

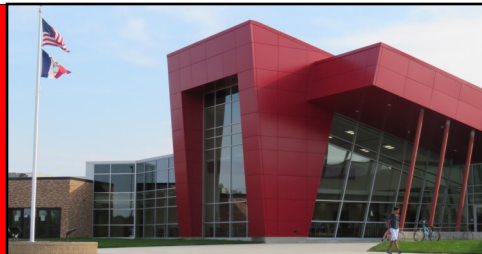
**Back to School
Edition**

August/September 2018



The Linn-Mar High School

**LION
UPDATE**



9th Grade Only First Day of School on August 23

First Week Schedule

- 8/20 Prof. Development/No Classes
- 8/21 Teacher Workday/No Classes
- 8/22 Teacher Workday/No Classes
- 8/23 9th Grade Only Schedule
- 8/24 Homeroom Schedule

Second Week Schedule

- 8/27 Regular Schedule
- 8/28 Regular Schedule
- 8/29 Regular Schedule
- 8/30 Regular Schedule
- 8/31 Regular Schedule

Third Week Schedule

- 9/3 No Classes (Labor Day)
- 9/4 Regular Schedule
- 9/5 Regular Schedule
- 9/6 Regular Schedule
- 9/7 Regular Schedule

Fourth Week Schedule

- 9/10 Regular Schedule
- 9/11 Regular Schedule
- 9/12 Regular Schedule
- 9/13 Regular Schedule
- 9/14 Regular Schedule

Fifth Week Schedule

- 9/17 Regular Schedule
- 9/18 Regular Schedule
- 9/19 Regular Schedule
- 9/20 Regular Schedule
- 9/21 Regular Schedule

Sixth Week Schedule

- 9/24 Regular Schedule
- 9/25 Regular Schedule
- 9/26 Regular Schedule
- 9/27 Regular Schedule
- 9/28 Homecoming Pep Rally Schedule

**ALL LMHS STUDENTS
REPORT FOR CLASSES ON
AUGUST 24.**

Classes for all LMHS students will begin on Friday, August 24 at 8:30 a.m. (9th Grade students will report on August 23 for their first day of classes). LMHS will be using a Homeroom Schedule on August 24, with Homeroom at 10:00 a.m., following 1st Block/2nd Period. During Homeroom, all 9th, 10th, 11th and 12th grade students will report to their Homeroom classrooms. Homeroom is required, and attendance will be taken.

Door #3 (North) and Door #13 (South) are the only entrances to be used when entering the building. Parents may drop students off in the drop-off areas near both doors. Bike racks are located near Door #3. Students arriving by bus will be dropped off on the north end of the building and enter at Door #3.

School Pictures for 10th and 11th Grade Students will be taken on August 24 in the HS Auditorium beginning at 7:30 a.m.

**All 9th Grade Students
Report to 1st Period/1st Block
at 8:30 a.m. on Thursday,
August 23.**

In an effort to ensure all 9th grade students have a successful start to their high school career, LMHS will have the first day of school, August 23, as a 9th grade only day. Students will go through a regular schedule and meet with teachers in all of their classes. The focus for the day will also include the topics of academic success and support, wayfinding, expectations, procedures, lunch, technology in the classroom, technology skill training, student assistance and support, and an activity fair.

All 230+ LMHS staff will be directly involved with the 9th grade students during the day to help make for a successful start to 9th grade. This is a required day of school for all 9th grade students, and attendance will be taken each period and block during the day.

The day will begin at 8:30 a.m. in 1st Period/1st Block. Students in Marching Band will have class at 7:15 a.m., and all before/after school practices, meetings or rehearsals will take place as normal on August 23.

School pictures for 9th Grade Students will take place in the Little Theatre beginning at 7:30 a.m.

