

Linn-Mar Middle Schools Voluntary Instruction

April 27-May 1

8th Grade

8th Grade Announcements:

- Interested in trying out for high school show choir for the 2020-2021 season? Audition information is now live! Details are all on our website <http://linnmarchoirs.com/auditions/>
- The Financial Literacy Fair is coming! Please see the next slide for more information.

8th Grade Financial Literacy Fair Challenge

Hi 8th graders! This May, a field trip was planned to the Kirkwood Learning Center in order to take part in the Financial Literacy Fair. Now it is offered virtually! Whether you have already taken High School Prep or have not, the resource below will take you through the process of choosing a career and starting salary. Although some students have already prepared a Career Budget Sheet in High School Prep, the online activity will walk you through the process without that sheet. Please choose whatever career you wish. Have fun!

Objective: Students will gain an understanding of financial literacy by exploring different careers and using budgeting skills.

Click [here](#) to start. Budget sheets are available in PDF version or Microsoft Word.

If you have any questions, then please contact your 8th grade counselor:

Mrs. Gorman egorman@linnmar.k12.ia.us

Mrs. Wanda vwanda@linnmar.k12.ia.us

Math- *Pre Algebra B*

Algebra and Geometry students, please check with your teacher

- **Students should follow lessons in order, starting with #1** [google classrooms](#)
- Standard: 8.EE.C.8 Solving Systems of Linear Equations
8.EE.C.7 Solve Linear Equations
- New Concepts: Identify the solution to a system by a graph, Begin to solve systems by substitution
- Past Concepts: Combine Like Terms, Combine Like Terms with Distributive Property, Two-Step Equations, Equations with Distributive Property, Equations with Fraction Bars

Mr. Meeks

Mrs. Tompkins

Mrs. Goodell

Language Arts

Language Arts Students,

This week you will focus your attention on: topic, main idea, and supporting detail (RI 8.2). You will read a few informational texts in order to complete these activities in Google Classroom: Sandwich Graphic Organizer and an Earth Passage Graphic Organizer. Please email your teacher with questions.

Excelsior Google Classrooms:

[Mrs. Mullnix](#)

[Mrs. Redington](#)

[Mrs. Gaffney](#)

Oak Ridge Google Classrooms:

[Ms. Dinger](#)

[Mrs. Sylvester](#)

TAG Language Arts

Hi TAG Students!

This week, we continue reviewing figurative language using songs.

Please see [Google Classroom](#) for this week's assignments.

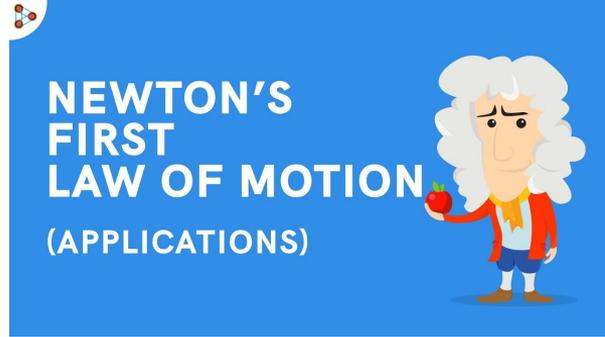
Questions? We would love to help you! Email us!

marikaye.travis@linnmar.k12.ia.us (Excelsior)

JBrase@linnmar.k12.ia.us (Oak Ridge)

Science

This week in your [GOOGLE CLASSROOM](#)



Concepts: Inertia, Forces, Balanced forces, Unbalanced forces, Net force, Newton's laws of motion

Objectives:

- Students will be able to demonstrate their understanding of the inertia of everyday objects.
- Students will identify the relationship between forces acting on an object and that object's motion

Standard: MS-PS2-2. Plan an investigation to provide evidence that the change in an object's motion depends on the sum of the forces on the object and the mass of the object

Social Studies

This week's topic: Causes of the Civil War Part 2

Please email you teacher with any questions!

