

RAM REPORT



February 1, 2021

REYNOLDS RAP PARENT EDITION

The past year has presented many challenges for students and families, and due to the uncertainty of the COVID pandemic and the variety of ways in which students are now accessing instruction, some students have fallen behind in their academic progress. The leadership team at LMHS is continually analyzing student data to determine which students are succeeding and which students are struggling so that we can strategize for how to adapt our instructional practices to improve student performance. One glaring conclusion from our analysis is that most students perform better when they attend school in person. If your student is still accessing instruction from home and is struggling to be successful, we implore you to send your child back to campus for in-person learning. You do not need to wait for the end of the quarter. You can bring your child back to school at any time, and we will work with you to make the necessary adjustments to your child's schedule.

Now that we are entering the 5th week of instruction for the 3rd quarter, it is important that our students focus on instruction so that they are prepared for the many high-stakes assessments that will be administered in the coming months. Of critical importance is the progress our seniors are making towards meeting graduation requirements. All seniors should have met with their counselors for a credit check by now, and letters have been mailed home to families of seniors who are at risk of not meeting graduation requirements. If you have questions about whether or not your senior is on track for graduation, please contact your child's counselor, and if you are not receiving a response, please email me at mickey_reynolds@scps.us or call my office at 407-320-9502. We are committed to assisting our seniors in meeting graduation requirements, because we want all of our students to earn their high school diploma. And no matter what your family situation, we can help, so please reach out! -Dr. Reynolds

Coming Soon: Underclass Registration for 2021-22 Classes

Students in grades 9-11 will soon be registering for the classes they will take in the 2021-22 school year. This is a critical process that requires much conversation and thought so that students are scheduled for the classes that will best meet their academic and career goals.

The registration process has already begun internally, because we start the process by collecting teacher recommendations for which classes students should take in core, academic classes. Core classes (English, math, science, & social studies) are pre-loaded on student registration cards; however, students have the right to request a change in the core courses recommended by their current teachers.

The next step in the registration process is that students receive their registration cards, with their core courses already listed, and they are asked to fill in the elective courses they wish to take. During this step, students have the opportunity to meet with their counselors during the school day to ask questions and discuss their options. **This process will begin the week of February 8th. Counselor meetings occur Feb. 19-26.** Following are the classes where students will have the opportunity to meet with counselors;

- Current 9th graders: through English class
- Current 10th graders: through World History
- Current 11th graders: through English class

Once students review the registration process with classroom teachers and have the opportunity to meet with their counselors, they are asked to turn in their registration cards. The deadline for students turning in their registration cards is February 26th; however, students will have the ability to make changes to their course requests through the end of March.

Parents and guardians, please begin discussing the classes your child wishes to take for the 2021-22 school year.

THIS WEEK IN ATHLETICS

Girls Basketball

Wednesday: District Semi-Finals @ Spruce Creek. 5:30pm

Friday: District Finals @ Spruce Creek (if win on Wednesday). 7:00pm

Boys Basketball

Monday: Home vs. Deland. Freshman (vs. Foundation) @ 4:30, JV @ 6:00, Varsity @ 7:30. ***Senior Night and Spirit Night**

Thursday: Home vs. Bishop Moore. Freshman @ 4:30, JV @ 6:00, Varsity @ 7:30.

Boys Soccer

Friday: Home vs. TBA. District Semi-Finals. 7:00pm

Girls Soccer

Thursday: Home vs. TBA. District Semi-Finals. 7:00pm

Wrestling

Saturday: SAC Championships hosted by Lake Mary. 9:00am

Free Tickets for Students

The Athletic Department is now offering free student tickets to home events. For this week's home basketball match-ups, the first 75 students will be let in for free, but remember to bring your ID! For stadium events, all students will receive free admission!

Congratulations!