9th Grade Parent Only Orientation Night on Monday, August 20

An orientation night for 9th grade parents will be held on Monday, August 20, beginning at 6:30 p.m. in the LMHS Auditorium. Specific sessions will be offered regarding communication, support-student assistance, academic focus, grading-homework, the student handbook, social-emotional support, and building tours. The evening will end around 8:00 p.m.. With the 9th grade only first day of school this year, the event on August 20 is for 9th grade parents only. No events will be planned for students.

LINN-MAR HIGH SCHOOL HOME OF THE LIONS

ACADEMIC LETTER ASSEMBLIES ON AUGUST 30

Three Academic Assemblies will be held on Thursday, August 30. The 11th Grade assembly honoring Junior academic letter winners will begin at 9:00 a.m. The 12th Grade assembly will begin at 10:30 a.m. and the 10th Grade assembly will begin at 2:00 p.m. Each ceremony will take approximately thirty minutes followed by pictures. All three assemblies occur in the LMHS Auditorium. Students in grades 10-12, who have a cumulative grade point average of 3.33 during the 2017-18 school year, will receive academic letters.

Students receiving a cumulative grade point average of 3.75 during the 2017-18 school year, are eligible to receive an academic letter “with Honors”. Students receiving a cumulative grade point average of 4.00 during the 2017-18 school year are eligible to receive an academic letter “with Distinction”.

ACADEMIC ASSEMBLY PARKING INFORMATION

Parking on campus is extremely limited. Attendees of the Academic Assemblies are asked to park at New Life Church (29th and Alburnett Road) and take the bus shuttle to LMHS. Bus shuttles will begin thirty minutes prior to each assembly. We do ask that all attendees enter LMHS through door #1 (near the Auditorium), which will be open for the assemblies only.

PARENT OPEN HOUSE IS MONDAY, AUGUST 27 AT 6:45 P.M.

High School Parent Open House is Monday, August 27. Check-In and name tags will begin in both the Pride Rock Commons and South Commons at 6:30 p.m. Early-Bird Marching Band will meet at 6:45 p.m. All parents will begin with 1st Period/1st Block at 7:00 p.m. Parents will run through an abbreviated student schedule, and meet teachers to hear course expectations and other information. All parents are welcome and encouraged to attend this event. ‘Learning Center’ periods will be meeting as scheduled. Parents are urged to print student schedules from home for use during the open house.

LMHS ACT CODE

162763

PSAT INFORMATION FOR JUNIORS

The PSAT National Merit Scholarship Competition exam will be given on Wednesday, October 10. Cost for the exam is \$15, and can be paid in the LMHS Cashier’s Office. Exam sign-up is in the 11th/12th Grades Office. For information and questions regarding the PSAT, please contact the 11th/12th Grades Office (447-3070). The National Merit Scholarship Competition is open to all interested Juniors.

ACADEMIC TIMELINES AND DATES

8/6-7	LMHS Online Registration Support
8/7	Counselors Return
8/20	9th Grade Parent Only Orientation
8/23	9th Grade Only 1st Day of Classes
8/24	1st Day of 1st Qtr.-Sem. for all grades
8/27	LMHS Parent Open House
8/28	Deadline to Add 1st Qtr. Classes
8/30	Academic Assemblies
8/31	Deadline to Add 1st Sem. Classes
9/8	ACT at LMHS
9/14	Deadline to Drop 1st Qtr. Classes
9/21	Deadline to Declare Credit/Fail For 1st Quarter Classes
10/10	PSAT

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Welcome to Our New Teachers/Nurse at LMHS for 2018-19

Lindsey Digmann-Murray: Lindsay will be a Social Studies teacher this year. She has a B.A. in History from the University of Iowa and has been a teacher for six years at Western Dubuque High School. Welcome Lindsey!

Megan Dixon: Megan will be a Math teacher this year. Megan has a B.A. from Augustana College (IL) and a M.S. in Mathematics from Northeastern Illinois University. She taught for five years at Glenbrook North High School (IL) and the past seven years at Pleasant Valley High School. Welcome Megan!

