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Principal

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GRADUATION INFORMATION

Kimberly Buelt
9/10 Associate Principal

Dear Linn-Mar Class of 2017 Senior and Parent(s)/Guardian(s),

Mark Hutcheson
11/12 Associate Principal

Graduation for the Linn-Mar Class of 2017 will be held on Sunday, May 28, 2017, at 1:00 p.m. in the U.S. Cellular Center. Although detailed commencement ceremony plans will be communicated to graduates, families, and guests in early- to mid-April, some information is important to be communicated at this time. The purpose of this letter is to assist graduates and families with personal graduation planning by providing information regarding caps, gowns, tassels, diplomas, and graduation announcements.

David Brown
Athletic Director

Tonya Moe
Associate Athletic Director

Joe Nietert
9/10 Assistant Principal

Chris Robertson
11/12 Dean of Students

Sheryl Cline
9/10 School Counselor

Greg Hall
9/10 School Counselor

It is necessary to have the "official" cap (w/tassel) and gown to participate in the graduation ceremony and Herff Jones is the official Linn-Mar cap and gown provider. In previous years, graduates purchased caps and tassels, but rented and returned Commencement gowns. As chosen by Class of 2017 leadership, graduates will purchase caps, tassels, and "keeper" gowns for this year's Commencement. The quality of the products to be used will be high, with only a negligible difference in cost to graduates. Information regarding the ordering of a cap and gown will be provided to potential 2017 graduates in October. Members of the Class of 2017 may submit an order for purchase at any time from October through the end of December. Additional questions can be directed to Honey Sue Heater in the 11/12 Office at 447-3070.

Pete Martin
9/10 School Counselor

Herff Jones is also the company that prints the Linn-Mar High School diploma. It is important that the graduate's name is provided as it is to appear on the diploma. This will also be the name read at the graduation ceremony. Each senior is asked to verify that the correct name and correct spelling of the name is on file with the school no later than the end of 1st Quarter. This can be done by completing a *Graduate Information Form* online <http://tinyurl.com/2017-LMHS-Graduate> or in the 11/12 Office.

David Kennedy
11/12 School Counselor

Elizabeth Kreher
11/12 School Counselor

Jennifer Thurston
11/12 School Counselor

Graduation announcements and name cards will also be available for purchase through Herff Jones. The 2017 Class Officers have completed a design for the announcement and seniors will receive announcement information and ordering forms during homeroom in October. Purchase of announcements is an individual choice, as are other available accessories. Generic and special order announcements are also available from a variety of sources. Questions regarding the ordering of announcements may be directed to the Herff Jones representative at 396-5681 after the October homeroom.

Todd Goodell
Academic Success
Counselor

Kevin McCauley
Student Assistance
Counselor

Lisa Mooney
Student Assistance
Counselor

Graduation communications will be ongoing and potential graduates will be informed of various specifics at appropriate times throughout the year. As mentioned earlier, parents and guardians can expect to receive an informational letter in April describing commencement ceremony detail and end-of-year procedures. Please feel welcome to contact the 11/12 Office (447-3070) with unanswered questions regarding graduation.

Janessa Walters
Student Assistance
Counselor

Sincerely,

Mark Hutcheson
Associate Principal

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