



Linn-Mar High School Updates and Announcements For Students and Parents August 20, 2021



Calendar for Next Week

Week 1... "We are a 'go' for liftoff!"...

Monday, August 23	9th Grade-Only 1st Day Schedule (7:50 – 4:00 p.m.)
8:15 a.m.	ALL LMHS STAFF PICTURE (LM Main Gym)
2:30 p.m.	*JV Boys Golf @ Iowa City High (Pleasant Valley G.C.)
4:15 p.m.	10 th Volleyball Tourney @ Cedar Falls
5:00 p.m.	JV Volleyball Tourney @ CR Prairie
Tuesday, August 24	Regular Tuesday Schedule (7:50 – 4:00 p.m.)
	1st Day of 1st Quarter/1st Semester
11:52 a.m.	RTI Session
3:15 p.m.	*V Boys Golf @ LM (Hunters Ridge G.C.)
5:30 p.m.	10 th /JV/V Volleyball vs. Iowa City High (LM Main Gym)
Wednesday, August 25	Regular Wednesday Schedule (7:50 – 4:00 p.m.)
10:29 a.m.	*FIRE DRILL
11:52 a.m.	RTI Session
3:00 p.m.	*9 th Boys Golf @ Xavier (St. Andrews G.C.)
Thursday, August 26	Regular Thursday Schedule (7:50 – 4:00 p.m.)
11:52 a.m.	RTI Session
5:00 p.m.	9 th Volleyball vs. Xavier (LM Main Gym)
6:30 p.m.	9 th Football vs. Waterloo West (LM Stadium)
Friday, August 27	Regular Friday Schedule (7:50 – 4:00 p.m.)
8:30 a.m.	Make-Up Day for Student Pictures (LM Auditorium)
3:38 p.m.	RTI Session
3:15 p.m.	*V Boys Golf @ Western Dubuque (Thunder Hills G.C.)
5:00 p.m.	10 th /V Football vs. Muscatine (LM Stadium)
Saturday, August 28	
All Day	eSports Championships @ Bettendorf FFA State Meats Contest @ Ames
8:00 a.m.	10 th /JV/V Cross Country @ CR Prairie
9:00 a.m.	9 th Volleyball Tourney @ Cedar Falls (Holmes JH) 10 th Volleyball Tourney @ Williamsburg Cheer Clinic (LM Main Gym)

Notes for the Week

- 8/23 JV Boys Golf dismissed at 12:50 p.m.
- 8/24 V Boys Golf dismissed at 2:00 p.m.
- 8/25 **FIRE DRILL: Students will not be dismissed from 2nd Block/4th Period until the drill is completed.**
9th Boys Golf dismissed at 1:45 p.m.
- 8/26 V Boys Golf dismissed at 12:40 p.m.

Future:

- 9/2 Academic Assemblies (9:30 a.m. 12th Grade; 11:00 a.m. 11th Grade; 1:30 p.m. 10th Grade; LM Auditorium)
- 9/17 Homecoming Friday Pep Assembly Schedule
- 9/23 LMHS Parent Conferences (4:30-7:30 p.m.)

Student Assistance Office

Student Assistance Counselors Available to All Students including Online-Only Students: Student Assistance Counselors are available to provide support for all LMHS students. This includes online-only students via virtual meetings, phone calls or on-site. Student Assistance Counselors are available in the Student Assistance Office located in the hallway adjacent to the Main Office. 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 during the school day.

Safe2SpeakUp is an application on all LMHS student school-issued computers that allows a student to report something unsafe or to ask for help for a personal crisis for self or someone else at any time. Safe2SpeakUp alerts are sent directly to LMHS Administrators, Student Assistance Counselors and School Counselors. 9th Grade students will be shown how to access Safe2SpeakUp during 9th Grade 'Connection' during the first week of school.

1st Quarter

2021-2022 LMHS DAILY SCHEDULE LINK: [2021-2022 LMHS Daily Schedule](#)

Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance will now be stated at the beginning of each school day at each school in the state of Iowa. At LMHS, the Pledge will be stated at 9:00 a.m. after the 1st Period/1st Block bell. Students will be invited to stand and recite the pledge. Flags have been ordered for every classroom but may not be in place of the first day.