Bill Frosch: Bill will be a Design, Engineering and Materials teacher this year. Bill has a B.S. in Industrial Technology with a manufacturing emphasis and a M.B.A. from the University of Iowa. He has been a manager and project engineer locally at Marion Process Solutions and Lattner Boiler. Welcome Bill!

Cami Martin: Cami will be a Nurse in the Health Office this year. Cami has a B.A. in Luso-Brazilian Studies/Portuguese from Iowa State University and a B.S. in Nursing from Mount Mercy University. She comes to LMHS from Westfield Elementary. Welcome Cami!

Mary Melchert: Mary will be a Student Support Services teacher this year. Mary has a B.A. from the University of Iowa and a M.A. from Mount Mercy University. Mary taught in Monticello for twenty-eight years and has recently been working for the University of Dubuque and the University of Iowa. Welcome Mary!

Alex Neff: Alex will be a Math teacher this year. Alex has a B.A. from San Diego State University and a M.A. from Mount Mercy University. Alex has taught for eleven years at Cedar Rapids Kennedy High School, two years at Sumner-Fredericksberg, four years at Walnut, and two years at Emerald Middle School (CA). Welcome Alex!

Sherry Parsley: Sherry will be a Student Support Services teacher this year. Sherry has a B.A. from Mount Mercy College. Sherry has been teaching at Oak Ridge Middle School, as a middle school teacher in Waterloo, and a literacy instructor for the Kirkwood Community College GED program. Welcome Sherry!

Brian Redington: Brian will be a Student Support Services teacher this year. Brian has a Bachelor of Music degree from the University of Iowa and a M. A. from Mount Mercy University. Brian has taught in the Iowa City Community School District and has recently been teaching in the Linn-Mar ATLAS program. Welcome Brian!

Lauren Reynolds: Lauren will be a .5 Spanish teacher at LMHS and a .5 Spanish teacher at Oak Ridge Middle School this year. Lauren has a B.A. and M.A. from Truman State University. Lauren student taught at LMHS this past spring. Welcome Lauren!

2017-18 Iowa Assessments Results

Students will receive an envelope with their 2017-18 Iowa Assessments results during Homeroom on the first day of school, Friday, August 24.

Parents wishing to receive the information prior to August 24 can pick it up in the Main Office during business hours (7:30-3:30).

PICTURE DAY REMINDER

9th Gr: Thurs., Aug. 23
starting at 7:30 a.m. in the Little Theatre

10th & 11th Gr: Fri., Aug. 24
starting at 7:30 a.m. in the Auditorium.

Retakes: Fri., Oct. 5

School pictures are required for student ID's.

Option to purchase:

<https://www.linnmar.k12.ia.us/wp-content/uploads/2016/07/Lifetouch-Photography-Information.pdf>

LMHS REGULAR CLASS SCHEDULE

2018-2019

Early-Bird Class - Marching Band 7:15-8:00 a.m.

Early Session 8:00-8:25 a.m.

1st Block	8:30-10:05 a.m.	1st Period	8:30-9:15 a.m.
2nd Block	10:10-11:45 a.m.	2nd Period	9:20-10:05 a.m.
3rd Block	11:50-1:25 p.m.	3rd Period	10:10-10:55 a.m.
	or 12:15-1:50 p.m.	4th Period	11:00-11:45 a.m.
4th Block	1:55- 3:30 p.m.	5th Period	11:50-12:35 p.m.
Lunch A	11:45-12:10 p.m.	6th Period	1:05-1:50 p.m.
Lunch B	12:10-12:35 p.m. (split block)	7th Period	1:55-2:40 p.m.
Lunch C	12:35- 1:00 p.m.	8th Period	2:45-3:30 p.m.
Lunch D	1:25- 1:50 p.m.		

