



Linn-Mar High School Updates and Announcements For Students and Parents April 14, 2023



Calendar

April 17 – April 22, 2023

...Preparing for ISASP...

Monday,	April 17	Regular Daily Schedule (9:00 – 4:00 p.m.)
	All Day	LMHS Art Show (Pride Rock Commons)
	All Day	*FFA State Leadership Conference @ Ames (ISU)
	3:15 p.m.	*V Girls Golf (Hunters Ridge G.C.)
	3:30 p.m.	9th Grade Connection
	4:30 p.m.	*JV1 Girls Tennis vs. Xavier (LRC Courts)
		*JV1 Boys Tennis @ Xavier
	6:00 p.m.	*JV2 Boys (Black) Soccer @ Iowa City High
Tuesday,	April 18	Regular Daily Schedule (9:00 – 4:00 p.m.)
	All Day	FFA State Leadership Conference @ Ames (ISU)
	All Day	LMHS Art Show (Pride Rock Commons)
	3:15 p.m.	*JV Girls Golf (Hunters Ridge G.C.)
	3:20 p.m.	*FIRE DRILL #4
	3:30 p.m.	RTI
	4:00 p.m.	*V Girls Tennis @ CR Prairie
		*V Boys Tennis vs. CR Prairie (LRC Courts)
	4:15 p.m.	Esports Mario Kart Team vs. Clear Creek-Amana and Urbandale
		*JV/V Boys Track and Field @ CR (Kingston Stadium)
	4:30 p.m.	*JV/V Girls Track and Field @ Dubuque Senior
	5:15 p.m.	*JV1/V Girls Soccer @ CR Prairie
	5:45 p.m.	*JV1/V Boys Soccer vs. CR Prairie (LM Stadium)
Wednesday,	April 19	Regular Daily Schedule (9:00 – 4:00 p.m.)
	All Day	LMHS Art Show (Pride Rock Commons)
	7:30 a.m.	National Letter of Intent Signing Ceremony (South Commons)
	9:01 a.m.	*‘Conditions For Learning’ Survey (All Grades)
	9:30 a.m.	*V Girls Golf CRANDIC @ Marion (Gardner G.C.)
	3:30 p.m.	RTI
	4:30 p.m.	*V Girls Tennis vs. CR Washington (LRC Courts)
		*V Boys Tennis @ CR Washington
Thursday,	April 20	Regular Daily Schedule (9:00 – 4:00 p.m.)
	All Day	LMHS Art Show (Pride Rock Commons)
	8:15 a.m.	District Insurance Presentation (Little Theatre)
	9:01 a.m.	*Serious Threat-Intruder ‘Barricade and Prepare to Fight’ Drill
	2:40 p.m.	*JV Girls Golf @ Marion (Gardner G.C.)
	3:30 p.m.	RTI
		*V Girls/Boys Track and Field @ Iowa City High
	4:00 p.m.	*V Girls Tennis vs. Dubuque Senior (LRC Courts)
		*V Boys Tennis @ Dubuque Senior
	5:30 p.m.	*JV1/V Boys Soccer @ Xavier
	5:45 p.m.	JV1/V Girls Soccer vs. Xavier (LM Stadium)
Friday,	April 21	Regular Daily Schedule (9:00 – 4:00 p.m.)
	All Day	LMHS Art Show (Pride Rock Commons)
	All Day	*FFA IJAS Science Fair @ Cedar Falls (UNI)
	3:30 p.m.	RTI
	4:15 p.m.	*JV2 Boys (Red) Soccer @ Iowa City Liberty
	4:30 p.m.	*JV2 Girls Tennis vs. CR Washington (LRC Courts)

*JV2 Boys Tennis @ CR Washington
 5:45 p.m. *JV2 Boys (Black) Soccer @ CR Washington (Kingston Stadium)
 7:00 p.m. SODA Sand Volleyball Tourney @ CR (Volleys)

