



Linn-Mar High School Updates and Announcements For Students and Parents February 25, 2022



Calendar for Next Week

Week 27... Welcome to March...

Monday,	February 28	<i>Regular Daily Schedule (9:00 – 4:00 p.m.)</i> 3:30 p.m. 9 th Grade Connection 6:30 p.m. LMHS Parent Advisory (Presentation-Lecture Hall)
Tuesday,	March 1	<i>Two-Hour Early Release Schedule (9:00 – 2:00 p.m.)</i> 8:00 a.m. *Femineers Club (Mr. Patterson’s classroom D-131) 7:00 p.m. *V Boys Basketball Substate Final vs. TBD @ TBD
Wednesday,	March 2	<i>Regular Daily Schedule (9:00 – 4:00 p.m.)</i> All Day *Robotics FRC Regional @ Duluth, MN 3:30 p.m. RTI
Thursday,	March 3	<i>Regular Daily Schedule (9:00 – 4:00 p.m.)</i> All Day Robotics FRC Regional @ Duluth, MN 3:30 p.m. RTI 4:00 p.m. Dungeons and Dragons Club (Learning Center) 7:00 p.m. Show Choir Concert Finale
Friday,	March 4	<i>Regular Daily Schedule (9:00 – 4:00 p.m.)</i> Deadline to DROP Classes for 2nd Semester All Day Robotics FRC Regional @ Duluth, MN All Day *eSports State Tournament @ LMHS Library (Virtual Competition) 3:30 p.m. RTI 5:30 p.m. Show Choir Concert Finale 7:30 p.m. Show Choir Concert Finale
Saturday,	March 5	All Day Robotics FRC Regional @ Duluth, MN All Day 9 th Grade Honor Orchestra @ CR Kennedy All Day Colton Center Jazz/Jazz 1 NEIBA Jazz @ Waterloo West 8:00 p.m. Spring Fling Dance (LM Main Gym)

Notes for the Week

- 3/1 [Two-Hour Early Release Schedule on February 24 and March 1](#)
- 3/2 Robotics departing prior to 9:00 a.m.
- 3/4 eSports players will be in the LMHS Library for most of the day and night to participate in the tournament.

Future

- 3/14 Spring Break begins
- 3/21 Classes Resume
- 3/24 Board Visit to LMHS
- 3/25 Last Day of 3rd Quarter
- 3/28 No Classes – Teacher Collaboration Day
- 3/29 First Day of 4th Quarter
- 4/4 ISASP – starting in afternoon (Regular Daily Schedule until 11:55 a.m.)
- 4/5 ISASP – in the morning (Regular Daily Schedule begins at 11:55 a.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.

3rd Quarter

Two-Hour Early Release Schedule for Tuesday, March 1:

All Linn-Mar schools will release two hours early on Tuesday, March 1, for staff professional development. [The Two-Hour Early Release Schedule for February 24 and March 1](#)

Current Calendar for Building-Wide Celebrations/Recognitions/Drives/Awareness Initiatives:

February 1-28	Black History Month (Sponsor: ALO)
March 1-4	Suicide Prevention Week (Sponsor: Mental Health Matters Group)
March 7-11	Aromatic Awareness Week (Sponsor: Spectrum Group)
March 7-11	Inclusion Week (Sponsor: LM Buddies)
March 21-25	March of Dimes Campaign (Sponsor: FBLA)
April 4-8	Sexual Assault Awareness Week (Sponsor: Mental Health Matters Group)
April 25-29	Social Justice Week (Sponsor: Social Justice Club)

Short-Term Framework for Building-Wide Celebrations/Recognitions/Drives/Awareness Initiatives: The following has been developed to establish more uniform expectations and protocols for any building-wide sponsored celebrations/recognitions/drives/awareness initiatives: (The 'short-term' implies that this framework being put in place now will be followed by a 'long-term' framework for making and maintaining LMHS as a welcoming and safe school environment for all.)

