# THE RAM REPORT

August 21, 2022

Rams are Back in Action!

### **REYNOLDS RAP**

I would like to start this week's letter by apologizing for the Open House date changes. We originally scheduled it on Election Night, and we absolutely want to give all of our family members the leeway to vote right up until the polls close. so we have moved the date to Monday, August 29th. Please arrive a few minutes early, because we want you to be in your child's first period class by 6:00 pm. Also, please bring a copy of your child's schedule, complete with room numbers. You will follow that schedule to meet all of your child's teachers and learn about course content and expectations. And don't worry, we'll hand out maps upon your arrival. Also at Open House you can join PTSA and our Booster organization, as well as buy Ram gear and sign up to be a mentor!

The first eight days of the new school year are behind us, and I am very excited about the level of student enthusiasm and participation in extra-curricular activities. I can tell that our students want to take advantage of every opportunity during their high school experience. Please take a note of our Athletics section of the newsletter, because competitions are ramping up this week. Even though varsity football is away at Dr. Phillips this week, our JV team debuts at home Wednesday night vs.

Osceola at 6:00 pm, so come on out and support our guys! Go Rams! -Dr. Reynolds

### WHAT'S NEW IN RAMNATION

OPEN HOUSE
2022



Join us for a FUN Evening of Meeting New Teachers, Finding Classrooms and Getting Excited for a New School Year!

#### INTEREST MEETINGS THIS WEEK

Clubs, sports, and arts are starting up, and we have a number of upcoming interest meetings. Here's a list of upcoming events:

**Monday, Aug. 22nd**: **Drama Club** Interest Meeting after school in the auditorium

Wed., Aug 24th: Girls Soccer Interest Meeting

after school on the Senior Patio

Wed., Aug 24th: Girls Wrestling Interest Meeting in room 1-222 (Coach Strickland's rm) Wed., Aug 24th: Speech and Debate Club

Interest Meeting, 1:45-2:30 Group Projects Rm

Thurs., Aug 25th: Sports Statistics &

Analytics Club After school in rm 1-209.

# Athletics Update

#### Football

**Wednesday**: JV Home vs. Osceola. 6:00pm. **Friday**: Varsity Away vs. Dr. Phillips. 7:00pm.

### **Girls Volleyball**

**Wednesday**: Away vs. Hagerty. Freshman @ 4:30, JV @ 5:30, Varsity @ 7:00pm.

### Boys/Girls Bowling

Monday: Vs. Lake Howell @ Airport Lanes.

3:00pm

Wednesday: Vs. Winter Springs @ Oviedo

Bowling Center. 3:00pm.

### **Cross Country**

Saturday: Spikes and Spurs Classic @

Flagler Palm Coast. 7:30am.

### Girls Golf

Wednesday: Vs. Oviedo @ Heathrow

Country Club. 3:00pm.

Thursday: Vs. Circle Christian @ Wekiva Golf

Club. 4:00pm.

### **Boys Golf**

Monday: Nease "Back to School Invitational"

@ Ponte Vedra Inn & Club

Friday/Saturday: Windermere Invitational

@ Legends and Reserve

### Swimming and Diving

No meet this week.

#### **Announcements**

Tickets for events at all Seminole County Public Schools can only be purchased through GoFan.co. Cash is not accepted at the gate.

Reminder that no bags or outside food/drink are allowed at events at Lake Mary High School and other SCPS campuses.

#### **Have Questions about Athletics?**

If you have questions about any of our athletic programs, contact our Athletic Department personnel:

Athletic Secretary: Griselle Quinones

Email: griselle quinones@scps.us

Phone: 407-320-9557

**Athletic Director:** Rick Weyers Email: rick weyers@scps.us

Phone: 407-320-9666

### Student activities

Drama Club Interest Meeting: All those interested in joining the Lake Mary High School Drama Club be sure to attend our first meeting of the school year on Monday, Aug. 22nd at 2:30 in the auditorium. We will be discussing important dates, audition information, and details on how to become a Thespian. We have a lot of exciting events happening this year and want you to be a part of it! Please see Mr. Southworth in 3-117 or Ms. Gaudreau in 3-120 for any questions.

Unity Step Team Tryouts: Interested in trying out for the Lake Mary Unity Step Team? Tryouts begin on September 6th. Please stop by room 1-177 to see Coach Lupis for a packet.

