



**Linn-Mar High School  
Updates and Announcements  
For Students and Parents  
October 15, 2021**



**Calendar for Next Week**

*Week 9...The Final Week of 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter...*

<b>Monday, October 18</b>	<b>Regular Daily Schedule (7:50 – 4:00 p.m.)</b>
3:30 p.m.	<b>9<sup>th</sup> Grade Connection</b>
5:15 p.m.	*Marching Band Extravaganza (LM Main Gym)
6:30 p.m.	*Metro Marching Festival (featuring ISU Marching Band) (LM Stadium)
<b>Tuesday, October 19</b>	<b>*Two-Hour Early Dismissal Schedule (7:50 – 2:00 p.m.)</b>
3:30 p.m.	<b>RTI Session</b>
4:15 p.m.	eSports Smash Brothers Team vs. West Delaware HS
7:00 p.m.	V Volleyball Regional vs. Waterloo West (LM Main Gym)
<b>Wednesday, October 20</b>	<b>Regular Daily Schedule (7:50 – 4:00 p.m.)</b>
3:30 p.m.	<b>RTI Session</b>
4:00 p.m.	*V Girls/Boys Cross Country State Qualifier @ Bettendorf (Crow Creek Park)
<b>Thursday, October 21</b>	<b>Regular Daily Schedule (7:50 – 4:00 p.m.)</b>
3:30 p.m.	<b>RTI Session</b>
4:15 p.m.	eSports Rainbow 6 Team vs. Mid-Prairie HS
6:00 p.m.	9 <sup>th</sup> Football @ CR Prairie
7:00 p.m.	*V Volleyball Regional @ Cedar Falls
<b>Friday, October 22</b>	<b>Regular Daily Schedule (7:50 – 4:00 p.m.)</b>
	<b>Last Day of 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter</b>
3:30 p.m.	<b>RTI Session</b>
5:00 p.m.	10 <sup>th</sup> /V Football vs. Cedar Rapids Prairie (LM Stadium)
	<b>**SENIOR NIGHT**</b>
<b>Saturday, October 23</b>	
8:00 a.m.	ACT @ Marion HS
All Day	Music All-State Auditions @ Independence
All Day	Key Club Rally @ Henry Doorly Zoo (Omaha, NE)
9:30 a.m.	10 <sup>th</sup> Girls Swimming-Diving MVC @ Dubuque Hempstead
5:00 p.m.	JV/V Pom Performance at Pom Clinic (LM Main Gym)
<b>Sunday, October 24</b>	
9:15 a.m.	V Cheer Competition Team @ Fort Dodge (Iowa Central C.C.)

**Notes for the Week**

- 10/18 Marching Band Extravaganza will not include 9<sup>th</sup> Grade band (this band will now perform on 11/6)  
Metro Marching Festival – Please be aware that all parking lots will be filled for this event.
- 10/20 V Girls/Boys Cross Country dismissed at 11:40 a.m.
- 10/21 V Volleyball plays this game if wins on 10/19 against Waterloo West

**Future**

- 10/25 Teacher Collaboration Day (no classes)
- 10/26 1<sup>st</sup> Day of 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter
- 11/2 LMHS Parent Advisory Meeting (6:30 p.m.; Presentation-Lecture Hall)

**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](mailto:janessa.carr@linnmar.k12.ia.us) (319) 892-4884  
Jessica Deahl: [jdeahl@linnmar.k12.ia.us](mailto:jdeahl@linnmar.k12.ia.us) (319) 730-3559  
Kevin McCauley: [kmccauley@linnmar.k12.ia.us](mailto: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.

## 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter

### **Two-Hour Early Dismissal on Tuesday, October 19:** [Two-Hour Early Dismissal Schedule](#)

LMHS and all LMCS D schools will be releasing Two-Hours Early on Tuesday, October 19, for Teacher Professional Development. LMHS will be using a Two-Hour Early Release Schedule (see link above which also includes a Two-Hour Late Start Schedule should the need ever take place). The lunch schedule will be the same with Lunches 31 and 32 combined and lunches 34 and 35 combined. No RTI will be held on this day and 4<sup>th</sup> Block/8<sup>th</sup> Period Classes dismiss at 2:00 p.m. Busses will depart from LMHS at approximately 2:10 p.m.