- Only official LMHS clubs/organizations/teams/groups/classes may sponsor building-wide celebrations/recognitions/drives/awareness initiatives.
- All celebrations/recognitions/drives/awareness initiatives will last no longer than one week. Any extension will require administrative approval that will only be granted for unforeseen circumstances (e.g. school weather cancellations). [For national month-long celebrations (October-Breast Cancer Awareness Month, February-Black History Month, etc.), the sponsoring group will work with the administration to change the approved displays/signs/posters from any natural wear].
- Any celebration/recognition/drive/awareness initiative must have administrative approval no later than Tuesday of the preceding week.
- The celebration/recognition/drive/awareness initiative will be made known to the LMHS staff in the weekly *FYI* and to LMHS students and parents in the weekly *LMHS Updates for Students and Parents*.
- All signs/displays/posters must have administrative approval.
- All signs/displays/posters will only be in the Four Corners area extended to the double-doors in each adjacent hallway.
- Any student found to have damaged any approved signs/displays/posters or to be found disrupting the celebration/recognition/drive/awareness initiative will be subject to disciplining.**
- All signs/displays/posters must be removed by the sponsoring LMHS club/organization/team/group/class by Friday evening of the approved week.

Congratulations to the Nine LMHS who have been named National Merit Scholarship Corporation Finalists Claire Ammons, Nikhil Anand, Nahom Fikreselassie, Samuel Greiner, Ayush Kalia, Aadarsh Kumar, Nikhil Reuben, Abhishek Sen, and Janet Weng!

Congratulations to three LMHS Art students who have earned a spot in the National K-12 Clay Show from over 900 entries were submitted from across the country in grades K-12. The national ceramic show is held in conjunction with NCECA which is a ceramic conference where educators and professional artists attend. This year's show is in Sacramento, California, during the week of March 16- 19th. Congratulations to Amanda Sweiger, Emma McCormick and Molly Newton for earning a spot in this year's show!

2021-2022 LMHS ADJUSTED DAILY SCHEDULE LINK: [Adjusted Daily Schedule beginning on September 20](#)

District 'Return To Learn' Plan (includes protocols for Covid-19):

[District Covid-19 Protocols within the District Return to Learn Plan](#)

LMHS Attendance Phone Number

(319) 447-3050 – this is the phone number for attendance calls to LMHS this year.

Process for Calling Students Out for Appointments during the School Day:

Parents are asked to call the day prior or early in the morning for an appointment during the school day. Students then pick up passes for appointment to show teachers when they need to leave. Students leaving for appointments must check out from the Deans Office and then check back into the Deans Office upon return. Thank you for your help when appointments are necessary during the school day.

LMHS 2021-22 Student Handbook

The 2021-22 LMHS Student Handbook can be found at this site: [2021-22 LMHS Student Handbook](#)

Academic Dates and Deadlines

3/4 Deadline to DROP classes for 2nd Semester.

12th Grade – LMHS Class of 2022

Seniors interested in participating in an apprenticeship after high school are encouraged to sign up for the University of Iowa Labor Center’s Pre-Apprenticeship Program. Check out the details and register at <https://laborcenter.uiowa.edu/preapprenticeship-program>.

College and Career Center Information:

Scholarships – Local Scholarships are being added to Xello weekly! Be sure to login and check them out through the College Planning link. See this video for how to find them: <https://youtu.be/184m6jnhEaU>.

FAFSA – If you have not yet filed the FAFSA, many [priority deadlines](#) are quickly approaching. Follow these easy steps to file at home:

1. Create an FSA ID for your student and one parent. – studentaid.gov/FSA-ID
 - a. Make sure to save your username and password for future FAFSA filings and verify your email and phone number
2. Go to www.FAFSA.gov to start your application.
 - a. [List of items you need to file the FAFSA](#).
 - b. File the 2022-2023 Form for students starting college in Fall 2023.
 - c. Check out the Federal Student Aid Page Dedicated to the FAFSA Process: <https://studentaid.gov/apply-for-aid/fafsa/filling-out>.

File the FAFSA with assistance from ICAN by [making an appointment on their website](#). If you have questions about the FAFSA, please contact your school counselor or Mrs. Bass for assistance.

Senior transcript requests: Seniors must request transcripts through Xello. You can learn how to complete the request by watching this short video: <https://youtu.be/rd1O95uHatg>

Follow the College/Career Center on Instagram @LinnmarHScounseling.