Saturday, April 22

8:00 a.m. V Girls Tennis vs. CR Kennedy (LRC Courts)
 V Boys Tennis @ CR Kennedy
 10:00 a.m. V Girls Soccer vs. Waukee @ Bettendorf HS
 JV1/V Boys Soccer vs. Iowa City Liberty (LM Stadium)
 11:00 a.m. JV2 Girls Soccer vs. Clear Creek-Amana @ Marion HS
 12:00 p.m. V Girls Tennis vs. Xavier (LRC Courts)
 V Boys Tennis @ Xavier
 2:00 p.m. V Girls Soccer vs. Pleasant Valley @ Bettendorf HS

*Notes

4/17 FFA departing on 4/16.
 V Girls Golf dismissed at 1:45 p.m.
 JV1 Girls Tennis dismissed at 3:45 p.m.
 JV1 Boys Tennis dismissed at 3:20 p.m.
 JV2 Boys (Black) Soccer dismissed at 3:50 p.m.
 4/18 JV Girls Golf dismissed at 1:45 p.m.
 V Girls Tennis dismissed at 2:30 p.m.
 V Boys Tennis dismissed at 3:15 p.m.
 JV/V Girls Track and Field dismissed at 1:40 p.m.
 JV/V Boys Track and Field dismissed at 2:30 p.m.
 JV1/V Girls Soccer dismissed at 3:25 p.m.
 4/19 'Conditions for Learning Survey' – All students will be taking this required state survey during
 1st Period/1st Block.
 V Girls Golf departing prior to 9:00 a.m.
 V Girls Tennis dismissed at 3:45 p.m.
 V Boys Tennis dismissed at 3:10 p.m.
 4/20 JV Girls Golf dismissed at 1:20 p.m.
 V Girls Track and Field dismissed at 12:55 p.m.
 V Boys Track and Field dismissed at 1:10 p.m.
 V Girls Tennis dismissed at 3:15 p.m.
 V Boys Tennis dismissed at 1:50 p.m.
 JV1/V Boys Soccer dismissed at 3:55 p.m.
 4/21 FFA departing prior to 9:00 a.m.
 JV2 Boys (Red) Soccer dismissed at 2:15 p.m.
 JV2 Girls Tennis dismissed at 3:45 p.m.
 JV2 Boys Tennis dismissed at 3:25 p.m.
 JV2 Boys (Black) Soccer dismissed at 3:55 p.m.

Future

4/26 Iowa Statewide Assessment of Student Progress for 9th-11th Grades (12th Grade-No Classes)

Student Assistance Office

Student Assistance Counselors 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:

Janessa Carr: janessa.carr@linnmar.k12.ia.us (319) 892-4884
 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.** 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

4th Quarter

Fire Drill on April 18:

We have Fire Drill remaining at 3:20 p.m. on April 18. Our goal is always to have everyone out of building in under two minutes and to the evacuation location in four minutes. Our April 11 drill had everyone out of the building in one minute, fifty seconds.

State of Iowa 'Conditions for Learning' Survey on April 19 (1st Period/1st Block):

LMHS students will be taking the State of Iowa 'Conditions for Learning' Survey during 1st Period-1st Block on Wednesday, April 19. Parents were sent information regarding the 'Conditions for Learning' Survey last week. The survey typically takes students between 10-15 minutes to complete.

Serious Threat-Intruder 'Barricade and Prepare to Fight' Drill on Thursday, April 20, 2023 9:01 a.m.

At 9:01 a.m., the Intercom will ask teachers and staff to go through the 'Drill'.

Students will stay in the classroom for this drill. This is a 'NON-Active' drill. The focus is knowing what to do and where to locate yourself in the classroom. This drill will not take long but please take this seriously without creating panic.

Re-emphasize Point I: *Get out of the Building.*

- a. It is important to simply get out of the building as quickly as possible.
- b. If there is a logjam getting out a door, go to the next closest door – the point being to not wait to get out and to find the next quickest exit and get out of the building.
- c. If cannot leave the building, then barricade and prepare to fight. THIS IS TODAY's FOCUS.