### **Beat Brantley T-Shirt Competition:**

SGA is having a T-Shirt design competition for the Lake Mary vs Lake Brantley game. Designs must be school appropriate and on a white shirt. Designs must be submitted digitally to Mrs. Jordan by August 26th at 2:30pm. The winner will receive a free t-shirt with their design on it!

Join the Chess Club! Lake Mary's Chess Club will be having our inaugural meeting on Monday, 8/22. Everyone is welcome, from seasoned chess players to people who have never played a game. We look forward to seeing all of you in Mr. Hinton's room, 1-212 at 2:30 Monday.



### Student activities.

National Honor Society: Seniors! If you have a 3.5 weighted GPA or higher, check your SCPS email for an invitation to apply for membership in the National Honor Society! The invitation came from Dr. Peabody on Friday, August 19th and was sent to your SCPS email address. The deadline to apply is Friday, September 2nd. Don't miss out!

### Join the Speech and Debate Team!

Informational meeting Wednesday, August 24th from 1:45-2:30pm in the Group Projects Room.

Interested in Sports Statistics? We have a new club on campus- Sports Statistics and Analytics! There will be an Interest Meeting on Thursday, August 25th after school. If you are interested and have any questions, please see Mrs. Schwartz in Rm. 1-209.





### Student Services

If you are taking dual enrollment courses this Fall, remember that classes begin August 22. Be sure to check your personal email for updates from SSC regarding the registration process, setting up your SSC email and additional required accounts.

SSC Additional Dates and Deadlines Classes begin (full term)- 8/22/22 Drop Deadline (full term)- 8/26/22 Classes begin (12 week)- 9/12/22 Withdraw Deadline (full term)- 10/25/22 Classes End- 12/10/22

### Save the Dates for LMHS Student Services Events

September 6-13 - Senior Credit Checks September 23 - Freshman "How to Lake Mary" November 14-18 - Junior Credit Checks December 12-16 - Sophomore Credit Checks

### **Student Schedules**

Students, please be sure you are checking skyward and your student email daily. Counselors have received over 1,300 responses to the schedule change request form and may email you if they have questions, or to let you know that your schedule has been changed. We appreciate your patience as we continue to work through these requests and please remember, not all changes may be accommodated. The form closed for change requests on Friday, August 19th.

Additionally, because of the increase in student enrollment, classes are now being leveled. As a result, students you may experience a class period and/or teacher change to their current schedule.

#### **Virtual Courses**

All SCVS/FLVS classes must be completed by the deadline provided by your online teacher. Make sure you stay on task with the modules in your course. All students enrolled in a virtual course must complete the virtual contract and return it to your school counselor. See form attached to this email.

### Student Services

### **Senior Credit Checks**

Senior Credit Checks will be completed in September, please look out for a letter and student self-credit check sheet in your home mailbox in the coming weeks as we get ready for these student meetings. If you took Virtual courses or Dual Enrollment courses over the summer, be sure to print out your grades and bring them with you to your credit check meeting.

### **Dual Enrollment at SSC**

Students must meet with their counselor prior to having dual enrollment courses approved. Remember the first step to dual enrollment is to apply for admission to SSC before the deadline.

If you submitted an admissions application or are currently a dual enrollment student, be sure you are also checking your Seminole State email and the email you listed on your admissions application. The link below will direct you to additional information for dual enrollment.

https://www.scps.k12.fl.us/district/departments/instructional-resources/dual-enrollment

#### **Student Email**

Students, please ensure that you check your email at least twice a week. Students, email is a primary way for many to communicate. To get to your school email, you will log on to your Clever Portal and select the Office 365 application. From there, you can check and respond to important information and review school announcements that are sent to all students and families.

#### **Letters of Recommendation**

Seniors as you are starting to apply to college, requests for letters will come to your school counselor. Be sure to complete the "Counselor Letter of Recommendation" form located in the Student Services Office or on our school website. You may email this directly to your counselor or give it to Mrs. Maupin in Student Services to submit to your counselor. Please allow 2 weeks before you return to pick up your letter. Also, ensure all information requested on the form is completed so that your counselor can provide you with an appropriate letter.

