

Linn-Mar High School Updates and Announcements For Students and Parents March 4, 2022



Calendar for Next Week

Week 28...A Good Week Then a Good Week Break...

Monday, March 7 Regular Daily Schedule (9:00 – 4:00 p.m.)

2:00 p.m. *V Girls Track Dickinson Relays @ Cedar Falls (UNI-Dome)

3:30 p.m. 9th Grade Connection

7:00 p.m. Spring Play *Almost, Maine* (Little Theatre)

Tuesday, March 8 Regular Daily Schedule (9:00 – 4:00 p.m.)

8:00 a.m. *Femineers Club (Mr. Patterson's classroom D-131)

2:00 p.m. *V Boys Track Dickinson Relays @ Cedar Falls (UNI-Dome)

3:30 p.m. RTI

7:30 p.m. Colton Center Jazz Corridor Jazz @ CR (Paramount Theater)

Wednesday, March 9 Regular Daily Schedule (9:00 – 4:00 p.m.)

3:30 p.m. RTI

Thursday, March 10 Regular Daily Schedule (9:00 – 4:00 p.m.)

8:05 a.m. Building Management Team (Presentation-Lecture Hall)

3:30 p.m. RT

3:30 p.m. *V Girls Track Indoor @ Ames (Iowa State University)

4:00 p.m. Dungeons and Dragons Club (Learning Center) 7:00 p.m. Spring Play, *Almost, Maine* (Little Theatre)

FFA District Convention @ Decorah

Friday, March 11 Regular Daily Schedule (9:00 – 4:00 p.m.)

All Day *FFA District Convention @ Decorah

3:30 p.m. RTI

Saturday, March 12

All Day Speech Individual State @ Grinnell

Notes for the Week

3/7	V Girls Track dismissed at 11:10 a.m.
3/8	V Boys Track dismissed at 11:40 a.m.
3/10	V Girls Track dismissed at 12:40 p.m.
3/11	FFA denarting at 4.00 n/m on $3/10/22$

Future

- 3/14 Spring Break begins
- 3/21 Classes Resume
- 3/25 Last Day of 3rd Quarter
- 3/28 No Classes Teacher Collaboration Day
- 3/29 First Day of 4th Quarter
- 4/2 ACT
- 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.)
- 4/21 LMHS Parent Conferences (4:30-7:30 p.m.)
- 4/22 Deadline to DROP 4th Quarter Classes
- 4/25 No Classes Professional Learning Day
- 4/29 Deadline to Declare CREDIT/FAIL for 4th Quarter Classes
- 5/7 SAT
- 5/9 Senior Recognition Night (7:00 p.m., LM Auditorium)
- 5/18 Seniors' Last School Day (1:00 p.m., Graduation Rehearsal, LM Main Gym)
- 5/24 Semester Exams-RTI Begin (Periods 1-4, Blocks 1-2)
- 5/25 Semester Exams-RTI (Periods 5-6, Block 3)

- 5/26 Semester Exams-RTI (Periods 7-8, Block 4)
- 5/27 Teacher Workday-Checkout at 12:00 p.m. for Graduation attendees
- 5/29 Commencement (1:00 p.m., Alliant Energy Power House)

Iowa Statewide Assessment of Student Progress will be April 4 and 5:

ISASP Schedule for April 4 and 5. (More information regarding ISASP will be included following spring break).

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 onsite. 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.

<u>Safe2SpeakUp</u> 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

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

March 7-11 Aromantic 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.)

- a. Only official LMHS clubs/organizations/teams/groups/classes may sponsor building-wide celebrations/recognitions/drives/awareness initiatives.
- b. 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].
- c. Any celebration/recognition/drive/awareness initiative must have administrative approval no later than Tuesday of the preceding week.
- d. 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*.
- e. All signs/displays/posters must have administrative approval.
- f. All signs/displays/posters will only be in the Four Corners area extended to the double-doors in each adjacent hallway.
- g. 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 discipline.
- h. 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 Willie Zheng, 12th grade, for being named the Linn-Mar High School Honoree for the CR Downtown Rotary 'Service Above Self' Award!