A Word About Facemasks

We have been telling our staff the same thing we will tell students when it comes to masks: treat it like shirt sleeves, some will be wearing short sleeves and some will be wearing long sleeves. Don't worry about which a person is choosing. Just let it be. Some students/staff will be wearing masks and some students/staff will not be wearing masks. Whichever a person is choosing, just let it be. We will keep adapting as decisions outside of the building may or may not change during the school year.

LMHS 2021-22 Student Handbook

The 2021-22 LMHS Student Handbook will be sent to all students early next week. All LMHS students will need to sign a verification form that they have received the link to the Student Handbook.

Academic Dates and Deadlines

August 23	9 th Grade 1 st Day (8:00 – 4:00 p.m.)
August 24	1 st Day of 1 st Quarter/1 st Semester for 9 th -12 th
August 26	Deadline to ADD Classes for 1 st Quarter
August 28	SAT
August 30	Deadline to ADD Classes for 1 st Semester
September 2	Academic Awards Assemblies for 2020-21 (12 th -9:30 a.m.; 11 th -11:00 a.m.; 10 th -1:30 p.m.)
September 11	ACT
September 17	Deadline to DROP Classes for 1 st Quarter
September 23	LMHS Parent Conferences (4:30 – 7:30 p.m.)
September 29	Deadline to DECLARE CREDIT/FAIL for 1 st Quarter Classes
October 2	SAT
October 13	PSAT
October 15	Deadline to DROP Classes for 1 st Semester
October 22	Last Day of 1 st Quarter
October 23	ACT

Homecoming Friday Schedule for September 17 and other: [2021-2022 LMHS Alternative Daily Schedules](#)

Link for September 11 ACT: Students interested in taking the ACT on September 11 must sign up at the following website. Both Linn-Mar High School and Marion High School will hold the ACT on September 11. ACT sign up: www.actstudent.org

12th Grade – LMHS Class of 2022

Current 12th Grade Meningococcal Vaccination Requirement Prior to August 24, 2021:

Current LMHS 12th Grade students are required to receive the Meningococcal Vaccination prior to the start of the 2021-22 School year. The following link includes the letter outlining this requirement:

[LMHS Class of 2022 Meningococcal Vaccination Requirement](#)

College Planning for 12th Grade

Seniors need to check your school email for important college planning updates from the school counselors. This update includes information on how to request a transcript in Xello and connect your Common App college applications to Xello. Transcripts MUST be requested in Xello in order to have them sent to your college(s) of choice.

College Admission Counselor Visits to LMHS

College Admission Counselors will once again be able to visit LMHS in-person or virtually. **Visits are hosted in the College/Career Center and are open to students in grades 9-12.** Students should stop by the School Counselors' Office for a pass to be excused from class to meet with an admissions counselor. [Click here to see a calendar of visits for the upcoming year.](#) New admissions appointments are added daily.

Upcoming Visits:

Monday, Sept 30 at 1:00PM Savannah College of Art & Design (in-person)

Class of 2021 Senior Financial Aid Planning Alerts

Specific to the class of 2021, sign up now and receive specific reminders and information to help you prepare for financial aid season and FAFSA completion once your Senior year begins. Alerts will continue throughout your Senior year with deadline reminders, alerts for steps in the planning process, and scholarship opportunities. [Click here](#) to sign up for senior alerts from ICAN (our partner in career and college planning).

Workplace Learning Center Job Shadow Opportunities

The **Workplace Learning Center Job Shadow Portal** is now open! Students in grades 10-12 can now apply for a job shadow for the 2021-22 school year. There are job shadow opportunities available in both in-person and virtual formats in a wide variety of career paths. To see the opportunities and learn how to apply, go to <https://www.kirkwood.edu/workplace-learning-connection/job-shadows/index>.

Xello replaces Naviance Student

LMHS recently switched from Naviance for college and career exploration to Xello. Students can access their Xello account by logging into Office 365 and clicking the Xello app at the bottom of the page.

12th Grade Academic Assembly

12th Grade students who earned an Academic Letter for the 2020-21 will be recognized at the 12th Grade Academic Assembly on **Thursday, September 2, at 9:30 a.m. in the LM Auditorium.** Parents/guests of honorees are welcome to attend the short ceremony by entering at door #1 or door #3 after 9:00 a.m. Parents/guests are encouraged to park at New Life Community Church (275 29th Street) and ride the shuttle to and from school beginning at 9:00 a.m. Parking on campus is extremely limited.