****Buses begin departing at 3:40 p.m.****

4th QUARTER SCHOOL SAFETY SURVEY DATA

As part of the High Reliability Schools (HRS) certification process, Linn-Mar High School continually evaluates indicators to help ensure and maintain a safe culture in our building. One key indicator is whether or not students, staff, and parents perceive LMHS as being a safe building. Each semester, a short survey is given to students, staff, and parents to help monitor areas to be addressed regarding safety and security within the building. The following are the results to the May survey:

	<i>(*5' + '4' = Strongly Agree + Agree) ('3' in parentheses)</i>								
	<u>Students</u>			<u>Staff</u>			<u>Parents</u>		
	2018	2017	2016	2018	2017	2016	2018	2017	2016
LMHS has a safe and orderly environment.	*	76.3 % (18.4 %)	59.7 % (27.4 %)	89.6% (10.4%)	91.1 % (5.8 %)	76 % (19.8 %)	84.2% (12.5%)	80.2 % (12.8 %)	70.6 % (22.3 %)
Fire Evacuation procedures known and practiced.	*	94.8 % (2.6 %)	85.5 % (9.7 %)	98.5% (1.5%)	98.8 % (1.2 %)	97.9 % (1 %)	89.1% (10.9%)	85.7 % (9.3 %)	66.9 % (30.2 %)
Tornado/Severe Weather procedures known/practiced.	*	78.3 % (13.5 %)	77.4 % (16.1 %)	97.8% (1.5%)	97.7 % (1.2 %)	97.9 % (2.1 %)	90% (10%)	84.2 % (12.9 %)	64.2 % (32.1 %)
Procedures in place to prevent unsafe situations.	*	81.6 % (10.5 %)	59 % (27.9 %)	84.4% (13.3%)	91.1 % (5.8 %)	74.8 % (17.9 %)	81.8% (12.4%)	77.9 % (11.8 %)	58.1 % (34.3 %)
Responds quickly to unsafe situations.	*	76.3 % (13.2 %)	55.7 % (31.1 %)	89.6% (8.1%)	88.2 % (8.2 %)	84.4 % (11.5 %)	84.9% (11.8%)	75 % (16.2 %)	61.9 % (30.5 %)

*10th Grade students took a University of Michigan survey on school safety in April.
All students will take the school safety survey again at the end of 1st Quarter.

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NAVIANCE STUDENT AVAILABLE FOR LMHS STUDENTS AND PARENTS

Linn-Mar High School has partnered with Naviance to provide a variety of tools for student achievement through academic planning. These tools are located in **Naviance Student** (formerly known as Family Connection), a website for students and families to access online resources, communicate with school staff, and collaborate on college and career readiness activities. Students can research colleges, scholarships, careers, enrichment programs and courses in one location. They can also create individual plans that can be linked to college and career readiness. Students can communicate easily with teachers and counselors.

For college and career readiness, students can request transcripts and recommendations for college applications, as well as complete career assessments and perform college and career searches. Students can also create goals and track associated tasks and activities.

Students can access Naviance Student on the LMHS web page using their network username and password. Parents will be issued a registration code in order to access Naviance Student.
(<https://student.naviance.com/linnmarhs>)

LMHS Fire, Tornado and Serious Threat Drills

LMHS will schedule four Fire drills, four Severe Weather/Tornado drills, and two Serious Threat/Intruder Evacuation drills during the 2018-19 school year. Any unscheduled Fire or Tornado alarms that may occur during the year do not count as having a drill. All drills coordinate involvement of both the high school and LRC buildings. The high school and LRC buildings will be participating in a Serious Threat/Intruder evacuation drill with the Marion Police and Fire Departments on September 19 at 10:00 a.m. A Homeroom schedule will be used on this day and instruction and drill will take place during the Homeroom period. Currently, 1st semester Fire drills are scheduled for August 28 and September 5. 1st semester Severe Weather/Tornado drills are scheduled for August 31 and September 12.

STUDENT TUTORING REQUESTS

Request forms for receiving a student peer or adult tutor may be found in the 9th-10th Grades Office, the 11th-12th Grades Office, or online. As many requests as possible are matched with a tutor. Tutoring takes place in forty-five minute sessions between 7:30 a.m. and 4:20 p.m. in The Learning Center The Upper Commons/Library, or in the Main Office.

