybrid 1st Quarter Schedule – Group A on-site (P1-4/B1-2 RTI)
	7:30 a.m.	National Intent Signing Ceremony (South Commons)
	12:00 p.m.	11 th Grade Group ‘A’ Student Pictures (Food Court)
Thursday,	November 12	LMHS Hybrid 1st Quarter Schedule – Group B on-site (P1-4/B1-2 RTI)
		Last Day of 1st Quarter
Friday,	November 13	Teacher Collaboration Day – No Classes
	11:00 a.m.	LMHS Faculty Meeting via Teams
		V Girls Diving State Meet @ Marshalltown
	5:00 p.m.	V Girls Swimming State Meet Prelims @ Marshalltown
Saturday,	November 14	
	12:00 p.m.	V Girls Swimming State Meet Finals @ Marshalltown

*Notes on the Calendar

Future

- 11/16 1st Day of 2nd Quarter using LMHS 2nd Quarter Hybrid Schedule (link is in ‘2nd Quarter’ segment)
- 11/25 Holiday Break – No Classes
- 11/26 Thanksgiving – No Classes
- 11/27 Holiday Break – No Classes
- 12/23 Winter Break Begins – No Classes until January 4, 2021

COVID-19 Related:

No Change for LMHS at this time. The district is making changes with PK-6 going ‘Hybrid’ through December 22, and Excelsior Middle School going to ‘online-only’ through November 30. **There are no planned changes for LMHS at this time.** Linn-Mar High School will continue as scheduled with the LMHS 1st Quarter Hybrid Schedule through Thursday (November 12) of this week and begin using the LMHS 2nd Quarter Hybrid Schedule on Monday, November 16.

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](#)

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

Last Two Days of 1st Quarter (tomorrow and Thursday):

FYI...Some teachers may be focusing the last two days of 1st Quarter (Wednesday and Thursday) on students who need to complete work or need more support and focus prior to the end of the quarter. This is an option that teachers may use to help everyone finish the quarter successfully. If a teacher is choosing to do this, they will inform parents and students. Students with campus release do not have to attend if excused by the teacher. Students without campus release will remain in the class even if not requested. Again, only some teachers may be using the next two days in this manner. Many, if not most, teachers will continue to operate classes as normal, or maybe it should be called 'hybrid normal'.

Specific Course Updates:

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

Now through November 12:

World History (Borchers) 1st Block
Intro. Psych. (Borchers) 3rd Block
Intro. Psych. (Borchers) 4th Block

Now through November 12:

Biology (Rowland) 2nd Block
Biology (Rowland) 3rd Block
Biology (Rowland) 4th Block

Now through November 18:

Adv. English II (K. Kelley) 1st Block
Creative Writing (K. Kelley) 2nd Block
Adv. English II (K. Kelley) 3rd Block

Now through November 12:

Spanish III (Gaylord-Robertson) Period 1
Spanish III (Gaylord-Robertson) Period 2
Spanish III (Gaylord-Robertson) Period 3
Spanish V (Gaylord-Robertson) Period 5
Spanish III (Gaylord-Robertson) Period 6
Spanish III (Gaylord-Robertson) Period 7

Now through November 12:

English II (Mollman) 1st Block
Cont. Lit. (Mollman) 3rd Block
English II (Mollman) 4th Block

Now through November 12:

Geometry (Boesenberg) Period 1
Algebra IA (Boesenberg) Period 2
Geometry (Boesenberg) Period 4
Geometry (Boesenberg) Period 6
Algebra IA (Boesenberg) Period 7
Algebra IA (Boesenberg) Period 8

Now through November 12:

Earth Science (McDermott) 2nd Block
Earth Science (McDermott) 3rd Block
Earth Science (McDermott) 4th Block

Now through November 12:

Reading/Writing (Gail) 1st Period
Reading/Writing (Gail) 3rd Period
Reading/Writing (Gail) 4th Period
Reading/Writing (Gail) 5th Period
Reading 2 (Gail) 7th Period
Reading/Writing (Gail) 8th Period

Now through November 12:

TAG 1 (Hajek) Period 5

Students with non-class campus release may be online for any day a teacher must teach online.

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>

2nd Quarter

Hybrid Schedule for 2nd Quarter

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](#)

'Returning' from Online-Only to Hybrid for 2nd Quarter 'Building Tour' on Friday, November 13:

Students who are starting Hybrid for 2nd Quarter after being Online-Only for 1st Quarter have the opportunity to tour the building on Friday, November 13, from 1:00-3:00 p.m. Students must enter at Door #3 and check-in at the 9th-10th Grades Office. LMHS Student Ambassadors will be escorting students on the tours.

Advanced Placement (AP) Exams (Signup and Payment) (updated):

Registration Window #1 is now open for Advance Placement Exam Registration. **Students taking AP classes that began at the start of the school year and “Exam Only” students need to order their exams by Friday, November 6th.** Examples of Exam Only students are Online APEX AP classes (1st and 2nd semester), Physics C and self-study (including students retaking exams for a better score).

“Important AP Reminder: Any student who is taking an AP class that started 1st quarter and wants to take the exam must declare on College Board’s website **YES** to taking the exam and pay the \$40 deposit by Nov 6th, 2020. If you do not declare and pay before Nov 6th and decide later you want to take the test you will have to pay a \$40 late order fee.”