12th Grade Student Advisory Council Applications

Any 12th Grade student interested in 12th Grade Student Advisory Council can use this link for an application. 12th Grade Student Advisory Council meetings are held from 7:30 – 8:15 a.m. in the Presentation-Lecture Hall on September 21, January 18, and April 12. Turn in completed applications to Main Office by September 16. [12th Grade Student Advisory Application Form](#)

11th Grade

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10th Grade

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10th Grade Academic Assembly

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10th Grade Student Advisory Council Applications

Any 10th Grade student interested in 10th Grade Student Advisory Council can use this link for an application. 10th Grade Student Advisory Council meetings are held from 7:30 – 8:15 a.m. in the Presentation-Lecture Hall on September 28, February 1, and April 19. Turn in completed applications to Main Office by September 16. [10th Grade Student Advisory Application Form](#)

9th Grade

9th Grade Parent Form 3:38 is coming soon: *Form 3:38* is a parent permission form for 9th Grade students to leave the building at 3:38 p.m. on any Mondays and Friday provided their student is not requested nor requesting RTI at 3:38 p.m. Students not having a signed form and not requested nor requesting RTI for any Monday or Friday will remain in their 4th Block/8th Period classrooms until 4:00 p.m. **This is the only time 9th Grade students may be released early during a regular school day.** Each student will be handed a hard copy of *Form 3:38* at the end of the day on August 23. It will also be emailed to 9th Grade parents in the afternoon on August 23. The first time a 9th Grade student is able to leave with signed, parent permission is 3:38 p.m. on Friday, August 27.

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Student Activities

A. Activities:

The *Reach* document listing all of the current LMHS Student Activities can be found at this site: <https://sites.google.com/linnmar.k12.ia.us/lmhsreach/home>

B. Athletics:

C. Fine Arts:

D. Clubs/Organizations:

LMHS 'Student Ambassador' Applications:

Are you outgoing and love to interact with students and adults? Then, please consider being a part of the LMHS Student Ambassador Program. LMHS Student Ambassadors volunteer as tour guides, greeters and representatives of Linn-Mar High School at various events, including parent conferences. Students in grades 10th through 12th can sign up for this program at this time. Interested 9th Grade students may sign up at the start of 2nd Semester in January.

LMHS Student Ambassador Application

Student Council – Linn-Mar Homecoming '21 will be held the week of September 13. Official Homecoming and Varsity Athletic Home Events for the week include:

Tuesday, September 14: 10th/JV/V Volleyball vs. CR Prairie (5:30 p.m., LM Main Gym)
Wednesday, September 15: LM Homecoming Parade (5:00 p.m.) Powder Puff Game (6:00 p.m., LM Stadium)
Thursday, September 16: JV/V Girls Swimming/Diving vs. multiple schools (6:00 p.m., LM Aquatic Center)

*Friday, September 17: Pep Rally (3:40 p.m., LM Main Gym)
10th/V Football vs. CR Washington (5:00 p.m., LM Stadium) including
performances by the LM Marching Lions and LM JV and Varsity Poms*

*Saturday, September 18: V Girls Diving LM Invite (10:00 a.m., LM Aquatic Center)
Homecoming Dance (8:00-10:30 p.m., LM Main Gym)*

Other Information

Ordering the Linn-Mar High School 2021-22 Yearbook

All 2021-22 LMHS Yearbooks are purchased directly through the vendor, Jostens. The link to order the 2021-22 LMHS Yearbook is: <https://www.jostens.com/>

LMHS Parent Advisory

2021-22 LMHS Parent Advisory Council Application Form

Each year LMHS has a Parent Advisory Council that meets once each semester with Jeff Gustason, Principal, to receive information on LMHS initiatives, building procedures and the current school year, and to provide opportunity for parent input and feedback on these and any other areas related to LMHS. The purpose is to provide a formal and constructive parent link for decision-making at LMHS. The link for applications to participate in Parent Advisory Council is above and due by October 1. Meeting dates for 2021-22 are Monday, November 1, 2021, and Monday, February 28, 2022. Meetings are held in the Presentation-Lecture Hall from 6:30-7:45 p.m.

The next LMHS Updates and Announcements for Students and Parents will be sent on Friday, August 27.