Major Points of this 'Drill':

- a. 'Barricade': Teachers will show students what items to quickly move in front of classroom door(s) to prevent, or at least disrupt, anyone from entering the room.
- b. 'Prepare to Fight': Students will be shown where they will locate in room once they have barricaded doors. (Students would spread throughout the room and locate behind desks/tables/etc. and away from sightline of someone outside the door(s)). Students will be told to 'arm' themselves with any objects that they can use to throw/distract any perpetrator that may penetrate the barricade.
- c. 'Get out of the room and out of the building': Students will be informed the goal is still to get out of the room and out of the building as they are able. If perpetrator has been distracted/disabled enough to get out of the room, do so quickly and then get out of the building at the nearest exit.
 - Once this is done, then 1st Period/1st Block will begin.

Iowa Statewide Assessment of Student Progress (ISASP) will be given at LMHS on Wednesday, April 26:

The Iowa Statewide Assessment of Student Progress (ISASP) will be given to students in grades 9, 10, and 11. This will take place on Wednesday, April 26, and will have a separate schedule for this testing day. This schedule will be made available the week of April 10. ISASP testing is required of all LMHS students in grades 9, 10, and 11. 12th grade students will not have classes on Wednesday, April 26. Students with IEP testing accommodations will be notified individually of their schedule for ISASP testing to be taken on April 17 (10th only), 19th, 21st, and 24th.

ATTENDANCE PHONE NUMBER:

Our Attendance Phone line is (319-447-3050). Parents are asked to use this number to call regarding any absences. If for an illness, parents are asked to call prior to 8:00 a.m. or as soon as you are able. For appointments, parents call the same phone line (319-447-3050) and leave a message for when the student is to be dismissed for the appointment. Students then pick up passes for the appointment in the Deans Office to show teachers when they need to leave. Students leaving for appointments must check out from the Deans Office and then check back into the Deans Office upon return. Thank you for your help when appointments are necessary during the school day.

THE TUTORING CENTER IN THE LEARNING CENTER IS OPEN DAILY

Students wanting/needing assistance with coursework may visit the Tutoring Center before school (8:15-8:45 a.m.) or during class periods/blocks during the school day. This can be drop-in or by appointment by contacting Mrs. Gettemy in the Tutoring Center.

3rd Quarter

Any 3rd Quarter 'INC' grades must have work completed by Wednesday, April 19, at 4:00 p.m.

12th Grade – LMHS Class of 2023

Important 12th Grade Planning Dates

4/26 ISASP for Grades 9, 10, 11. 12th grade does not have classes on this day.
5/8 Senior Recognition Night (7:00 p.m., LM Auditorium)
5/13 Senior Prom (8:00-10:30 p.m. LM Main Gym) (Grand March at 7:30 p.m., LM Auditorium)
5/17 Seniors' Last Day of School (1:00 p.m., Graduation Rehearsal, LM Main Gym)
5/28 Commencement (1:00 p.m., Alliant Energy Power House)

PLTW HONOR CORDS

Attention Seniors: Have you taken and passed three or more Project Lead the Way (PLTW) courses in engineering, computer science or biomedical science? You might qualify for a PLTW honor cord to wear at graduation. See Mr. Patterson in D131 or email him at cpatterson@linnmar.k12.ia.us for more information. Hurry, the deadline to order is April 14.

From the College and Career Center

College/Career Planning Checklists:

LMHS School Counselors have developed checklists for each grade level to help you focus your college and career planning process. Check out the list for your grade below:

12th Grade

Xello Webinar:

Xello is partnering with [CollegeWise](#) to offer a webinar to help students and families plan summer activities that can enhance their college applications. The webinar will be presented by college admission professionals and consultants who help students apply to college. Register at <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/xello-families-creative-summer-planning-tickets-515152463887>.

Need help filing the FAFSA? ICAN provides free FAFSA application assistance at their Hiawatha location or virtually. Check out www.icansucceed.org/apt to make an appointment.

