



2023-24 School Year

Linn-Mar High School
Updates and Announcements
For Students and Parents
March 8, 2024



Calendar

March 11 – March 23, 2024

...Spring Break and Homestretch of 3rd Quarter...

Monday,	March 11	Spring Break – No Classes
Tuesday,	March 12	Spring Break – No Classes
Wednesday,	March 13	Spring Break – No Classes
Thursday,	March 14	Spring Break – No Classes
	4:00 p.m.	V Boys Track and Field Indoor @ Dubuque (Univ. of Dubuque)
Friday,	March 15	Spring Break – No Classes
	4:00 p.m.	V Girls Track and Field Indoor @ Dubuque (Univ. of Dubuque)
Saturday,	March 16	
Monday,	March 18	Regular Daily Schedule (9:00 – 4:00 p.m.)
	2:30 p.m.	*V Girls Track and Field Indoor @ Mt. Vernon (Cornell College)
	3:30 p.m.	*RTI
Tuesday,	March 19	Regular Schedule (9:00 – 4:00 p.m.)
	3:30 p.m.	RTI
Wednesday,	March 20	Regular Daily Schedule (9:00 – 4:00 p.m.)
	3:30 p.m.	RTI
	4:15 p.m.	Track Team Pictures (LM Main Gym)
Thursday,	March 21	Regular Schedule (9:00 – 4:00 p.m.)
	All Day	*Robotics FRC Iowa Regional @ Cedar Falls (UNI)
	3:00 p.m.	*V Girls Track and Field Indoor @ CR (Coe College)
	3:20 p.m.	*TORNADO DRILL
	3:30 p.m.	RTI
	5:10 p.m.	*V Girls Soccer Jamboree vs. Iowa City West @ CR (Kingston Stadium)
	7:00 p.m.	Spring Play (Little Theatre)
Friday,	March 22	Regular Daily Schedule (9:00 – 4:00 p.m.)
	All Day	*Robotics FRC Iowa Regional @ Cedar Falls (UNI)
	3:30 p.m.	RTI
	7:00 p.m.	Spring Play (Little Theatre)
Saturday,	March 23	
	All Day	Robotics FRC Iowa Regional @ Cedar Falls (UNI)
	8:00 a.m.	Science Olympiad Mock Practice (LMHS Science Labs)
	8:00 p.m.	Spring Fling Dance (LM Main Gym)

Notes

- 3/18 RTI: this is now an RTI day.
V Girls Track and Field dismissed at 12:50 p.m.
- 3/21 **TORNADO DRILL:** This is our 4th and final Tornado drill of the school year. Teachers will lead students to the shelter location. Everyone should remain silent during the entire drill so that communication can be made quickly. Upon arrival at the shelter location, students will sit and remain silent until the 'all clear' is given. The **goal for the drill is to be set in shelter locations in under three minutes.**
Robotics departing prior to 9:00 a.m.
V Girls Track and Field dismissed at 1:10 p.m.
V Girls Soccer dismissed at 3:55 p.m.
- 3/22 Robotics departing prior to 9:00 a.m.

Future

3/25	FIRE DRILL (3:20 p.m.)
3/28	Last day of 3 rd Quarter
3/29	Professional Development Day (no classes)
4/1	Professional Day (no classes)
4/2	1 st Day of 4 th Quarter (HOMEROOM, 3:30 p.m.)
4/4	FIRE DRILL (10:25 a.m.) GRADES DUE (4:30 p.m.)
4/10	LMHS Teacher-Principal 'Town Hall' (7:30 a.m. via Teams)
4/17	Conditions for Learning Survey (1 st Period)
4/18	INC Grades Due (4:30 p.m.)
4/23&24	ISASP (a.m.)
4/25	LMHS Parent Conferences (4:30 – 7:30 p.m.)
4/26	Comp Day (no classes)

Student Assistance Office

Student Assistance Specialists 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:

Joyce Booth-Baisten: joyce.booth@linnmar.k12.ia.us (319) 447-4884

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. Thanks to some hard work and efforts by some of our LMHS students, we now have a QR code and a link that can be used more easily for student reporting. The QR code will be posted at various locations around school and the link will be made available in the Updates as well as on the LMHS webpage on the district website.

High School Safe2Speakup

See Something. Say Something.

****This reporting tool is for High School students only. ****

Student reporting helps keep our schools safe. **Please click on the appropriate link below to report a concern to school administration and counselors.** A QR code has been posted around LMHS that will also take you directly to this link. Please note that if you report anonymously, the investigation may take longer to conduct. Reports to school administration are seen during normal school hours 7:30 am-4:00 pm Monday – Friday when school is in session. If it is outside of this time or an extreme emergency, please dial 911.