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Quentin Stark: qstark@linnmar.k12.ia.us

Justin Hajek: jhakek@linnmar.k12.ia.us

Steve Fish: Sfish@linnmar.k12.ia.us

Hannah Byrkeland: hannah.byrkeland@linnmar.k12.ia.us

Oak Ridge:

See [Google Classroom](#)

Excelsior:

- **Byrkeland:** [Google Classroom](#)
(code: 5Biwfsm)
- **Fish:** [Google Classroom](#)
(code: 7daab7b)
- **Hajek:** [Google Classroom](#)
(code: zuwdsdb)

PE

Monday Heart Challenge Day 1	Tuesday Heart Challenge Day 2	Wednesday Heart Challenge Day 3	Thursday Heart Challenge Day 4	Friday Heart Challenge Day 5
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- You can use this document to log your physical activity: [ACTIVITY LOG](#) you can make a copy of this document to log your personal activity.

The CDC recommends that children and adolescents ages 6-17 years of age get 60 minutes or more of moderate to vigorous physical activity daily. **We are offering opportunities to help you reach that guideline; however, please make decisions that best fit your family and child.**

Excelsior: Mr. Lovell tlovell@linnmar.k12.ia.us

Oak Ridge: Mr. Matson mmatson@linnmar.k12.ia.us Ms. Ray aray@linnmar.k12.ia.us

Health

8th Grade Health-

We will be starting our sexual health unit.

Please see your teacher's [Google Classroom](#) for instructions.

If you have questions, we are always available!

akloft@linnmar.k12.ia.us

mmatson@linnmar.k12.ia.us

aray@linnmar.k12.ia.us



Reading

Please see [Google Classroom](#).

This week's activities include: Power-Up Minutes and gaining some background knowledge on the novel [To Kill A Mockingbird](#).

If you have questions, email your Reading teacher:

ksleezer@linnmar.k12.ia.us (Excelsior)

kiley.haines@linnmar.k12.ia.us (Oakridge)

Intro to French

French I students, please check with your teacher

Bonjour!!

- For your assignments this week please see our [Intro to French Google Classroom](#). All assignments are located under the “classwork” tab and will be accessible on Monday mornings for the new week.
- There will be 3 short assignments: a story to read and answer short questions about, a Quizlet set, and a Kahoot! Challenge to complete.
- Please email jhicks@linnmar.k12.ia.us with any questions you may have!

Intro to Spanish

Spanish I students, please check with your teacher

¡Hola estudiantes!

-For your assignments this week, please see your Intro to Spanish class section in

[Google Classroom](#)

-We have posted 3 short assignments on a slide deck in GC (each should take ~20 minutes): *Señor Wooly song 'Qué asco' & activities, Somos 1 Unit 8 reading practice google form, and S1U8 listening practice google slides assignment.*

-Each teacher has also included optional enrichment resources on the assignment slides as well for students looking for more options.

If you have any questions please contact your teacher- we would love to help!

Gracias,

-[Srta. McNabb](#), [Sra. Pumroy](#), & [Srta. Tristano](#)

Office Hours for Intro @ Excelsior: M-F 1-2 PM

Office hours for Intro @ Oakridge: T/Th/Fri 10:30-11:30 AM, M/W 1:30-2:30 PM

Quarter Classes- FCS

State Standard 7.6: Demonstrate management of financial resources to meet the goals of individuals and families.

This week, we continue to focus on financial literacy. The topic is [checking accounts](#). Activities can be printed off or submitted via [Google Classroom](#).

The instructors will check email each day and respond to questions.

10:00-11:00 AM	Marcia Kreutner: mkreutner@linnmar.k12.ia.us (Excelsior)
2:00-3:00 PM	Charlotte McDonald: charlotte.mcdonald@linnmar.k12.ia.us (Oak Ridge)