PEER TUTORS and ADULT TUTORS

Applications to be a Student Peer Tutor (either volunteer or for credit) may be picked up in the 9th-10th Grades Office, 11th-12th Grades Office, or online. A brief orientation meeting is required of all tutors prior to a tutoring assignment. See your counselor for questions.

Adult Tutors sign up with Community Services as a LM Volunteer. Applications are available at the LRC, LMHS or online. Contact Karla Terry, Community Services Coordinator, for questions.

STUDENT ASSISTANCE

For any family, personal, social, academic, mental health, or other issues, please contact one of the student assistance counselors:

Janessa Walters Student Assistance Counselor
(Prevention Specialist) 892-4884

Kevin McCauley, Student Assistance
Counselor (Prevention Specialist) 447-3047

Lisa Mooney, Student Assistance Counselor,
(Family Specialist) 447-3129

Todd Goodell, Academic Assistance
Counselor 447-3073

Danielle Patterson, Academic Assistance
Counselor 447-3059

A listing of faculty/staff on the LMHS Student Assistance Team is posted throughout the building. Students may contact any member of this team for assistance.

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POWERSCHOOL AND POWERSCHOOL LEARNING

The student information system, PowerSchool, requires passcodes for both student and parent. Parents with more than one student in school will use the same passcode for each student. The information viewed on PowerSchool is the same for both student and parent. Please feel free to contact the 9th-10th Grades Office, 11th-12th Grades Office, or Main Office for assistance with PowerSchool. If you have questions regarding student academic scores, please contact your student's teacher for clarification. If a question or issue remains following the teacher contact, please do not hesitate to contact the Main Office, 9th-10th Grades Office, or the 11th-12th Grades Office for assistance.

Classes are also reporting on student progress toward specific priority standards. This progress is also found on PowerSchool. Both traditional course grading and student progress toward the specific standards are kept for all LMHS courses and are available on PowerSchool. For questions regarding finding this information, feel free to contact the 9th-10th Grades Office (447-3043), 11th-12th Grades Office (447-3070), Main Office (447-3040), or your student's counselor.

Beginning in 2018-19, LMHS will also be implementing PowerSchool Learning to complement PowerSchool. PowerSchool Learning is a system designed to help organize learning resources and activities for each course at LMHS. Teachers have been exposed to PowerSchool Learning, but will just begin to utilize and test the instructional capabilities of the system this fall.

ATM AVAILABLE AT LMHS

An ATM machine is available in Linn-Mar High School. It is located in a small vestibule across from the 11th-12th Grades Office near the South Commons. A transaction fee may apply depending upon the bank where a particular account is held. The purpose of having the ATM available is to provide a convenience for visitors, students and staff wishing to withdraw funds while at the building for events or during the school day.

COLLEGE AND CAREER CENTER

The College and Career Center is located adjacent to the South Commons. It is staffed by school counselors and the records secretary before and during the school day. Visiting colleges and career speakers will be available in the center, as well as planning resources and information. Informational meetings will be available to students and parents during the year. Information regarding the College Fair at Kirkwood Community College on Wednesday, September 12, may also be found in the College and Career Center. A College Planning Night will be held at 6:00 p.m. on April 18, 2019. A Financial Aid Night will also be held at 7:00 p.m. on April 18, 2019. Both of these meetings will be held in the College and Career Center and South Commons.

FOUR HOMEROOM SESSIONS IN 2018-19

Four Homeroom sessions will be held during the 2018-19 school year. The Homeroom dates are August 24, November 1, January 24, and April 4. Topics will include: Student Handbook 'points of emphasis', Harassment Procedures, Healthy Kids Act, 9th Grade Adjustment Sessions, Course Registration Planning, Graduation Planning, Post-Secondary Planning, Job Shadowing and Internship Planning, and information distribution. A separate Homeroom Schedule will be used on these four dates.