I need to make a report (THIS IS THE LINK)

I have been/Someone I know has been Sexually Assaulted

Weapon on School Grounds

I am/Someone I know is thinking about Suicide

3rd Quarter

Attention LMHS Students

All LMCS D parking lots, including LMHS, are not a hangout for socializing on weeknights or weekends. We are working with the Marion Police Department to notify everyone that the district and MPD will be working to keep parking lots clear during non-school event/activity times after school hours and on weekends. We thank everyone for your attention and cooperation.

Construction Impacts to Parking Begins after March 8 – PARKING ALERT

March 8 will be the last school day we will use the West (Door #1) parking area (14 parking spaces, 10 ADA parking spaces, 4 district vehicle spaces). It will also be the last day for some time that we will use the western-most area of the South Parking Lot

(approximately 71 parking spaces). **Please be aware that these locations will no longer be available when we return from spring break on March 18.** Additional ADA locations are planned to be added near the Door #2 and Door #14 areas. The Door #1 and Door #16 circle drive area, as well as the western-most area of the South Parking Lot, will be fenced off beginning after March 8. Emergency egress will be maintained; however, it will not be a regular entrance/exit location for the remainder of the construction project.

12th Grade – LMHS Class of 2024

How to Request a Transcript for College Applications

Seniors needing to request a transcript for a college should do so through Xello. [See this video](#) for details on how to add a school and request a transcript. Students who are applying via Common App must connect their Common App account to Xello - see this [YouTube video](#) for details.

IMPORTANT LMHS Class of 2024 Planning Dates

- 5/6 Senior Recognition Night (7:00 p.m., LMHS Auditorium)
- 5/11 Senior Prom (8:00 – 10:30 p.m., Olympic Southside Theater, CR)
- 5/22 Seniors Last Class Day (Graduation Rehearsal, 1:00 p.m.)
- 5/26 Commencement (1:00 p.m., Alliant Energy Powerhouse)

11th Grade

Proof of Immunization for Meningococcal

All Iowa students 16 years and older must meet the following immunization requirement *prior* to the first day of 12th grade:

- 1 dose Meningococcal (A,C,W,Y) vaccine received *after age 16 years*.

Please provide proof of immunization to the health office. A religious exemption is also acceptable.

Kirkwood Academy Registration Information

Sophomores and juniors can now register for Kirkwood Academies for the 2024-25 school year. To see a full list of available academies and how to register, go to <https://bit.ly/kccacademies>. Directions for registration are on slide 15.

ACT Prep on March 30

Linn-Mar HS will be hosting a Doorway to College Tutor for ACT Test prep Saturday, March 30, from 9:00AM-3:00PM. This session will include focused strategies for taking the ACT as well as practices tests and a study guide to use after the session. Cost of the session is \$95. Please sign up and pay at <https://www.doorwaytocollege.com/seminarinformation/act-seminar-details?id=11637>.

Upcoming visits- Students can sign up to meet with college admissions counselors at Linn-Mar at <https://sites.google.com/a/linnmar.k12.ia.us/linn-mar-high-school-counseling/career>.

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9th Grade

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

May 6

Activities

Fine Arts:

Congratulations to Colton Center Jazz Ensemble for placing 1st in Class 4A at the NEIBA Jazz Festival last Saturday and Qualifying for the Iowa Jazz Championships! Carter Buske (guitar) was awarded 'Outstanding Soloist'!

Congratulation to 10th Street Edition for being named Grand Champion at the CR Kennedy Show Choir Festival! Caption awards went to Jacob Jensen (Best Male Vocals),

Congratulations to the following 9th grade Orchestra members who were selected for the Kennedy Honor Orchestra: Anastasia Sackfield-violin, Simon Vieira-cello, Maddie Barnidge-cello, Ashlyn Novak-violin, Addison Luck-violin, Lily Carlson-violin, Grace Luo-violin, Sahana Nagarajan-violin, Sophia Weber-violin, Trystan Asher-bass, Rylee Passmore-violin, and Caleb DeLay-bass!

Congratulations to Jazz Collective for placing 3rd in Class 4A second band category at the Coe Jazz Festival! Alex Rodriguez (alto sax) earned an 'Honorable Mention' soloist award!

Other Information

Attendance this week (Thursday-Thursday) 93.9 % (this does not include today – the day before spring break – as there are not 93.9 % of students here so far today).

The next edition of the *Updates for Students and Parents* will be sent to all LMHS students and parents on March 22, 2024.