



Linn-Mar High School Student and Parent Announcements and Updates November 13, 2020



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

Week #10...Bring it on 2nd Quarter...

Monday,	November 16	<i>LMHS Hybrid 2nd Quarter Schedule – Group A on-site</i> <i>First Day of 2nd Quarter</i>
Tuesday,	November 17	<i>LMHS Hybrid 2nd Quarter Schedule – Group B on-site</i>
Wednesday,	November 18	<i>LMHS Hybrid 2nd Quarter Schedule – Group A on-site</i> Deadline to Add Classes for 2nd Quarter
	4:30 p.m.	1st QUARTER GRADES DUE
	7:00 p.m.	Pom Preview Show (LM Main Gym)
Thursday,	November 19	<i>LMHS Hybrid 2nd Quarter Schedule – Group B on-site</i> 3:00 p.m. *V Poms State Solo and Team Competition @ Des Moines
Friday,	November 20	<i>LMHS Hybrid 2nd Quarter Schedule – Group A on-site</i> Deadline to Declare Credit/Fail for 1st Semester
	6:00 p.m.	V Girls/Boys Basketball H. of F. Scrimmage vs. Marion (LM Main Gym)
Saturday,	November 21	

***Notes on the Calendar**

11/19 V Poms dismissed at 9:45 a.m.

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:

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.

***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.*

As of 11-12-20, we have 537 students taking online-only (9th = 137; 10th = 140; 11th = 133; 12th = 127).

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

1st Quarter Grades: Grades are due for classes receiving grades for 1st Quarter on November 18 at 4:30 p.m. Grades still need to be finalized after this date. For parents and students this simply means you will be able to see your updated transcript with 1st Quarter grades and updated grade point average (g.p.a.) on December 8. This is typical and allows the two weeks for any 'INC' (incomplete) grades to be completed. In most instances, the 1st Quarter grade in a class you see on PowerSchool after November 18 will be the final grade for the quarter. A reminder that 'skinny' courses in Foreign Language, Math and Music do not give grades for 1st Quarter.

Course Material Return: For 1st Quarter Only Classes

Online-Only:

Take to 11th-12th Grades Office

Hybrid:

In Class or Use Drop Boxes Outside Library

Currently in Quarantine/Isolation: Return to Drop Boxes Outside Library AFTER Return to School

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](#)

A Few Notes/Reminders Regarding the LMHS Hybrid Schedule for 2nd Quarter:

1. Doors #3 and #13 will open at 8:35 (not 8:25 a.m. as during 1st Quarter).
2. Doors #3 and #13 will open from 8:05-8:15 a.m. for RTI1 and Quiet Study. Please plan ahead for this. Students may be in any commons area studying quietly during this time. Teachers will be available, unless in a meeting, from 8:15-8:45 a.m.
3. Students may attend any RTI session on any given day.
4. Teachers may request students stay for either RTI2 (11:30-12:00 p.m.) or RTI3 (3:30-4:00 p.m.)
5. Students with Campus Release and not requested for RTI2 may leave at 11:27 a.m. Students not having Campus Release will stay in 2nd Block/4th Period unless going to a specific RTI session.
6. Grades 9 and 10 staying for lunch report to Quiet Study in their Block 2/Period 4 classes.
7. Doors open at 12:55 p.m. for 3rd Block/5th Period.
8. Students with Campus Release and not requested for RTI3 may leave at 3:27 p.m. Students not having Campus Release will stay in 4th Block/8th Period unless going to a specific RTI session.

Course Material Pick-Up: For Classes Starting 2nd Quarter *Do this by Friday, November 20 at 4:00 p.m.*

Online-Only:

When Materials Available in the 11th-12th Grades Office

Hybrid:

In Class During On-Site Class Day

Currently in Quarantine/Isolation:

Contactless Pick-Up at Door #1 (Auditorium) Circle Drive

Call Library (447-3090) to Verify Materials Ready

Call Library (447-3090) for delivery at Door #1 (Auditorium) Circle Drive

*Available during school days from 8:30-3:30 p.m.

Two-Hour Late Start Schedule: (if ever needed)

It is possible that the district would have a Two-Hour Late Start due to weather conditions. We have created a Two-Hour Late Start Schedule should this ever happen. Please note that this schedule does not include any RTI times and the lunch times are later as a Two-Hour Late Start begins at 11:00 a.m. The lunch times are also occurring simultaneously with 2nd Block classes. Should this ever take place, the Two-Hour Late Start Schedule can be accessed with this link:

[LMHS Two Hour Late Start Schedule for 2020-21](#)

An 'Online-Only' Day for either Weather event or for COVID reasons: (if ever needed)

Should we have a weather event in which buildings are closed to students, we are planning to have classes 'online' on such days. (Please know that it will be a district call and it is still possible that 'online' classes may not be held on a given 'snow day'. This will be a district decision for a particular day. But, plan for having classes for a weather event that does not allow for students to come to campus). **At this time, LMHS will continue to use the 2nd Quarter Hybrid Schedule for any building-wide 'online-only' class days that may occur for either weather or COVID reasons.** It is also possible that we would adjust the schedule should the number of days ever be for an extended period of time.

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:

Now through November 18:

Adv. English II (K. Kelley) 1st Block
Creative Writing (K. Kelley) 2nd Block
Adv. English II (K. Kelley) 4th Block

Now through November 19:

English II (Mollman) 1st Block
Int. to College Writ. (Mollman) 3rd Block
English II (Mollman) 4th Block

Now through November 24:

English II (Spratt) 2nd Block
Contemporary Lit. (Spratt) 3rd Block
English II (Spratt)

Now through November 20:

General Biology (Meeker) 1st Block
General Biology (Meeker) 2nd Block
AP Biology (Meeker) 3rd Block

Now through November 20:

Algebra II (Yum) Period 1
Algebra IIB (Yum) Period 2
Algebra IIB (Yum) Period 3
Algebra IIB (Yum) Period 5
Algebra IIB (Yum) Period 7
Algebra IIB (Yum) Period 8

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>

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 going to continue with the one-way stairs at Door #14 and Door #16 at this time.** 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 begin on the first day of 2nd Quarter, this Monday, 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/lmsreach/home>

- B. ***Athletics:***

Good Luck to V Girls Diving and Swimming at the Girls State Swimming Meet today and Saturday!

Good Luck to V Poms at State Solo and Team Competition next Thursday!

Congratulations to our LMHS National Letter of Intent Signees on November 11:

Tatum Depuydt (Golf) South Dakota State University; **Waverly Patterson** (Soccer) University of South Dakota;

Hallie Peak (Soccer) Drake University; **Micah Poellet** (Triathlon and Track) University of South Dakota;

Coy Sarsfield (Baseball) University of Iowa; **Colin Streff** (Baseball) Southeastern Community College!

Fall Athletic Participation Numbers for 2020-21 is 445

(Cheerleading, Boys/Girls Cross Country, Football, Boys Golf, Poms, Girls Swimming and Diving, Volleyball).

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

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

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

We are going to work to put specific information regarding club and organization meetings and activities in the Updates in the coming weeks.

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 this Week: (Friday through Thursday) **97.3 %**

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/>

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/>

The next *LMHS 2020-21 Student and Parent Communication* will be sent on **Tuesday, November 17**. 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.