Looking for a part-time job? Check out the Jobs Board across from the Main Office to see who is hiring!

11th Grade

College and Career Center Information:

The College Board is offering a new scholarship called BigFuture Scholarships. As you complete various activities for college planning, you will earn entries into monthly drawings for \$500 and \$40,000 scholarships. Simply login to your College Board account or create one to get started! Check out BigFutureScholarships.org to find out more.

10th and 11th grade students can now sign up for Summer Internships through Workplace Learning Connection. Earn high school credit by completing 45-90 hour internships over the summer. Hours can be flexible around other activities. Check out all of the details at www.kirkwood.edu/wlc/internships.

Want to help your student earn money for college? Sign up for SP3 email updates for an opportunity to win a \$500 529 deposit, go to www.SP3.org to sign up.

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10th Grade

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9th Grade

Remaining 9th Grade 'Connection' Dates for the school year:

The following Mondays will be 9th Grade 'Connection' dates through the end of the school year: **February 28, March 7, April 11, April 18, and May 2.**

The following Mondays will **now** be RTI dates: **March 21, May 9 and May 16.**

April 4 is ISASP with no 9th Grade 'Connection' nor RTI.

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Student Activities

A. Activities:

LMHS Student Council Food Drive on February 26:

The LMHS Student Council will be holding a Food Drive on Saturday, February 26 (next Saturday) from 8:00-12:00 p.m. in the South Circle Drive (near the Main Gym). We are collecting for our LMHS Lion Pride Food Pantry and HACAP. With the high cost of food prices at this time, our students and our community need our help more than ever. No need to even get out of your car! We will have student helpers take these donated directly from you. Quick and easy! Please help pass the word, and we hope to see you this Saturday.

To help with your shopping:

Our **Lions Food Pantry** is in need of healthy snack foods, and cereals, small size peanut butter. Single size Mac&Cheese.

HACAP is in need of: (NO glass containers please)

Reduced/low Sodium Canned Chicken and Tuna, Whole Wheat Pasta, Brown Rice, Canned Fruits (in juice), No Salt canned Vegetables, Canned Diced Tomatoes, Reduced/Low Sodium Canned Soup, Dried Beans – black eyed peas, black beans, pinto beans, Nut & Seeds, Peanut Butter, Jasmine and Basmati Rice, Dried Fruits, Macaroni & Cheese.

Student Council Winter Fling Dance on March 5:

Save the Date! The Spring Fling Dance (*formerly WPA Dance*) will be held on Saturday March 5th. Outside Guests will be allowed at this Dance. Approval Form will need to be completed for non-LMHS students. Dress is NOT formal, but nice.

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:

Congratulations to the following Lion Athletes!

To the **Lion Wrestlers** for having six place-winners at the **State Wrestling Tournament!** State Place-winners are: **Malik Debow (7th - 106), Brayden Parke (3rd - 126), Kane Naaktgeboren (3rd - 132), Grant Kress (7th - 145), Tate Naaktgeboren (State Champion 1st - 170), Luke Gaffney (7th - 280)! State Qualifiers include: Keaton Williams, Nate Fish, Austin Vandersee, and Griffin Schultz!**

To the **Lion Wrestlers** for placing 4th at the **State Dual Team Wrestling Tournament!**

To the **LM Lion Boys Swimming Team** for placing 4th at the **State Swimming Meet!**

State Place-winners are: Aiden Carstensen (2nd-100 Backstroke, 3rd-200 Medley Relay, 3rd-50 Free, 3rd-400 Free Relay), Cooper Callahan (2nd-500 Free, 3rd- 200 Free, 3rd-400 Free Relay, 9th-200 Free Relay), Ian Steffen (3rd-100 Backstroke, 3rd-200 Medley Relay, 3rd-400 Free Relay, 6th-100 Free), Ryan Horsey (3rd-200 Medley Relay, 200 Free Relay), Luke Kelley (3rd-400 Free Relay, 8th-500 Free), Blake Behrens (3rd-200 Medley Relay, 9th-200 Free Relay, 16th-100 Breaststroke), Colin Taylor (9th-200 Free Relay), Connor Schaffel (12th-500 Free)!