Quarter Classes- Art

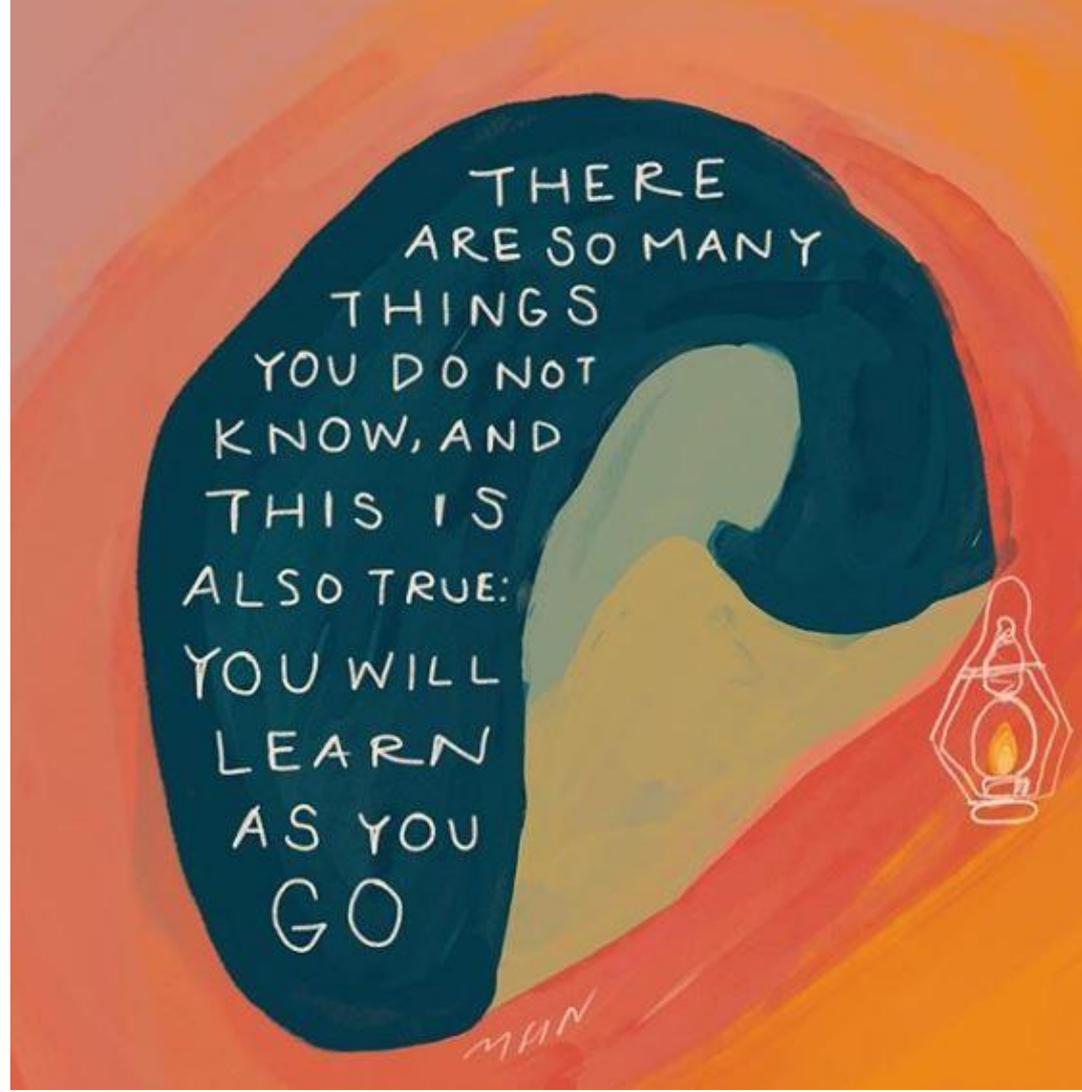
All assignments are on Seesaw.

If you're not signed up yet:

Excelsior: [Sign up for Seesaw](#)

Oak Ridge: [Sign up for Seesaw](#)

(Artwork is by artist Morgan Harper Nichols, who we will continue looking at this week!)



Quarter Classes- *Robotics*

Please go to: <https://classroom.google.com/> to access the work for this week.

Topic: Our academic focus this week is on various gear trains. You will be determining how the gear trains change motion from the drive gears to the driven gears. Please turn in assignments for feedback.

Contacts:

Excelsior- scott.wynkoop@linnmar.k12.ia.us, Office Hours M-F 10:00-11:00

Oak Ridge- mgapstur@linnmar.k12.ia.us, Office Hours: M-F 1:30-2:30

Quarter Classes- *HSP*

Please see [Google Classroom](#).