Senior Transcript Requests

Transcript requests should be sent via Xello. [Follow the step-by-step directions HERE to complete this process](#). Common App accounts should also be connected to your account so all forms will be sent correctly to your colleges by following [THESE STEPS](#).

11th Grade

2023-2024 LMHS Program of Studies

College and Career Center Events:

We have a few events and opportunities for Career and College Planning over the next month. Please check out the activities coming up and plan to attend. Directions for registration/how to attend are included below.

- **ICAN Presentations, Wednesday, April 26th** - ICAN will be presenting 2 sessions to families virtually on Wednesday, April 26th. Check out the sessions below and choose the topics most relevant to you. Pre-registration is required to join the webinars on the 26th. ICAN is a nonprofit, educational organization that serves families across Iowa. They have an office located in the Kirkwood Linn Regional Center in Hiawatha. For more information about their services, check out www.icansucceed.org.
 - **Career and College Planning 5:30-6:30PM** - Both Sophomores and Junior students and families will benefit from this session that will cover career exploration, how to use career assessments, academic preparation, the admissions process, and understanding costs. Register for this presentation at https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_Ai582n3NR0O0_HpaUv3RBQ.

- **Understanding Financial Aid 6:30-7:30PM** - This session is best suited for juniors planning to attend college in the future. The session will cover information about the Free Application for Federal Student Aid, the scholarship process, and where to find help. Register for this presentation at https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_V8cEQ8bnTz2qv_AS1w0g4g.
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- **Fall Internships** - Sophomores and Juniors with interest in doing an internship in the fall (1st or 2nd quarter) are encouraged to apply through Workplace Learning Connection. Students usually need a block open for internships and can earn high school credit. Check out these opportunities at <https://www.kirkwood.edu/workplace-learning-connection/internships/>. Applications are due Thursday, April 13th at 4:00PM.

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9th Grade

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

Monday, April 17, 3:30 p.m. Topic: 'Preparation for ISASP' and Practice Test

Monday, May 8, 3:30 p.m.

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Activities

REACH Booklet

This link is for the LMHS REACH Activities Booklet. Not all activities are listed in this booklet, but almost all of them are in here.

<https://sites.google.com/linnmar.k12.ia.us/lmhsreach/home>

Athletics

478 LMHS students are out for Spring athletics this school year.

2023 Spring and Summer Athletic Camps and Clinics are now online to register/sign up for!

Attached is a List of camps and clinics with dates and times! Click on link below to sign up! They fill up fast!

[**2023 Linn-Mar Spring & Summer Camps**](#)

Fine Arts

Congratulation to Colton Center Jazz Ensemble for Placing 2nd in Class 4A at the State Jazz Championships! Members are: **Abbey Vezina** (alto sax), **Ryan Koffron** (alto sax), **Jace Whitham** (tenor sax), **Owen Schlesinger** (tenor sax), **Evan Shanley** (bari sax), **Matthias Marasch** (trumpet), **Makoto Carolin** (trumpet), **Kate Flugstad** (trumpet), **Sutra Iyer** (trumpet), **Sadie Crandall** (trumpet), **Lucas Rabe** (trombone), **Maddox Elliott** (trombone), **Dylan Ascher** (trombone), **Reid Post** (bass trombone), **Christian Maakestad** (guitar), **Tejas Gururaja** (piano/violin), **Emily Greiner** (bass), and **Zach Kendrick** (drumset)! **Tejas Gururaja** was named an **outstanding performer (violin)** at the State Jazz Championships!