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

3/25 Last Day of 3rd Quarter

Deadline to Declare CREDIT/FAIL for 2nd Semester Classes

- 3/29 1st Day of 4th Quarter
- 3/31 Deadline to ADD classes for 4th Quarter
- 4/2 ACT
- 4/4 ISASP in p.m.
- 4/5 ISASP in a.m.
- 4/21 LMHS Parent Conferences
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12th Grade – LMHS Class of 2022

LMHS Senior Prom 2022 will be Saturday, May 14, from 8:00-10:30 p.m. with the Grand March starting at 7:30 p.m. in the LM Auditorium. Senior Prom is for Seniors only and their dates (HS 10th Grade – 20 years of age).

AP Students:

If you are signed up to take an AP test and you have a major conflict on the testing date, please talk to your AP Teacher as soon as possible.

24 Hours of ISASP Release For 12th Grade on April 4 and April 5:

12th Grade students are released from school for 24 hours (11:55 a.m. on April 4 until 11:55 a.m. on April 5) while 9th-11th Grade students take the Iowa Statewide Assessment of Student Progress. A regular daily schedule will take place from 9:00-11:55 a.m. on Monday, April 4, and from 11:55 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, April 5. The schedule for the days are attached in the calendar section above in this edition of the *Updates*.

April 4 12th Grade Released at 11:55 a.m. for ISASP (Grades 9-11)

April 5 12th Grade Returns at 11:55 a.m.

Important 12th Grade Planning Dates

- 5/9 Senior Recognition Night (7:00 p.m., LM Auditorium)
- 5/14 Senior Prom (8:00-10:30 p.m. LM Main Gym) (Grand March at 7:30 p.m., LM Auditorium)
- 5/18 Seniors' Last Day of School (1:00 p.m., Graduation Rehearsal, LM Main Gym) (Dismissal follows successful rehearsal)
- 5/29 Commencement (1:00 p.m., Alliant Energy Power House)

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.

<u>FAFSA</u> – If you have not yet filed the FAFSA, many <u>priority deadlines</u> 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 <u>making an appointment on their website</u>. If you have questions about the FAFSA, please contact your school counselor or Mrs. Bass for assistance.

<u>Senior transcript requests</u>: Seniors must request transcripts through Xello. You can learn how to complete the request by watching this short video: https://youtu.be/rd1095uHatg

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

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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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College and Career Center Information:

Counselors would like to encourage students to consider completing career interest assessments using Xello. Students can sign on to Xello by clicking on the app on their Office 365/MyApps page. The "Matchmaker" assessment is a great interest inventory to start your career search. Take 15-20 minutes choosing how you feel about various tasks to be matched with careers.

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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: 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:

Student Council Spring Fling Dance is tomorrow night, March 5:

The Spring Fling Dance is tomorrow night, Saturday, March 5, from 8:00-10:30 p.m. 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!

C. Fine Arts:

Congratulations to Colton Center Jazz Ensemble for placing 3rd (Class 4A) at the Coe Jazz Summit! Honorable Mention 'Outstanding Musician' honors for Arjun Palaniapan (drum set) and Moosa Hamad (trumpet)!

Congratulations to Jazz Collective for earning 1st Place (Class 4X) at the Coe Jazz Summit! Honorable Mention 'Outstanding Musician' honors for Kate Flugstad (trumpet) and Ryan Koffron (also sax)!

Congratulations to 10th Street Edition Show Choir for being Grand Champion at the CR Kennedy Raise the Roof Show Choir Competition! 10th Street also received caption awards for 'Best Vocals', 'Best Band', and 'Best Choreography'!

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), 3nd in Digital Video Production-State Qualifier (Aditya Suri), 3nd in Graphic Design-State Qualifier (Aditya Suri), 3nd in Impromptu Speaking-State Qualifier (Devasena Manikandan), 3nd 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 Femineers Club

The LMHS Femineers 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 Klaws, placed 1st at Regional competition while the JV Science Olympiad team, Potential Paws, placed 5th at Regionals! Both will compete at State Competition on March 26!

LMHS eSports Winter Season has qualified for State Tournament is Today:

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

Spring Break F.L.Y. (Free Lunches for Youth)

During Spring (March 14-18) from 12:00-12:30 p.m. free sack lunches for students will be available at the following locations:

- Squaw Creek Village
- Vernon Middle School
- Valley View Apartments
- Wilkins Elementary

Please call 319-377-4856 if you would like more information regarding the free sack lunches during spring break.

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): 94.1 %

The next LMHS Updates and Announcements for Students and Parents will be sent on Friday, March 11.