

RAM REPORT

August 15, 2021

We Are Family!

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The first week of school at Lake Mary High was full of excitement with 2,700 students attending school for in-person learning. Our faculty hit the ground running by engaging students in their lessons, and students seemed very excited to get back to school, get settled into their new classes, and reconnect with friends.

In spite of all the back to school excitement, I realize that many students and families are worried about the spread of COVID. According to guidance from the Seminole County Department of Health, vaccinations and face coverings are recommended as the best way to keep students safe. SCPS has resumed tracking student cases through a COVID Dashboard, and this dashboard can be found at <https://www.scps.k12.fl.us/covid19/dashboard.stml>. As of Friday afternoon, LMHS had 10 active COVID cases among students. As a reminder about contact tracing, our COVID Safety Manager, Mr. Michael Hennessy, conducts contact tracing for each positive case, and students who are not vaccinated and were less than 6-feet away from the positive student for 15 minutes or more are required to quarantine.

In other news, athletic competition begins this week with pre-season games in girls volleyball, varsity football, cross country, and boys and girls golf. Details about all athletic competitions are included in the Athletic Department Update each week in this newsletter.

In addition to athletics ramping up this week, many of our clubs are beginning to hold meetings after school. Students should listen to morning announcements, follow LMHS social media, and reference our website to stay informed about upcoming opportunities. We love for our students to get engaged in extra-curricular activities. Have a great week, and Go Rams! -Dr. Reynolds

WHAT'S NEW IN RAMNATION

Saying Farewell

School Administration Manager, Mr. Reginald Miller, was hired as an Assistant Principal at Hagerty High School last week, and this week will be his last in RamNation. Mr. Miller has served RamNation for three years, working with discipline, Student Activities, School Safety Guards, and our Young Men and Women of Excellence. We thank him for his service, congratulate him on his promotion, and wish him the best at his next post.



Beginning This Week

This week, we begin our regular bell schedule with block schedules on Monday/Tuesday and Thursday/Friday and students meeting all 7 periods on Wednesday. Also, we will begin counting tardies this week, so students should make an effort to report to all classes on time. Finally, we will begin stickering cars this week who park on campus without a permit.

Athletics Update

Girls Volleyball

Tuesday: Varsity Home vs. Boone @ 7:00pm
(Preseason Tournament)

Thursday: Varsity Home vs. TBA @ 5:00 or
7:00 (Preseason Tournament)

Football

Friday: Home vs. Timber Creek @ 7:00pm
(Preseason Kick-Off Classic)

Cross Country

Saturday: Lake Mary Preseason Mike
Gibson Summertime Run @ Lake Mary,
7:30am

Girls Golf

Saturday: Preseason Event @ Lone Palm
Golf Club, Noon

Boys Golf

Saturday: Preseason Event @ Lone Palm
Golf Club, Noon

Notes

SCPS has increased the price of adult tickets to sporting events this school year. Adult tickets have gone up by \$1 across the board. Students ticket prices did not change (\$3).

SCPS will continue to use GoFan for ticketing this year. Visit GoFan.co to purchase tickets to sporting events at Lake Mary and around Seminole County. If you have an iPhone you can download the GoFan app.

The Lake Mary High School Athletic Department is looking for student volunteers to help with Game Day operations and coverage of our athletic teams. You can earn community service hours as well as entry into athletic events. If you're interested, stop by the athletic office in Student Services.

Student Activities

Drama Club Interest Meeting

Students interested in joining the LMHS Drama Club should attend an interest meeting in the auditorium this Monday, August 16, at 2:30 pm. If you have questions, you can email Trevor Southworth at trevor_southworth@scps.us

Unity Step Team Tryouts

Students interested in trying out for the Unity Step Team should pick up a packet in room 1-177 from Coach Lupis. Tryouts begin on Monday, August 23rd and continue on August 24th and 26th from 2:30 - 4:30 pm. No experience is necessary! You can contact the Step Team Coach, Kelly Lupis, at kelly_lupis@scps.us if you have any questions.



UNITY STEP TEAM TRYOUTS

Please pick up a packet in room
1-177 before tryouts
No experience necessary:)

TRYOUT DATES: 8/23, 8/24, 8/26
2:30-4:30

Must attend ALL Tryout dates!
Please see Coach Lupis for details.
Kelly_Lupis@scps.k12.fl.us

Student Services

Schedule Changes

Thank you for using the QR scan to submit your schedule change requests. Counselors are working diligently to evaluate your submissions. Schedule changes are made for the following reasons:

1. Student is enrolled in a class they have already taken and passed (credit earned).
2. A senior student needs a certain class to graduate.
3. The student has not met the prerequisite.
4. There is a "hole" in the schedule during that period.

Please continue to check your skyward for course changes as we continue to navigate through this process as well as leveling classes.

Dual Enrollment

If you have plans to enroll in Fall classes at Seminole State College, be sure to check your email for directions and complete the registration process. See steps to enrollment that are attached to this email.

Appointments

For students or parents to make an appointment with their counselor, please visit the LMHS website at <http://www.lakemaryhs.scps.k12.fl.us/>. On the website, click the Student Services tab and then the Counselors and Appointments link. From there, you will see the student booking appointment link as well as the phone number for parents to call and make an appointment.

If you need to speak to your School Counselor for an immediate need, please do not hesitate to come to the Student Services Office for assistance. We are Ramily!

Counselor Assignments

Following is a list of counselors and their assignments by student last name:

Winnola Grigley (Director): Abdo - Cleavenger

Rachel Vallario: Clements - Grubbs

Brandon Thompson: Gruber - Loo

Sheyla Neira-Changa: Lopez - Offenbacker & ESOL

Angela Stufflet: O'Grady - Signorello

Andrea Steinborn: Sigurasson - Zuzunaga

Evelyn Martinez: ESE

Testing Update

Save the Date

The ACT will be given to all 11th grade students on Tuesday, October 5 during the school day.

The PSAT will be given to all 9th-11th grade students on Wednesday, October 13 during the school day.

The SAT will be given to all 12th grade students on Wednesday, October 13 during the school day. 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.

Students will not need to register for these assessments and there will be no charge. More information will be sent out closer to the testing dates.

Advanced Placement Exams

Students who are currently enrolled in an Advanced Placement course will register for the exam through a College Board online process. All students are required to take the AP exam for the AP courses in which they are enrolled. Students will receive the exam order information in their AP class(es). Please see the attached parent letter with more information.

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 – August 28, October 2, November 6, December 4, March 12, May 7, and June 4

ACT – September 11, October 23, December 11, February 12, April 2, June 11, July 16