



**Linn-Mar High School
Updates and Announcements
For Students and Parents
October 7, 2022**



Calendar

October 10 – October 15, 2022

Week 8

Getting Real... 14 Day Left in Quarter 1

Monday, October 10	<p>3:30 p.m. *9th Grade Connection</p> <p>5:00 p.m. 9th Volleyball vs. Marion (LM Main Gym)</p> <p>*10th Reserve Volleyball Round-Robin @ CR Kennedy</p> <p>*JV Volleyball @ CR Washington</p> <p>6:30 p.m. 10th Football vs. Ottumwa (LM Stadium)</p> <p>Marching Lions Metro Marching Fest @ CR (Kingston Stadium)</p>
Tuesday, October 11	<p>Regular Schedule (7:50 – 4:00 p.m.)</p> <p>All Day *FFA @ CR (Kirkwood C.C.)</p> <p>3:30 p.m. RTI</p> <p>4:15 p.m. Esports Smash Brothers Ultimate Varsity vs. Lone Tree HS</p> <p>5:00 p.m. *V Volleyball MVC Tourney @ Cedar Falls</p> <p>6:00 p.m. JV/V Girls Swimming-Diving vs. CR Washington (LM Aquatic Center)</p> <p>**SENIOR NIGHT**</p> <p>6:00 p.m. Fall Vocal Concert I (LM Auditorium) (Lux, Fortis)</p> <p>7:00 p.m. Fall Vocal Concert II (LM Auditorium) (Concert Chorale, Cantemus, Bella Voce, LM Singers, Chamber Singers)</p>
Wednesday, October 12	<p>Regular Daily Schedule (7:50 – 4:00 p.m.)</p> <p>8:35 a.m. Picture Retakes (Cafeteria/Lower Commons)</p> <p>9:00 a.m. *PSAT @ Hiawatha (Kirkwood Regional Center)</p> <p>3:30 p.m. RTI</p> <p>4:00 p.m. Dungeons and Dragons Club (Learning Center)</p> <p>Vocal Mock All-State Auditions (Colton Center)</p> <p>4:15 p.m. Building Learning Team (Presentation-Lecture Hall)</p>
Thursday, October 13	<p>Regular Daily Schedule (7:50 – 4:00 p.m.)</p> <p>3:30 p.m. RTI</p> <p>4:00 p.m. *JV/V Girls/Boys X-Country Divisional @ Waterloo (Irv Warren G.C.)</p> <p>*9th Football @ Cedar Falls (Peet J.H.)</p> <p>4:15 p.m. Esports Rainbow 6 Siege vs. West Burlington Arnold HS</p> <p>5:00 p.m. JV Volleyball Round-Robin (LM Main Gym)</p>
Friday, October 14	<p>Regular Daily Schedule (7:50 – 4:00 p.m.)</p> <p>Deadline to Drop Classes for 1st Semester</p> <p>3:30 p.m. RTI</p> <p>5:00 p.m. 10th/V Football vs. Davenport Central (LM Stadium)</p> <p>**SENIOR NIGHT for Football, Boys Golf, Cross-Country**</p>
Saturday, October 15	<p>All Day JV/V Poms @ North Liberty (Liberty HS)</p> <p>Key Club Rally @ Altoona (Adventureland)</p> <p>8:30 a.m. 9th Volleyball Tourney @ CR Prairie</p> <p>9:00 a.m. 10th Volleyball Tourney @ CR Prairie</p> <p>10:00 a.m. V Diving @ Marshalltown</p>
Sunday, October 16	<p>All Day Competition Cheer State Tryouts @ Ames</p>

*Notes

- 10/10 9th Grade Connection: the focus will be on g.p.a./transcripts/credits and Fentanyl Education
10th Reserve Volleyball dismissed at 3:40 p.m.
JV Volleyball dismissed at 3:30 p.m.
- 10/11 FFA departing prior to 9:00 a.m.
V Volleyball dismissed at 2:25 p.m.
- 10/12 PSAT: students will report directly to the Kirkwood Regional Center (Hiawatha) for the exam.
- 10/13 JV/V Girls Cross Country dismissed at 12:10 p.m.
JV/V Boys Cross Country dismissed at 11:55 a.m.
9th Football dismissed at 1:25 p.m.

Future

- 10/20 Two-Hour Early Dismissal for PD
10/22 ACT @ Marion HS
10/25 Two-Hour Early Dismissal for PD
10/27 Last Day of 1st Quarter
Deadline to Declare CREDIT/FAIL for 1st Semester Courses
- 10/28 Teacher Workday (No Classes)
10/31 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 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.

1st Quarter

October 20 and 25 are Two-Hour Early Release Days

October 20 and 25 are Two-Hour Early Release days for all Linn-Mar CSD buildings, including the high school. No afternoon RTI will be held on these days. The link to the schedule for both days is here:

[Two-Hour Early Release Schedule for October 20 and 25](#)

October 27 – Last Day of 1st Quarter – will have options for teachers depending upon the course

The last day of 1st Quarter, October 27, will have options for teachers by course regarding the focus for the day. **Teachers will communicate with students and parents what option will take place for a particular course (Regular Class Day, Final, or RTI). The schedule for the day will continue to be a Regular Daily Schedule, including RTI at 3:30 p.m.**

Many courses will simply operate a **Regular Class Day** with required attendance.

Some courses will give a **Final** on this day. Teachers, by course, have the option of exempting students who have a '4' in all priority standards from taking the Final or any portion of the Final for which they have a '4'. Again, this is a teacher option, by course (the same option will be used for the same course no matter the teacher). Having a '4' does not automatically exempt a student from a Final. If a student is exempted from a Final and they have Campus Release or 3:30 Release for 9th Grade, they will be allowed to leave campus during this class period/block. 9th Grade students who do not leave campus if exempted from a Final will be required to stay in the classroom.