This week's activities include:

High School Basics and beginning your 4 year plan for High School

If you have questions, email your High School Prep teacher:

ksleezer@linnmar.k12.ia.us (Excelsior)

kiley.haines@linnmar.k12.ia.us (Oakridge)

Band

Excelsior and Oak Ridge Middle School band students should click on [this link](#) to access options.

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Vocal

Please see your teacher's Google Classroom for this week's assignment. Assignments will be posted each Monday.

Singing Activities for April 27-May 1: Practice Performance Music & Submit Singing Recordings to your director!

*Standard MU:Pr4.3.E.8a Demonstrate understanding and application of expressive qualities in a varied repertoire of music through prepared and improvised performances.

*Standard MU:Pr5.1.E.5a Use self reflection and peer feedback to refine individual and ensemble performances of a varied repertoire of music.

Need help? Have questions?

Ms. Klein gina.klein@linnmar.k12.ia.us

Mrs. Luedeman wloedeman@linnmar.k12.ia.us

We will always be available to help every day from 2:00-3:00 PM.

Don't hesitate to email us! :)

Orchestra

Choose at least one of the following options to practice this week. If you'd like feedback, submit a video or recording through Flipgrid or SmartMusic to your teacher by Friday. See your teacher's website for further details.

1. An orchestra piece from class.
2. A piece you were working on in your lessons.
3. A scale you were working on at school.

Excelsior: [8th EX Orchestra Resources](#)

Oak Ridge: <https://sites.google.com/a/linnmar.k12.ia.us/ormusic/home/orchestra>

ELL

Please check our [Google Classroom](#) to submit and share your work!

ELP Standard 6-8.5 -- conduct research and evaluate and communicate findings to answer questions or solve problems

April 27th - May1st				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Watch this short video on what your research project will be this week.	Choose your topic to research and find two resources. Google Classroom	Take notes on your topic. Google Classroom	Go to flipgrid and record why you chose your topic, and two interesting facts about your topic.	Now put all your notes into a paragraph! Google Classroom

Contact information: brianne.arnold@linnmar.k12.ia.us

Office Hours: 9:00-10:00 and 2:00-3:00

Make sure to check your email!

School Counseling

Your counselors are available to help!

- Counseling Department Resources- click [here](#)
- Office hours will vary based on student needs. E-mail or call with requests.

** Counselors will not have access to their phones but they can check voicemail remotely.

EX counselors:

Mike Shipley	Student Assistance	319-447-3152 (leave voicemail)	mshipley@linnmar.k12.ia.us
Lindsey Starmer	6th grade	319-447-3254 (leave voicemail)	lstarmer@linnmar.k12.ia.us
Margaret Buonadonna	7th Grade	319-447-3138 (leave voicemail)	mbuonadonna@linnmar.k12.ia.us
Erin Gorman	8th grade	319-447-3131(leave voicemail)	egorman@linnmar.k12.ia.us

OR Counselors:

Jessica Deahl	Student Assistance	319-730-3559 (leave voicemail)	jdeahl@linnmar.k12.ia.us
Victoria Wanda	6A & 8th grade	319-447-3440 (leave voicemail)	vwanda@linnmar.k12.ia.us
Kim Woods	6B & 7th grade	319-447-3409 (leave voicemail)	kwoods@linnmar.k12.ia.us

If you are a student or the parent/guardian of a student who is experiencing a mental health crisis, such as self-harm, suicidal thoughts or actions, please call the Foundation 2 Crisis Line at (319) 362-2174 or 1-800-332-4224.

If the mental health crisis is causing a medical emergency, please dial 911 immediately.

Please dial 211 to be connected to a network of resources and services in Iowa.

Also available:
Katie Smith- Family Resource Specialist
319-730-3633 (leave voicemail)
katie.smith@linnmar.k12.ia.us

Library

The Destiny homepage for the library has many resources that may be helpful for students, including links to the Grant Wood Online Resources. In addition, students will be able to check out e-materials through Destiny using their network username and password.

Mrs. Kraus (OR) can be reached at skraus@linnmar.k12.ia.us

Mrs. Hart (EX) can be reached at khart@linnmar.k12.ia.us