Homeroom is required of all students, and attendance will be taken at each session.

TIME RELEASE

Juniors and Seniors may be granted Time Release during unscheduled time if:

1. A parent permission form is on file in the 11th-12th Grades Office
2. All grades in the previous grading period were passing
3. In good standing with the Code of Conduct and Attendance Policy

Parents may revoke or reinstate Time Release (if eligible) at any time. Students with no Time Release are assigned to a specific seat in the Learning Center. **Grades 9 and 10 do NOT have Time Release privileges and must report to The Learning Center for all unscheduled periods.** *11th and 12th grade students with Time Release, who are receiving a failing grade after the sixth week of a quarter, will have Time Release revoked for the remaining three weeks of the quarter. This is to provide supervised academic study time and academic support, and should help students to successfully complete the course(s).*

ZAPS ACT PREP WORKSHOP

Marion High School will be hosting a ZAPS ACT Prep workshop on Saturday, October 13, from 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

Sign-up for the workshop and information may be found at ZAPS.com.

ANNUAL HEARING SCREENING

Students new to Linn-Mar, and students with a known history of ear problems may be tested for hearing during the school year. Parents who do not want their student’s hearing tested will need to indicate this in writing to the school nurse each year.

LUNCH MONEY

Lunch money may be deposited into accounts each day in the Cashier’s Office any time from 7:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. For the deposit to be applied to the current day’s lunch account, the deposit must be made by 10:15 a.m. Money may also be deposited online using a link on the district website.

MEDICATION

Students who must take prescribed medication at school must have written authorization on file in the Health Office. Non-prescribed medication will be given with physician and parent approval only. Students are not to carry any medication at any time without a note of approval from the school nurse. Contact the Health Office at 447-3080 for questions.

**LMHS Robotics
Holding Camp in July**



**BUILDING CLOSSES AT 3:45 P.M.
EACH DAY**

This is a reminder that the Linn-Mar High School building officially closes each day at 3:45 p.m. Students with activities beginning after 3:45 p.m. must leave and return when the activity is scheduled. General student supervision is not present after 3:45 p.m. each day. **Thank you for your cooperation and planning for student pick-up by 3:45 p.m.**

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SPORTSMANSHIP

Linn-Mar High School students, parents, and spectators are all expected to exemplify the highest level of sportsmanship at athletic events. Chanting or taunting opponents, doing anything to incite opponents, or that does not display appropriate sportsmanship, is unacceptable at a high school athletic contest. Your efforts toward sportsmanship are greatly appreciated.

DO YOUR PART TO SUPPORT LINN-MAR TEAMS LOUDLY, ENTHUSIASTICALLY, AND WITH THE HIGHEST DEGREE OF SPORTSMANSHIP!

REACH BOOKLET

The Student Activities "REACH" booklet is available on the High School web page under Student Information. The booklet provides a listing of all student activities at Linn-Mar High School, including clubs, organizations, fine arts and athletics.

MVC ATHLETICS WEBSITE

All Linn-Mar High School athletics schedules are on the MVC Athletics website. Anyone may sign-up to receive text and email notifications regarding game changes, postponements or cancellations. This will be the primary site for athletic notices used by the Linn-Mar High School Athletics Department.

www.mississippivalleyiowa.org

Contact the Athletic Office :

David Brown (AD): 447-3061

Tonya Moe (Assoc. AD): 447-3086

Melaine Kelley (Secretary): 447-3060

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FALL ATHLETIC TICKET PRICES

Ticket prices for Linn-Mar High School varsity fall athletics:

Football

Adults \$6.00

Students \$5.00

Volleyball/Girls Swimming

Adults \$5.00

Students \$4.00

9th Grade Games

Adults \$2.00

Students \$1.00

Student Activity Tickets for the 2018-19 school year may be purchased in the Athletic Office for \$50. Adult 10 event punch tickets are available for \$40 through the Athletic Office.



