

Daily Announcements  
Linn-Mar High School  
Thursday, February 8, 2024

Black History Month is a month-long observance held annually during the month of February to honor and celebrate African Americans' incredible achievements and contributions throughout history. It highlights the stories and accomplishments of individuals who have impacted our society. As we continue our journey through Black History Month, every Thursday in February, we will explore the stories of other remarkable African American pioneers.

Today we highlight: **Alexander Clark**

Alexander Clark was born in Pennsylvania in 1826 and moved to Iowa in the mid-1850s. He settled in Muscatine, Iowa, where he became a prominent figure in the community and a trailblazer in the fight for civil rights.

1868, Alexander Clark made history by successfully challenging racial segregation in Iowa's public schools. He filed a lawsuit on behalf of his daughter, Susan Clark, who was denied admission to a local school based on her race. The case, "Clark v. Board of Directors," became the first successful school desegregation case in the United States.

Clark's victory in the case marked a significant milestone in African Americans' struggle for equal educational opportunities. He owned and operated a successful hotel in Muscatine and was a delegate to the Iowa Republican State Convention in 1868.

Alexander Clark's legacy as a civil rights pioneer and community leader is celebrated in Iowa. Muscatine has a park named after him, and his former home has been designated as a National Historic Landmark. His courageous efforts in the battle against racial discrimination inspire and remind us of the importance of fighting for justice and equality.

Course Registration for the 2024-25 School Year is open through this Friday, Feb. 9. The 2024-25 LMHS Program of Studies can be found at <https://magnify.web.app/>

Juniors and seniors each year are given the opportunity to register for Kirkwood career academy classes at the Kirkwood Linn Regional Center in Hiawatha. These academies are classes grouped by career interest and offered for the entire school year (except where indicated). Students should register for academies by March 29<sup>th</sup> to reserve their spots. **For more information about Academies or if you need help registering, please plan to come to an informational session during RTI on Tuesday, February 6<sup>th</sup>, Wednesday, February 7<sup>th</sup>, or Thursday, February 8<sup>th</sup> in the College/Career Center.**

It's that time of year to think about Prom! Z102.9, a local Radio Station, sponsors the annual Z102.9's Gown Town on Sunday, February 25<sup>th</sup> from 12 – 3 PM at the Kirkwood Linn County Regional Center on Boyson Road in Hiawatha.

Z102.9's Gown Town is a 100% FREE opportunity for high school students to come select a prom dress, shoes, or an accessory for their prom night! To learn more, please check out our website at: <https://www.kzia.com/z102-9s-gown-town/>

## CLUBS

Linn-Mar's Large Group Speech teams Please check your email about updates on Individual Speech rehearsals and other information!

## SPORTS – Thursday

Freshman Boys Basketball will host Western Dubuque tonight. Game time 6 & 7:15pm.

## NEWS from the COUNSELING OFFICE

**Deadline to apply for Workplace Learning Summer Internships is TODAY Feb 8<sup>th</sup>.** 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> graders, you can now apply for summer internships. Internships are a great way for you to learn more about the careers AND earn high school credit. Internships run from June – August and require 45 or 90 hours at the job site. Check your email for more details.

### **College Rep visits this week:**

A Rep from the Colleges listed below will be at Linn-Mar to meet with any students who has questions, or interest in learning more. Stop by the Counselors Office to get a pass to visit.

### **Visits planned for this week are:**

Don't forget to follow the Counselors Office on Instagram, @linnmarhscounseling to get updates on all of the events happening in the College & Career Center.

Seniors, Check out your NEXT local scholarship opportunity. Now's the time to submit your Greater Cedar Rapids Community Foundation Scholarships! 10 local scholarships available for Linn-Mar students! Eligibility requirements vary. Applications posted in

Xello! Scholarships must be filled out and turned into the counseling office by Thursday, February 15<sup>th</sup>.

Also, be sure to visit Xello weekly for new scholarship opportunities. **There are currently local scholarships available for you to apply today!** Don't miss out on this great opportunity to lessen the cost of tuition! Scholarship deadlines are fast approaching.

### Just a few reminders from the Dean's Office

Students must have a current 2023-2024 LMHS parking tag to park on campus during the school day.

All students with parking tags must park in their designated parking lot to avoid getting a \$25.00 parking violation. Tags must be displayed at all times.

Students parking off campus are NOT allowed to park in the following locations.

LRC/Compass

Excelsior Middle School

Indian Creek Elementary

Apartment parking lots across the street

Local businesses in the area

Students parking on the street please do not block driveways or fire hydrants or you will get ticketed by the Marion Police dept.