Congratulations to the girls basketball team and the boys soccer team for winning the Seminole Athletic Conference this season. Both teams have had great regular seasons and are preparing for their district tournament this week. Coach Tyler Weston will be named the SAC Coach of the Year in boys soccer and Coach Peggy Knight will as well in girls basketball. Good luck this week!

Heads Up

*Come out and support the boys basketball seniors on Monday night against University High School. The game is Senior Night. The ceremony will take place before the varsity game so get there early. The first 75 students to arrive with their Lake Mary ID's will get in free.

*The girls soccer team will compete at home on Thursday night in the District Semi-Finals and the boys soccer team will do the same on Friday night. A win at home will propel both teams into the district championship and ultimately the state playoffs. Get out and support your boys and girls soccer teams this week at home.

Reminders

*By order of SCPS, we require all spectators to wear masks for the duration of sporting events.

Are You Ready for Some Futbol? LMHS Girls and Boys Soccer Teams Prepare for District Competition

Congrats to the LMHS Senior Girls Soccer Players!



Girl Power - Go Rams!

The LMHS girls soccer team will be playing in a district semi-final game this Thursday at 7:00 pm in the Don T. Reynolds Stadium. Students with ID will be admitted for free and are encouraged to show up in your pajamas for our PJ Spirit Night! Come out to support our Lady Rams in their bid for the district title!

BOYS SOCCER SENIOR NIGHT

LMHS
BOYS
SOCCER
SENIORS



SENIOR
PLAYERS
& THEIR
FAMILIES



CONGRATS TO OUR SENIOR SOCCER PLAYERS!

The LMHS boys soccer team enters the district tournament as the #1 seed. They will play at home in the district semi-final this Friday, Feb. 5th at 7:00 pm. Students with a school ID will be admitted to the game for free. If and when the boys make it through to the district finals, we will be holding a Tacky Tourist Spirit Night at the Seminole Sports Complex.

FSA RETAKES

FSA/ELA Writing/Reading Retake scores for students who tested in the first semester are now posted in Skyward.

Students need a score of 350 to meet the reading graduation requirement.

The score is posted with a test date of 09/01/2020.

The FSA/ELA Writing/Reading Retakes will be offered again beginning on Monday, February 8th. Face to Face students will be scheduled to test and Connect and Save My Seat students will be sent out a link next week to sign up to come on campus and take it.

Students will be sent an email if they are scheduled to test and it will include their testing date and testing location.

These assessments must be taken on campus. Email kathleen_aslin@scps.us if you have any questions.

The FSA ELA assessment consists of three sessions - Writing (120 minutes or longer, Reading Session 1 (90 minutes or longer), and Reading Session 2 (90 minutes or longer). (This is for current 11th grade students.)

Passing the FSA/ELA is a graduation requirement. Students may also utilize any of the following options to meet the FSA ELA high school graduation requirement:

- Earn a level 3 on the FSA ELA retake during ANY future administration (offered twice a year October/November or February/March)
- Earn/use a concordant score on one of the following assessments:
 1. SAT ERW Score of 480+ (grade 9-11 students - 11th Grade will take SAT on April 13)
 2. ACT an average score of 18 on English and Reading Subtests (11th Grade will take ACT on March 2)

More information will be sent out once we receive the scores for the students who took FSA/ELA Retakes during the first semester.

TESTING UPDATE

Save the Date

The ACT will be offered to all Juniors on Tuesday, March 2 during the school day and it will be free of charge. Students will automatically be signed up for this and Save My Seat and Connect students will be invited to come and take it. A link will be sent to Save My Seat and Connect students this week.

The SAT will be offered to all Juniors on Tuesday, April 13 during the school day and it will be free of charge. Students can set up a College Board account at www.collegeboard.org and can link their account to Khan Academy where they have access to official SAT practice items. More information will be sent out closer to the testing date

National SAT/ACT Testing Dates

Students can register through College Board (www.collegeboard.com) and ACT (www.act.org) to take these tests on a Saturday National Testing Date.