### **Community Service Volunteer Hours**

We encourage students desiring to qualify for the Bright Futures Scholarship to complete and turn in your volunteer hours no later than May 1st. Students can obtain SCPS Volunteer Service Program Guidelines & Service Plan form in the student services office or the school website

### Assessment Notes

Following are LMHS Assessments Events that students and parents should note:

- The PSAT will be given to all 9th-11th grade students on Wednesday, October 12 during the school day.
- The SAT will be given to all 12th grade students on Wednesday, October 12 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.
- The ACT will be given to all 11th grade students on Tuesday, November 1 and Tuesday, March 28 during the school day.
- The SAT will be given to all 11th grade students on Wednesday, March 1 during the school day.
- 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.

## SAT / ACT Testing

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

**SAT** -August 27, October 1, November 5, December 3, March 11, May 6, and June 3

**ACT** - September 10, October 22, December 10, February 11, April 15, June 10, July 15



# Testing Update

### Florida Assessment of Student Thinking (FAST)

The Florida Assessment of Student Thinking (FAST) is a progress monitoring tool that will be administered to all 9th and 10th grade students three times per year to track your student's progress in learning the Benchmarks of Excellent Student Thinking (B.E.S.T.) Standards throughout this school year.

The assessment is computer based and is 60 minutes in length and students can have up to 90 minutes. Any students who are approved for extra time (according to IEP or 504) will have an additional 45 minutes so 135 minutes in total.

9th grade students will test on Thursday, September 1 and 10th grade students will test on Monday, August 29. Student testing time and location information will be emailed to students and parents and will be posted outside Media.

The FAST parent letter with more information is attached.

### **Algebra and Geometry STAR Assessments**

High School students currently enrolled in Algebra 1 or Geometry will be participating in the Renaissance Star Algebra or Geometry screener within their mathematics classrooms between August 15th – September 2nd. Both the Algebra and the Geometry tests are 34-item standards-based adaptive assessments that take an average of less than 45 minutes. Results of this screening tool will aid teachers in providing an academic learning environment focused on your student's individual needs.

Star scores represent students' performance on the screener compared to the performance of a nationally representative sample of students, called the norm group. These scores present a snapshot of achievement at a specific point in time. As with any test or screener, it is important to remember that many factors can affect a student's screener scores. Star results give only one picture of how a student is doing in their mathematics course.

Students will be taking their assessment during their scheduled Algebra and Geometry courses. The dates of testing at LMHS are August 15-September 2.

## Booster Club Event

#### **Top Golf Fundraiser**

The Lake Mary High School Booster Club is holding a fundraising event at Top Golf of Lake Mary on Sunday, August 28th, from 2:00 - 5:00 pm. If you are interested in serving as a sponsor for this event or just participating to have some fun, please see the flyer below for information on how to register.



### PISA

STUDENTS, TEACHERS, and FAMILY MEMBERS, by joining the LMHS PTSA, you become a member of an organization that works year-round to support the school staff and improve the health, safety, education, and welfare of all students.

To sign up visit

https://lmhsptsa.memberhub.com/store

Dues are \$7.00 per member, and there is zero obligation to volunteer, however, if you would like to get involved, please contact us at ramptsa@gmail.com.

Thank you for joining and helping us reach our membership goal!

## NIKOIC Booster Club

The LMHS NJROTC Booster Club meets the first Wednesday of every month at 6:30pm in the NJROTC portables (at the back of the school). The purpose of the Monthly NJROTC Booster Club meeting is to update cadet parents on NJROTC activities, and promote a high degree of parent involvement. The LMHS NJROTC Booster Club has setup several sub-committees to support the upcoming NJROTC activities being planned this school year, and is looking for parent volunteers. Come to any of the monthly Booster Club meetings to find out more, or email the LMHS NJROTC Booster Club President, Christy Hunter at LMHSNJROTC@gmail.com.

## Serior Portraits

### Seniors, tomorrow is your last chance to have your senior portrait taken for the yearbook!!

Portraits are being taken tomorrow, August 22nd, from 7:00 am - 2:00 pm in the auditorium, and seniors will be released from their English classes. Seniors must have \$10.00 in cash to have their portraits taken.



# Free/Reduced Lunch

For the past two years, all students have received free breakfast and lunch meals on our campus. That benefit has now come to an end, and families wishing to apply for this benefit must submit an online application ASAP. The application can be found at <a href="SCPSMealAPP.com">SCPSMealAPP.com</a>

## Scenes Around Compus