The **total cost of an AP exam is \$86** this year. **\$40 is due now to order your exam.** The remaining \$46 will be due on exam day. Payments can be made online at the **Linn-Mar Online Payment Portal** or in person to **Mrs. Dayton in the Linn-Mar High School Cashier’s Office.**

The ordering process has changed from previous years. Paper order forms **will not** be utilized. **To complete your AP exam order**, login to your class section on the **myap.collegeboard.org** site, using the **section code provided by your teacher**, and **change your Exam Registration choice from “Undecided” to “Yes”.**

The AP Exam Registration Window #1 closes on Friday, November 6th. All payments must be turned in by the deadline to have an exam ordered for you. Here is an update link for how to register and pay for your exams:

[InTouch AP Exam Instructions.docx](#)

Here is the information that was presented by AP teachers regarding registration for AP Exams. Use this updated link:

[AP Slide Deck 1st ordering window \(Updated\).pptx](#)

Hallway Traffic Adjustments for 2nd Quarter:

We will be placing ‘roundabouts’ at the Four Corners and Door #4 areas beginning at 2nd Quarter. This adjustment should still keep hallway traffic moving while also allowing for quicker routes for students to and from classrooms. We will keep the one-way designations for stairs at Door #13. We are also considering adjusting the one-way stairs at Door #14 and Door #15. After watching student hallway traffic for almost eight weeks during Hybrid schedule days, we do not see any compromising of student safety by making these adjustments. These adjustments will NOT be made until the first day of 2nd Quarter, November 16.

College and Career Center Information

PSAT Date for LMHS: (Sign-Up began this week)

The date of the PSAT administered for Linn-Mar High School students on **Tuesday, January 26, 2021.** The PSAT will be taken at the Doubletree Conference Center in downtown Cedar Rapids. Once transportation is arranged and details are finalized we will let everyone know. 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 continues through December 4. Sign-up is in the Cashier’s Office and cost to the student, payable at sign-up, to take the exam is \$17.** Only 11th Grade students are eligible for National Merit Scholarships and Recognition.

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>.

LMHS Class of 2021 Planning:

Instructions To order your Graduation Cap, Gown, Tassel & Victory Stole

The LMHS *Class of 2021* Cap, Gown, Tassel and Victory Stole are now available for order. All students planning to go through Commencement in May must have a Cap, Gown, Tassel, and Victory Stole for the graduation ceremony. Below is information for how to order these as well as any other graduation products as you may wish. The vendor for our Cap, Gown, Tassel, Victory Stole and Diplomas is Herff Jones (Greta McChesney is our rep.). If you have any questions regarding the ordering process or about LMHS *Class of 2021* Commencement in general, please contact the 11th-12th Grades Office. Steps for ordering are listed below:

- 1 - Once you open the link (below), scroll down to just under the lead photo. In the gray ribbon, you will need to type in the school name and choose **Linn-Mar High School**. Click on the word **NEXT** on the far right of the gray ribbon.
- 2 - Chose the section that says **Shop Grad Products**. (This is where you can shop for items in packages. If you want to shop for items individually, go to step 3).
- 3 - Scroll to the very bottom of this page and click on the small green ribbon that says, “SHOP INDIVIDUAL PRODUCTS INCLUDING CAP AND GOWN”.

Deadline to complete your Graduation order is November 25.

<https://highschool.herffjones.com/secom/home>

Class of 2021 Diploma Name List Review: (Updated)

The LMHS Class of 2021 Diploma Name List is updated 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 the start of winter break (**December 18**). Thank you for ensuring the name printed on the diploma is correct.

[Linn-Mar High School Class of 2021 Diploma Name List \(November 2020\)](#)

Senior Pictures for 2020-21 Yearbook:

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:***

**Congratulations to V Girls Swimming for qualifying nine events for the Girls State Swimming Meet!
Good Luck to V Girls Diving and Swimming at the Girls State Swimming Meet on Friday and Saturday!**

National Letter of Intent Signing Ceremony Tomorrow Morning (November 11):

National Letter of Intent Signing Ceremony is Wednesday, November 11, at 7:30 a.m. in the South Commons.

- C. ***Fine Arts:***

Congratulations to LM Orchestra on the release of the fall concert video!

- D. ***Clubs/Organizations:***

Online-Only Student 2019-20 Yearbook Pickup:

Starting on Monday, online-only students who ordered a 2019-20 LMHS Yearbook may pick them up in the College and Career Center during office hours when students are in the building (8:25-4:00 p.m.). In the College and Career Center, there will be a white binder with instructions on how to sign out their yearbook. Any questions can be emailed to me at kinguyen@student.linnmar.org.

Other Information

Attendance **last** Week: (Friday through Thursday) **97 %**

Breakfast/Lunch Information: For those wanting locations and times for food pick-up.

<https://www.linnmar.k12.ia.us/news/usda-temporarily-provide-free-breakfast-lunch-lm-students/>

11th Grades Student Pictures next week:

LifeTouch will be taking 11th Grade **Group B** student pictures on Wednesday. Pictures will be taken in the Food Court on the following days: *Wednesday, November 11* 11th Grade Group 'A' (12:00 – 4:00 p.m.)

Picture Ordering Information: Those also interested in ordering your student's school picture may do so online:

1. Visit mylifetouch.com
2. Enter the LMHS Picture Days ID **EVTXSC27N**
3. Order your preferred package so you do not need to bring anything on LMHS Picture Days. We also have picture order forms in the grade-level offices and Main Office if you prefer instead of the online process.

Retakes will be 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.

9th Grade parents may have also received notification regarding student pictures from Elite Photography. We took individual pictures for the Class of 2024 class photo as we were not able to take a group picture. Any of these photos are available for you if you are interested. We apologize if there was some confusion for receiving the two picture forms. The Elite Photography photo was for the class picture. The LifeTouch photo is for the yearbook and School ID.

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/>

The next **LMHS 2020-21 Student and Parent Communication** will be sent on **Friday, November 13**. 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.