SAT –March 13, May 8, June 5

ACT – February 6, April 17, June 12, July 17

Special Congratulations to the LMHS Marionettes!



Our varsity Marionette dance team (pictured on left), as well as our JV team (pictured on right) competed this weekend in the Universal Dance Association (UDA) regional competition. Both teams came away with first place honors! The varsity team won first place in Jazz and Game Day, and the JV team won first place in Game Day! Congratulations to our dancers and coaches for an outstanding performance! You make us proud!

Update from Student Services

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How to Schedule an Appointment with Your Counselor

Students can schedule an appointment with their counselor by clicking on the student services page and selecting counselors and appointments. As always please remember to check your school email as important information always gets sent to this email. This is applicable for all grade levels.

Seniors: Do you need help Completing College Applications?

Seminole State College Admissions Department will host a "Virtual Application Day" on March 2nd at 4pm. More details to come. Seminole State College will have a representative from TRIO Connection of Central Florida on Feb 10th, 17th and 24th from 8am-2pm in the College and Careers room. Any Save My Seat/Seminole Connect students that wish to participate can register at: <https://forms.gle/Ytp8C8fTDrgZ2v6D8> Parents are welcome and encouraged to register and participate.

TRIO Connections from SSC will hold a FAFSA LAB on Thursday, February 11th from 4pm-6pm.

Any Save My Seat/Seminole Connect students that wish to participate can register at:

<https://www.seminolestate.edu/trio/appointments>

Scholarship and Financial Aid Assistance for Seniors

Questions about scholarships? Schedule your informational scholarship meeting <https://forms.gle/vlqxp9itPLXbjSr5> For any additional questions please contact Student Services and make sure you continue to check your school email.

TRIO Connections from SSC will hold a Financial Aid /FAFSA LAB for senior students and their parents on Thursday, February 11th from 4pm-6pm. Any Save My Seat/Seminole Connect students that wish to participate can register at:

<https://www.seminolestate.edu/trio/appointments>

Registration

Students will receive their 2021-2022 registration information by their modality starting the week of February 8th. Face to Face students will receive their information through English 3/AP Language Composition, World History and English 1 classes. Seminole Connect and Save My Seat Virtual students will visit All LMHS eCampus page to access the registration information. Counselors will begin Face to Face and Seminole Connect meetings with students by grade level to review and discuss next year's course selections February 16 - February 26. Be sure to have your registration card completed for your meeting. More information to come.

If you are not sure of what electives to register for next year, sign into Kuder-Mycareershines and complete the career interest survey. The Kuder tile is located on your eCampus page.

Students wishing to take a dual enrollment course must meet certain criteria. A general education dual enrollment course requires an unweighted 3.0 and a career dual enrollment course requires an unweighted 2.5 GPA. College ready placement courses are also required. Students can use their SAT or ACT scores or may take the PERT at Seminole State College for free.

Bright Futures Scholarships

All seniors were encouraged to complete the online Bright Futures Scholarship application, Florida Financial Aid Form. Completion of the Florida Financial Aid Form assures that each senior will be evaluated for the Bright Futures Scholarship Program and other scholarships awarded by the state. Please note this is not the FAFSA, which students and parents need to complete to be eligible for any need based financial assistance. First round of transcripts have been sent to the Office of Student Financial Assistance in Tallahassee.

Make sure you complete your Bright Futures application before Spring Break. Transcripts will be sent after graduation for a final scholarship evaluation. Students who need to complete their 75 or 100 hours for the Bright Futures Scholarship must have this completed and turned into the Student Services Office BEFORE graduation. Seniors who need to improve SAT or ACT test scores can take these tests in May or June.

Graduate with Dignity



A special Thank You to the Lake Mary Rotary Club for donating 15k to our Graduate with Dignity Program. Email Assistant Principal Melisa Ayala-Cruz for more information @ melisa_ayala@scps.us