To **Lion Boys Swimmers Aiden Carstensen** and **Cooper Callahan** for being named to the **Iowa Swim Coaches Association Academic All-State Team!**

To the **Lion Girls Bowling Team** for **qualifying for the State Bowling Meet!**

To **Porter Chmelicek** of the **Lion Boys Bowling Team** for **qualifying as an Individual to the State Bowling Meet!**

C. *Fine Arts:*

Congratulations to 10th Street Edition Show Choir for being named **Grand Champion** of the **CR Washington MoShow Competition!** **10th Street Edition** also earned **Best Male Soloist: Caleb Brock! Best Band! Best Vocals! Best Choreography!**

Congratulations In-Step Show Choir for placing 1st in the **Prep Division** at the **CR Washington MoShow Competition!** **In-Step** also made the finals and placed 4th Overall in the competition!

Congratulations Hi-Style Show Choir for placing 1st in the **Treble Division** at the **CR Washington MoShow Competition!** **Hi-Style** also made the finals and placed 5th Overall in the competition!

Congratulations to In-Step Show Choir for placing 3rd in the **Varsity Division** at the **Indianola Show Choir Encounter** on Saturday! **Best Male Soloist: Jacob Jensen! Honorable Mention Best Female Soloist: Hanna Langley!**

Congratulations to Hi-Style Show Choir for placing 1st in the **Prep Division** at the **Indianola Show Choir Encounter** on Saturday!

Congratulations to Colton Center Jazz Ensemble for placing 1st in the **Class 4A Division** of the **Liberty Jazz Festival!**

Congratulations to Jazz Collective for placing 1st in the **4X Category** of the **Liberty Jazz Festival!**

D. *Clubs/Organizations:*

Congratulations to LM FBLA for having eight events placing at **District Leadership Conference!** Seven of these groups will compete at State Competition! 1st in **Digital Video Production-State Qualifier (Matieis Mayes, Sujan Shadrak)**, 2nd in **Graphic Design-State Qualifier (Rishitha Gadde, Tanvi Gopalam, Devasena Manikandan)**, 3rd in **Digital Video Production-State Qualifier (Aditya Suri)**, 3rd in **Graphic Design-State Qualifier (Aditya Suri)**, 3rd in **Impromptu Speaking-State Qualifier (Devasena Manikandan)**, 3rd in **Public Service Announcement-State Qualifier (Aasmitha Kavula, Alexandra Tran)**, 4th in **Impromptu Speaking-State Qualifier (Madison Scott)**, and 5th in **Job Interview (Madison Scott)!**

LMHS Student Ambassador Application

LMHS Femeiners Club

The LMHS Femeiners Club meets each Tuesday (8:00-8:50 a.m.) in Mr. Patterson's classroom (D-31). See Mr. Patterson or Ms. Lentz for more information.

LMHS Chess Club

The LMHS Chess Club meets each Tuesday (4:00-5:00 p.m.) in Dr. Mangano's classroom (I-13). See Dr. Mangano for more information.

LMHS Dungeons and Dragons Club

The LMHS Dungeons and Dragons Club meets each Thursday (4:00-6:00 p.m.) in the Learning Center. See Mr. Griggs for more information.

LMHS Science Olympiad Teams Compete at Regional Competition:

The LMHS Varsity Science Olympiad team, Kinetic Klawns, placed 1st at Regional competition while the JV Science Olympiad team, Potential Paws, placed 5th at Regionals! Both will compete at State Competition in March!

LMHS eSports Winter Season has qualified for State Tournament on March 4:

Both LMHS eSports teams have qualified for the **Iowa High School eSports State Competition** to be held on March 4!

Congratulations to Team Overwatch and Rocket League!

Team Overwatch Players: Reece Howell, Jacob Yearous, Jacob Kluetz, Jack Larson, Richard Phan, Tristan Prebil, Caiden Abbott, Evan Thomasson, and Grant Haynes!

Rocket League Players: Jaxon Wiebold, Marcus Moore, Lucas Horn, Grayson Malin, Hunter Gardner, and Nathan Zumbach!

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/>

Attendance this Week (Thursday – Thursday): 93.2 %

The next *LMHS Updates and Announcements for Students and Parents* will be sent on **Friday, March 4.**