**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 22 Last Day of 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter  
October 23 ACT

## 12<sup>th</sup> Grade – LMHS Class of 2022

### **AP Exam Updates:**

The payment window will open on October 22<sup>nd</sup> for 1<sup>st</sup> Semester AP classes. All students who wish to take an AP exam in May must register and pay the full \$87 exam fee by November 5<sup>th</sup>, 2021. Please remember to select "yes" for the exam when registering. Students may still register and pay for a 1<sup>st</sup> semester exam during the second payment window in February of 2022 for an additional fee of \$40. Please make the payment in PowerSchool under the Purchases and Payments tab to the left of the screen. Once there select your student, available items, then select the AP Exam option.

If your student has a conflict they can email the AP Coordinator, Heather Kosikas, at [heather.kosikas@linnmar.k12.ia.us](mailto:heather.kosikas@linnmar.k12.ia.us) to move the student to a later testing date.

**Iowa State University Visit – Tuesday, October 19<sup>th</sup> 8:00-4:00** \*Please note that the bus will leave before school starts and will return after buses leave as this is an early out day.

**FAFSA Filing Events** – Seniors & families are welcome to attend FREE FAFSA Filing workshops virtually (Zoom) and at Linn-Mar High School in the Lecture Hall or you can make an individual appointment at [ICAN](#). More details will be shared prior to the event date. Priority deadlines for Iowa schools can be found [here](#).

- Wednesday, October 13 at 5:30PM (Virtual) – - [Sign up](#).
- Thursday, October 21<sup>st</sup> – Two time slots (5:00-6:00 & 6:00-7:00) at LMHS. Sign up at [www.icansucceed.org/apt-fafsaevent](http://www.icansucceed.org/apt-fafsaevent).
- Wednesday, November 3<sup>rd</sup> - Two time slots (5:00-6:00 & 6:00-7:00) at LMHS. Sign up at [www.icansucceed.org/apt-fafsaevent](http://www.icansucceed.org/apt-fafsaevent)
- Wednesday, December 8<sup>th</sup> - Two time slots (5:00-6:00 & 6:00-7:00) at LMHS. Sign up at [www.icansucceed.org/apt-fafsaevent](http://www.icansucceed.org/apt-fafsaevent)

**Navigating Financial Aid** – This virtual presentation that is geared toward families to explain the financial aid process and answer any questions you have about types of aid available to students. Join us on Wednesday, October 20<sup>th</sup> at 5:30PM via Zoom. Click [this link to connect](#).

**Scholarship Search and Applications** – Mrs. Bass will be offering two workshops on Wednesday, October 13<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday, October 21<sup>st</sup> during 3:30 RTI in the College/Career Center. Students interested in searching and applying for scholarships will leave this workshop with a scholarship search completed and may have time to start a scholarship application.

**FREE ACT Preparation workshops** will be offered by Mrs. Bass on Thursdays starting October 28<sup>th</sup> during 3:30 RTI. Each week, for four weeks, students will learn tips and tricks for the 4 main subject areas tested on the ACT (English, Math, Reading, and Science) to prepare for the December test date.

Local scholarships are now being posted to Xello.

**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.

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**ACT** – Linn-Mar High School will host the next ACT test **December 11, 2021**. Sign up now to reserve your spot: [www.actstudent.org](http://www.actstudent.org). 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.

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## 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:**

**Winter Comedy Play Auditions October 19:**

Auditions for the winter comedy *You Can't Take It With You* will be held **Tuesday, October 19 at 2:00** in the Auditorium. Callbacks will be held after school on Wednesday, October 20. Anyone is welcome to audition. You may pick up an information sheet on the story and characters from Mrs. Smith in the Little Theatre before and after school starting this Thursday.

**D. Clubs/Organizations:**

**LMHS eSports Fall Season begins:**

LMHS eSports, Smash Brothers and Rainbow 6, will begin tournament play next week. All matches may be viewed live at: [twitch.tv/lmhseports](https://twitch.tv/lmhseports). Both varsity teams are currently undefeated. Anyone interested in LMHS fall season eSports may contact Brian Johnson ([bjohnson@linnmar.k12.ia.us](mailto:bjohnson@linnmar.k12.ia.us)), Luke Johnson ([luke.johnson@linnmar.k12.ia.us](mailto:luke.johnson@linnmar.k12.ia.us)) or Zach Mixdorf ([zmixdorf@linnmar.k12.ia.us](mailto: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!*

*[Marion Community Promise](#) 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 [emily@medcoiowa.org](mailto:emily@medcoiowa.org). 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/>

Attendance for this week: 93.8 %

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