**Congratulations to
Retired Softball Coach
John Begley on 700 victories!**

**COLLEGE FAIR AT
KIRKWOOD COMMUNITY COLLEGE**

Kirkwood Community College will be holding the annual college fair on Wednesday, September 12, from 9:00-12:00 p.m. on the Kirkwood Campus. Students attending the session will need to have parents contact the 11th-12th Grades Office (447-3050) in order to be excused as a college visit.

EARLY GRADUATION REQUESTS

Any seniors planning to graduate at the end of 1st Semester are required by Board Policy to have a signed Early Graduation form to the Principal's Office by December 1, 2018. Students wishing to graduate at the end of 3rd Quarter must have a signed Early Graduation form to the Principal's Office by March 1, 2019. Students should see their counselor for information regarding Early Graduation and the form required prior to School Board approval.

STUDENT LOCKERS

All 9th Grade students are assigned lockers. 10th, 11th and 12th Grades students may request a locker through the grade levels offices. Student lockers are to store school materials and personal items needed for school. All students are advised NOT to bring valuable or non-school related items to school. Students are responsible for keeping assigned lockers clean.

CONTACT INFORMATION

Main Office:	447-3040
Jeff Gustason (Principal)	447-3041
9th-10th Grades Office:	447-3043
ATTENDANCE (9/10)	447-3050
Kim Buelt (AP)	447-3044
Phillip Eastman (Dean)	447-3022
Sheryl Cline (9-10)	447-3175
Greg Hall (9-10)	447-3074
Pete Martin (9-10)	447-3072
11th-12th Grades Office:	447-3070
ATTENDANCE (11/12)	447-3046
Joe Nietert (AP)	447-3042
Chris Robertson (Dean)	447-3051
David Kennedy (11-12)	447-3104
Elizabeth Kreher (11-12)	447-3071
Jennifer Thurston (11-12)	447-3098
Compass Center (LRC):	730-3620
Steve Goodall (AP)	730-3621
Athletics Office:	447-3060
David Brown (AD)	447-3061
Tonya Moe (Assoc. AD)	447-3086
Nurse's Office:	447-3080
N. Kleitsch/C. Martin	447-3081
Student Assistance Counselors:	
Janessa Walters	892-4884
Kevin McCauley	447-3047
Lisa Mooney	447-3129
Academic Assistance Counselors:	
Todd Goodell	447-3073
Danielle Patterson	447-3059

LEARNING CENTER

The Learning Center is a program for all Linn-Mar students and serves as an extension of the classroom. The Learning Center is led by the Academic Intervention Teacher (Becky Cortez) in cooperation with teachers and counselors. The Learning Center gives students the opportunity to work on core instruction, and provides enrichment opportunities or time for individual study and group collaboration.

All 9th and 10th grade students are assigned to the Learning Center during non-class periods. Listed below are some of the supports offered within the Learning Center. If you have questions concerning the Learning Center or supports offered within please contact your student's school counselor for further information or visit the Learning Center link in the LMHS website.

- Guided Studies Lab
- Achievement Studies Lab
- Tutoring Lab
- Afterschool Guided Study Program
- Writing Center-The Riff Room
- Math Academic Intervention Classroom (Algebra, Geometry)

