

# Linn-Mar High School Updates and Announcements For Students and Parents October 1, 2021



# Calendar for Next Week

Week 7...First full week of October...

Monday,	October 4	*Two-Hour Late Start Schedule (7:50 – 4:00 p.m.)
	All Day	*FBLA State Conference @ Urbandale
	9:00 a.m.	Showing of Angst in 1st Period/1st Block Classes
	5:00 p.m.	9 <sup>th</sup> Volleyball vs. CR Prairie (LM Main Gym)
	6:00 p.m.	*10 <sup>th</sup> Football @ Southeast Polk (Altoona)
Tuesday,	October 5	Regular Daily Schedule (7:50 – 4:00 p.m.)
•	10:00 a.m.	*V Boys Golf District Meet @ Burlington
	3:30 p.m.	RTI Session
	4:15 p.m.	eSports Smash Brothers Team vs.
	5:00 p.m.	9th 'Reserve' Volleyball Round-Robin (LM Main Gym)
	5:30 p.m.	*10 <sup>th</sup> /JV/V Volleyball @ Cedar Falls
	6:00 p.m.	*JV/V Girls Swimming-Diving @ Iowa City West (Coralville Rec Ctr)
		*9 <sup>th</sup> Football @ Clinton
	7:00 p.m.	Fall Band Concert (LM Auditorium)
		(Wind Symphony/Wind Ensemble)
Wednesday,	October 6	Regular Daily Schedule (7:50 – 4:00 p.m.)
• /	3:30 p.m.	RTI Session
Thursday,	October 7	Regular Daily Schedule (7:50 – 4:00 p.m.)
	8:05 a.m.	Building Management Team (Presentation-Lecture Hall)
	3:15 p.m.	*10 <sup>th</sup> /JV/V Girls/Boys X-Country MVC @ Waterloo (Irv Warren G.C.)
	3:30 p.m.	RTI Session
	4:15 p.m.	eSports Rainbow 6 Team vs.
	5:00 p.m.	9 <sup>th</sup> Volleyball vs. Iowa City West (LM Main Gym)
		*10th 'Reserve' Volleyball @ CR Kennedy
Friday,	October 8	Regular Daily Schedule (7:50 – 4:00 p.m.)
	All Day	*V Boys Golf State Meet @ Cedar Falls (Beaver Hills G.C.)
	<mark>3:30 p.m.</mark>	RTI Session
	5:00 p.m.	10 <sup>th</sup> /V Football vs. Ottumwa (LM Stadium)
Saturday,	October 9	
	8:00 a.m.	9th Volleyball Tourney @ Iowa City High
	8:30 a.m.	V Volleyball Tourney @ CR Jefferson
	9:00 a.m.	10 <sup>th</sup> Volleyball Tourney @ CR Kennedy
	All Day	V Boys Golf State Meet @ Cedar Falls (Beaver Hills G.C.)
	2:05 p.m.	Marching Lions State Contest @ CR (Kingston Stadium)
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Notes for the 10/4 FBLA	week departing on 10/3.	
	ootball dismissed at 2:10 p	a m
		and dismissed at 12:00 p.m.
	V/V Volleyball dismissed	
	Girls Swimming-Diving d	
	otball dismissed at 3:25 p.	
10/7 JV/V Girls/Boys Cross Country dismissed at 12:10 p.m.		
	Reserve' Volleyball dismis	
		Meet, depart prior to 9:00 a.m.

### **Future**

10/14 Two-Hour Early Dismissal (district-wide)

10/19 Two-Hour Early Dismissal (district-wide)

10/22 Last Day of 1st Quarter

10/25 Teacher Collaboration Day (no classes)

10/26 1st Day of 2nd Quarter

## 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.

## 1st Quarter

### Angst to be Shown on Monday, October 4, at 9:00 a.m.

All LMHS students, including all LM Intermediate and Middle School students, will be viewing the documentary Angst on Monday, October 4. At LMHS, the screening will take place during 1<sup>st</sup> Period-1<sup>st</sup> Block classes. Only students who have an 'opt out' parent form signed will be excused from the viewing.

10<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade students who do not have a 1<sup>st</sup> period-1<sup>st</sup> block class have been assigned (and emailed) an assigned classroom with a teacher who does not have a 1<sup>st</sup> period-1<sup>st</sup> block class. Again, only those with an 'opt out' parent form will be counted as excused from the screening.

A break will take place from 10:55-11:00 a.m. with 1<sup>st</sup> period-1<sup>st</sup> block beginning classes at 11:00 a.m. A Two-Hour Late Start Schedule will be used for the remainder of the day.

OCTOBER 4 SCHEDULE

OCTOBER 4 LUNCH SCHEDULE

#### Nine LMHS Seniors Named National Merit Semifinalists

Congratulations to nine of our LMHS Seniors for being named Semifinalists in the National Merit Scholarship Competition. Semifinalists represent the top 1% of more than 1.5 million students who took the PSAT last fall and are now eligible to be named National Merit Finalists and receive National Merit Scholarships. Congratulations to Clair Ammons, Nikhil Anand, Nahom Fikreselassie, Samuel Greiner, Ayush Kalia, Aadarsh Kumar, Nikhil Reuben, Abhishek Sen, and Linghan Weng!