Clubs and Organizations

Congratulations to Science Olympiad teams for placing at the State Competition on Saturday! The **Kinetic Claws** placed 4th, and the **Potential Paws** place 6th! **Congratulations to Individual place winners at Science Olympiad!** **Nithin John** and **Owen Soenen** (3rd Place, WiFi Lab); **Shafin Wasimi** and **Varun Pradeep** (2nd Place, WiFi Lab); **Sanya Oli** and **Rishitha Gadde** (3rd Place, Scrambler); **Devasena Manikandan** and **Tanvi Gopalam** (1st Place, Scrambler); **Diya Patel** and **Parker Hicks** (3rd Place Dynamic Planet); **Joey Banowitz** and **Kaiya Taylor** (1st Place, It's About Time); **Melissa Wang** and **Kushal Vanavasan** (2nd Place, Science in the News); **Kara Kueper** and **Morgan Kremer** (3rd Place, Disease Detectives); **Ava Russ** and **Parker Nicks** (2nd Place, Astronomy); **Ben Lindsay**, **Kaiya Taylor**, **Nithin John** (2nd Place, Codebusters); **Shafin Wasimi** and **Sanya Oli** (3rd Place, Chem Lab); **Tanvi Gopalam** and **Kara Kueper** (2nd Place, Environmental Chem); and **Nithin John** and **Ben Lindsay** (1st Place, Detector Building)!

Congratulations to FBLA (Future Business Leaders of America) members for placing at the State Leadership Competition! The LMHS FBLA Chapter was 1st in the state in **Fund-Raising for the March of Dimes! National Competition Qualifiers** (in Atlanta in June): **Matieis Mayes** and **Pranav Karthik** (3rd Place, Business Plan); **Matieis Mayes** and **Pranav Karthik** (4th Place, E-Business); **Alexys Ciha** (4th Place, Future Business Leader); **Ashna Karia** (2nd Place, Impromptu Speaking); **Bre Johnson** and **Ashna Karia** (2nd Place, Marketing); **Riya Anand**, **Krishna Modha**, **Ranvitha Muramreddy**, **Jace Whitman** (1st Place, Parliamentary Procedures); **Tanvi Gopalam** and **Devasena Manikandan** (2nd Place, Public Service Announcement); **Keerthana Balakrishnan** (3rd Place, Social Media Strategies)! **Non-National Qualifying State Placewinners:** **Keerthana Balakrishnan** (1st Place, Java Programming); **Adithya Suri** (1st Place, Python Programming); **Tanvi Gopalam** (3rd Place, Business Calculation); **Priyanka Onteru** (4th Place, Intro. to Information Technology); **Aleena Monsoor** (6th Place, Political Science); **Pranav Chepyala** (9th Place, Political Science, and 10th Place, Securities and Investments); **Matieis Mayes** (6th Period, Securities and Investments), **Gaven Ketcham** (7th Place, Supply Chain Management); **Aleena Mansoor** (7th Place, Impromptu Speaking); **Adithya Suri** (7th Place, Introduction to Business Presentation); **Jace Whitman** (7th Place, Job Interview); **Bre Johnson** and **Ashna Karia** (3rd Place, Local Chapter Business Report); **Tanvi Gopalam** (8th Place, Public Speaking); **Devasena Manikandan** (7th Place, Public Speaking); **Kheshave Ramnarayanan**, **Charles Rubin**, **Samraat Zagade** (7th Place, Social Media Strategies)!

Other Information

LM Foundation Dine Out for Schools on April 20

Dine Out For Our Schools is back again! Thursday, April 20, join the Foundation in supporting the district by "dining out" at one of our participating restaurants. Be sure to mention "Dine Out" so a percentage of your ticket is donated to the Foundation in support of Linn-Mar schools! [**Dine Out for Schools Restaurant Listing for April 20**](#)

LM Foundation Lion Games the week of July 30

Have you heard about Lion Games yet? This new event is hosted by the Linn-Mar School Foundation and is a week-long sports and arts extravaganza. Lions Games will kick off on Sunday, July 30 at Volley's and the closing ceremonies will be held on Saturday, August 5th. Gather a team of 6 or more (18+) to participate in sand volleyball, dodgeball, basketball shootout, 3 on 3 soccer, trivia, talent (with a twist), track and field, and more!

This fundraising event offers fun, community, and competition! You don't want to miss your chance to participate. We are only taking 32 teams for the event this year with the hopes of expanding years to come. [**Click here**](#) to learn more!

Attendance for this week (Thursday-Thursday): **94.1 %**

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