Some courses will have an **RTI** focus on this day, meaning that teachers in these courses will be working with those students who need the extra support prior to the end of the term. A student may be exempted from attending an RTI class session by the teacher based on quality performance in the class. Students exempted from an RTI class session who have either Campus Release or 3:30 Release for 9th Grade will be allowed to leave campus during this class period/block. 9th Grade students who do not leave campus if exempted from a Final will be required to stay in the classroom.

ATTENDANCE PHONE NUMBER:

Our **Attendance Phone line is (319-447-3050)**. Parents are asked to use this number to call regarding any absences. If for an illness, parents are asked to call prior to 8:00 a.m. or as soon as you are able. For appointments, parents call the same phone line (319-447-3050) and leave a message for when the student is to be dismissed for the appointment. Students then pick up passes for the appointment in the Deans Office 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.

THE TUTORING CENTER IN THE LEARNING CENTER IS OPEN DAILY

Students wanting/needing assistance with coursework may visit the Tutoring Center before school (8:15-8:45 a.m.) or during class periods/blocks during the school day. This can be drop-in or by appointment by contacting Mrs. Gettemy in the Tutoring Center. Also, any student interested in becoming a student tutor may see Mrs. Gettemy or Mrs. Schumacher in the Learning Center.

1st Quarter Academic Planning Dates and Deadlines

10/12 PSAT

10/14 Deadline to Drop Classes for 1st Semester

10/22 ACT

10/27 Last day of 1st Quarter Classes

Deadline to Declare Credit/Fail for 1st Semester Classes

10/31 1st Day of 2nd Quarter

12th Grade – LMHS Class of 2023

Important 12th Grade Planning Dates

5/8 Senior Recognition Night (7:00 p.m., LM Auditorium)

5/13 Senior Prom (8:00-10:30 p.m. LM Main Gym) (Grand March at 7:30 p.m., LM Auditorium)

5/17 Seniors' Last Day of School (1:00 p.m., Graduation Rehearsal, LM Main Gym)

5/28 Commencement (1:00 p.m., Alliant Energy Power House)

From the College and Career Center

College/Career Planning Checklists:

LMHS School Counselors have developed checklists for each grade level to help you focus your college and career planning process. Check out the list for your grade below:

12th Grade

College Admission Counselor visits to LMHS have begun. If you are interested in what schools will be represented this year, check out the school counseling website at

<https://sites.google.com/a/linnmar.k12.ia.us/linn-mar-high-school-counseling/career>.

Tuesday, October 11

2:30pm Villanova University [Virtual Visit Zoom Link: <https://villanova.zoom.us/j/99503251823>]

Thursday, October 13

1:00pm St. Ambrose University [In-person Visit]

2:00pm University of Iowa [In-person Visit]

Juniors and Seniors: Scholarships – Students looking for scholarships should check out Xello's scholarship list to learn about open scholarship opportunities. You can find a video tutorial here: <https://youtu.be/184m6jnhEaU>. Additional scholarship websites we recommend include [GoingMerry](#), [FastWeb](#) and [Scholarship America](#) – these are national scholarship search sites to help your student find relevant scholarships for them. Upcoming Scholarship Deadlines include the Heisman High School Scholarship, Golden Door Scholars,

Juniors and Seniors can sign up for Winter & Spring Internships through Workplace Learning Connection starting Monday, September 26th. Check out www.kirkwood.edu/wlc/internships for more details. Students can earn 2.5 to 5 credits for participating in 45 or 90 hour experiences with local employers.

Senior Transcript Requests

Transcript requests should be sent via Xello. [Follow the step-by-step directions HERE to complete this process](#). Common App accounts should also be connected to your account so all forms will be sent correctly to your colleges by following [THESE STEPS](#).

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9th Grade

Future 9th Grade Connection Dates (3:30-4:00 p.m.)

Monday, October 10, 3:30 p.m. (Focus: G.P.A.-Transcripts-End of 1st Quarter; Fentanyl Education)

Monday, November 14, 3:30 p.m.

Monday, December 19, 3:30 p.m.

Monday, January 30, 3:30 p.m.

Monday, February 6, 3:30 p.m.

Monday, March 6, 3:30 p.m.

Monday, April 17, 3:30 p.m.

Monday, May 8, 3:30 p.m.

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Activities

REACH Booklet

This link is for the LMHS REACH Activities Booklet. Not all activities are listed in this booklet, but almost all of them are in here.

<https://sites.google.com/linnmar.k12.ia.us/lmhsreach/home>

Athletics

Boys Golf wins MVC Divisional Title!

Congratulations to the **LM Boys Golf Team** for winning the Mississippi Valley Conference Divisional Title this week!

Clubs and Organizations

263 LMHS students are in S.O.D.A. (Students O.K. without Drugs and Alcohol) so far this school year.

182 LMHS students are in T.R.Y. (Teens Reaching Youth) this school year.

Key Club Fall Rally

LMHS Key Club is planning to attend a Fall Rally on October 15. The Nebraska-Iowa District of Key Club is hosting Fall Rally at Adventureland this year on October 15th. Registration is \$38 and closes on October 4th. See the flier on the link below for more information.

[Key Club Fall Rally Information](#)

Hearts Card Playing Club Meets on Wednesdays

Any student interested in playing the card game Hearts can come to the Hearts Playing Club meetings on Wednesdays from 3:30 – 4:00 p.m. in Room E136. This is not a substitute if you are requested for RTI on a Wednesday.

Other Information

Substitute Teacher Authorization Information for Adults

Any Adult Interested in Online Teacher Training Through AEA Learning to Obtain Substitute Teaching Authorization:

<https://training.aealarningonline.org/course/2204419999/catalog>

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