BLENDED LEARNING CONTINUES TO GROW

Approximately 27 of over 740 total LMHS course sections will be taught using a ‘blended learning’ format during the 2018-19 school year. The subjects are limited to specific sections of World History, U.S. History I, Intro to Psychology, Government, Earth Science, General Biology, Algebra IIA, English III, Advanced English III and Spanish IV. Blended course offerings are courses created with a defined intent of utilizing the best face-to-face and digital instructional methods available to learning. Blended courses will meet at the same time daily, but will have variable expectations (always teacher-determined) regarding days of face-to-face attendance per week. At no time will students meet with their instructor less than three days per week and at no time will the expectations and rigor of a Blended class be less than that of a traditional course section. Students will be taught the same content, held to the same standards, and be given the same summative assessments as students taking the traditional course sections. Blended course instructors will be available to students every day that school is in session. A primary difference students will experience with Blended coursework is that frequent digital (electronic) engagement with course content will be required. Students taking a ‘blended’ section who do not have time release (including all 9th and 10th grades students), will be allowed to utilize the Pride Rock Commons, West-Theater Commons, Upper Commons-Library, Food Court, Study Commons at the Main Office, and South Commons, for required coursework as allowed by the instructor.

‘Sophomore Privilege’ Starting This Fall During Scheduled Learning Center Time

Starting this fall, designated 10th grade students who have two previous semesters averaging a 3.33 g.p.a., have no Code of Conduct or Attendance issues, have no current ‘F’, ‘D’, or incomplete work grades, and have parent permission, may be assigned to specific ‘commons’ areas (West/Theatre Commons, Pride Rock Commons, Study Commons at the Main Office, and Upper Commons/Library) during scheduled Learning Center time. The South Commons and Lower Commons/Cafeteria will not be available for Sophomore Privilege. ‘Commons’ seating for ‘Sophomore Privilege’ will be designated and attendance will be taken daily. Any student granted Sophomore Privilege and found leaving the building without permission or not in their designated commons area will have Sophomore Privilege revoked.

LINN-MAR HIGH SCHOOL NOTIFICATIONS VIA BUILDING WEBPAGE, TWITTER and FACEBOOK

Linn-Mar High School updates and information may be found on the LMHS building webpage (linnmar.k12.ia.us), Twitter @LinnMarHSIowa, and also Facebook. We encourage students, parents and others with interest in LMHS to follow on the LMHS webpage, Twitter and Facebook.

LMHS

VOTE

Sept. 11, 2018

Voter information and absentee ballot registration forms can be found by visiting the Election Services page at <http://www.linncounty.org> or by visiting <http://www.linnmar.k12.ia.us/vote> - please share and please vote September 11th.

Student Resources Available through Community Promise

The local and regional business community’s number one challenge is finding qualified and skilled talent. With a low unemployment rate, businesses aggressively compete for top talent. Do you feel connected to future career opportunities in our community? Do you know where to begin?

In 2017, Linn-Mar partnered with Marion Economic Development Corporation (MEDCO) and the Marion Independent School District to design an initiative called Community Promise. Community Promise connects students with real jobs by capitalizing on exposure and experiences that lead to an authentic career. Have you ever heard of a CAD Technician? How about an IT Analyst? Each are high demand opportunities identified for students in our community. In fact, there are currently more than 70 unique job profiles posted to a job profile database at CommunityPromise.org. These are real jobs in our community where top talent is always being pursued.

Students and parents can learn more by visiting CommunityPromise.org. Here you will find several resources to learn about our business partners and unique careers that you might not even know exist in our community. You’ll also find tools that illustrate career training and education opportunities, wages and benefits, and future employment trends within various careers. Check it out and tell us how we can help you take the next step.

Visit CommunityPromise.org today and sign up to receive program newsletters. Find your future career now!



HOME COMING 2018

Homecoming 2018 is the week of September 24.

Home varsity events for the week include:

Tues., Sept. 25	JV/V Girls Swimming/Diving vs. CR Kennedy (LM Aquatic Center)	6:00 p.m.
Thur., Sept. 27	Parade-Coronation (LM Campus Area, LM Stadium)	5:15 p.m.
Fri., Sept. 28	Homecoming Pep Rally (LM Main Gym)	2:55 p.m.
	Football vs. Iowa City West (LM Stadium)	7:15 p.m.
Sat., Sept. 29	Homecoming Dance (LM Main Gym)	8:00 p.m.

We ask everyone to do your part to make for a safe and enthusiastic Homecoming Week!



Student Council members getting posters ready for Homecoming Week