### BE AWARE OF FUTURE TIK TOC CHALLENGES and CONSEQUENCES FOR SUCH ACTIONS:

We mentioned a couple of weeks ago regarding challenges being made to school-age students nationwide on Tik Toc. A current listing of challenges reads as the following. Parents, we are making you aware of what these challenges are stated to be and ask that you continue to speak with your students regarding these. Students, know that participation in any activity that involves such actions in the building toward a staff member will result in the stiffest of consequences including suspension and possible recommendation for expulsion from school. We thank everyone for your attention to this and appreciate the efforts of those students who understand this is never appropriate behavior for any school environment.

Here is a schedule of challenges that's circling on TikTok right now. (This is stated in the language as given to us).

- September: Vandalize school bathrooms
- October: Smack a staff member
- November: Kiss your friend's girlfriend at school
- December: "Deck the halls and show your (private parts)"
- January: Jab a breast
- February: Mess up school signs
- March: Make a mess in the courtyard or cafeteria
- April: "Grab some eggz" (another stealing challenge)
- May: Ditch day
- June: Flip off in the front office

#### 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**

October 13 PSAT

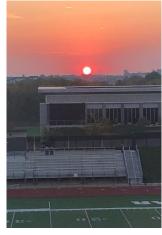
October 15 Deadline to DROP Classes for 1st Semester

October 22 Last Day of 1st Ouarter

October 23 ACT

## 12th Grade – LMHS Class of 2022





# **SENIOR SUNRISE on October 1**

Approximately 70 members of the LMHS Class of 2022 started Friday morning on the top of Linn-Mar Stadium watching the sunrise. This is a picture of many of those who came out early to see a beautiful sunrise occur at 7:06 a.m. LMHS Student Council provided donuts for the students.



### College Planning for 12th Grade

Counselors will be taking **seniors on campus visits** to various colleges/universities throughout the month of October. Sign up for the following visits now.

- Kirkwood Community College Tuesday, October 5<sup>th</sup> 9:00-12:30 For liberal arts, transfer, and undecided students.
- Kirkwood Community College Wednesday, October 6<sup>th</sup> 9:00-12:30 For Career and Technical Education programs
- University of Northern Iowa Wednesday, October 13<sup>th</sup> 9:00-2:00

**FAFSA** Filing begins on October 1<sup>st</sup>. Prepare by making sure your student has an FSA ID. For more information, check out <a href="https://studentaid.gov/fsa-id/create-account/launch">https://studentaid.gov/fsa-id/create-account/launch</a>.

ACT – Linn-Mar High School will host the next ACT test **December 11, 2021**. Sign up now to reserve your spot: <a href="https://www.actstudent.org">www.actstudent.org</a>. If your student receives free or reduced lunch at school, they may qualify for a fee waiver. They can check in with their school counselor for how to access this resource.

Local scholarships are now being posted to Xello.

<u>September is College Savings Month.</u> Learn more about Iowa's 529 Plan and get registered for a drawing to receive a \$1,000 College Savings Iowa contribution and an iPad. Visit <u>Iowa529Contest.com</u> to register.

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

Follow the College/Career Center on Instagram @LinnmarHScounseling.

## 11<sup>th</sup> Grade

The 2021 PSAT will take place on Wednesday, October 13<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m. at Kirkwood Linn Regional Center (1770 Boyson Road Hiawatha). The cost is \$18 and is paid at the Cashier's window. If you have any questions about the PSAT, please see Mr. Kennedy in the Counselors' office.

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# 10th Grade

### 10th Grade Students Interested in Taking the PSAT

10<sup>th</sup> Grade students interested in taking the PSAT, please see '11<sup>th</sup> Grade' section of the Updates.

# 9<sup>th</sup> Grade

A reminder that 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Connection will be each Monday from 3:30 – 4:00 p.m. with the schedule adjustments. On Tuesday-Friday, 9<sup>th</sup> Grade students not requested nor requesting RTI and with a parent signed Form 3:38 may be dismissed at 3:25 p.m. 9<sup>th</sup> Grade students not requested nor requesting RTI and without a parent signed Form 3:38 will report to their 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Connection classroom at 3:30 p.m. each day of the week.

# 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 eSports Fall Season begins:

LMHS eSports fall season has started in Smash Brothers and Rainbow 6. All matches may be viewed live at: twitch.tv/lmhsesports

Anyone interested in LMHS fall season eSports may contact Brian Johnson (bjohnson@linnmar.k12.ia.us), Luke Johnson (luke.johnson@linnmar.k12.ia.us) or Zach Mixdorf (zmixdorf@linnmar.k12.ia.us) for more information.

### LMHS Student Ambassador Application

# Other Information

## **Volunteer Opportunity for Parents and Students (CORDS)**

Looking for a way to volunteer and help at a school event? Are you really good at popping popcorn? How about slinging pizza slices? We need you!

<u>Marion Community Promise</u> will be staffing the concession stand during the October 22<sup>nd</sup> LMHS home football game and needs your help for the evening. The time commitment will run from 5:30-9:30 that evening. Please sign up by emailing Emily Russ at <u>emily@medcoiowa.org</u>. We look forward to seeing you!

## 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/

Those who ordered and still need to pick up their 2020-21 Yearbook may do so in the Main Office.

Attendance for this week: 94.5 %

The next LMHS Updates and Announcements for Students and Parents will be sent on Friday, October 8.