



# Linn-Mar High School Updates and Announcements For Students and Parents December 16, 2022



## Calendar

**December 19 – January 7, 2023**

**Weeks 18 and 19**

**Thank You to 2022 and Welcome to 2023**

<b>Monday,</b>	<b>December 19</b>	<b>Regular Daily Schedule (9:00 – 4:00 p.m.)</b>
	<b>3:30 p.m.</b>	<b>9<sup>th</sup> Grade Connection</b>
	4:30 p.m.	*V Girls Wrestling Tourney @ Iowa City Liberty
	6:00 p.m.	9 <sup>th</sup> Boys (Red/Black) Basketball vs. Dub. Hempstead (LM Main Gym)
<b>Tuesday,</b>	<b>December 20</b>	<b>Regular Daily Schedule (9:00 – 4:00 p.m.)</b>
	2:30 p.m.	*V Girls/Boys Bowling @ Dubuque Hempstead (Cherry Lanes)
	<b>3:25 p.m.</b>	<b>College Student Panel (College-Career Center)</b>
	<b>3:30 p.m.</b>	<b>RTI</b>
	4:30 p.m.	*JV2/JV1/V Girls Basketball @ Dubuque Senior
	6:00 p.m.	10 <sup>th</sup> /V Boys Basketball vs. Dubuque Senior (LM Main Gym)
<b>Wednesday,</b>	<b>December 21</b>	<b>Regular Daily Schedule (9:00 – 4:00 p.m.)</b>
	<b>3:30 p.m.</b>	<b>RTI</b>
	4:00 p.m.	Key Club movie <i>Polar Express</i> (Presentation-Lecture Hall)
<b>Thursday,</b>	<b>December 22</b>	<b>Regular Daily Schedule (9:00 – 4:00 p.m.)</b>
	<b>3:30 p.m.</b>	<b>RTI</b>
<b>Friday,</b>	<b>December 23</b>	<b>Holiday Break – No Classes</b>
<b>Monday,</b>	<b>December 26 – January 1, 2023</b>	<b>Holiday Break – No Classes</b>
<b>Monday,</b>	<b>January 2, 2023</b>	<b>Holiday Break – No Classes</b>
<b>Tuesday,</b>	<b>January 3</b>	<b>Regular Daily Schedule (9:00 – 4:00 p.m.)</b>
	<b>3:30 p.m.</b>	<b>RTI</b>
	4:00 p.m.	*9 <sup>th</sup> Boys (Black) Basketball @ Cedar Falls (Peet Jr. High)
	4:15 p.m.	*9 <sup>th</sup> Boys (Red) Basketball @ Cedar Falls (Holmes Jr. High)
	6:00 p.m.	JV1/V Girls Basketball vs. Waterloo West (LM Main Gym)
		*10 <sup>th</sup> /V Boys Basketball @ Waterloo West
<b>Wednesday,</b>	<b>January 4</b>	<b>Regular Daily Schedule (9:00 – 4:00 p.m.)</b>
	<b>3:30 p.m.</b>	<b>RTI</b>
	7:00 p.m.	JV/V Pom Preview Performance (LM Main Gym)
<b>Thursday,</b>	<b>January 5</b>	<b>Regular Daily Schedule (9:00 – 4:00 p.m.)</b>
	<b>3:30 p.m.</b>	<b>RTI</b>
	6:00 p.m.	9 <sup>th</sup> Boys (Red/Black) Basketball vs. Ced. Falls (Holmes/Peet) (Aux. Gym)
	6:15 p.m.	JV/V Boys Wrestling vs. Iowa City High (LM Main Gym)
<b>Friday,</b>	<b>January 6</b>	<b>Regular Daily Schedule (9:00 – 4:00 p.m.)</b>
	3:15 p.m.	*V Girls/Boys Bowling @ Iowa City High (Colonial Lanes)
	<b>3:30 p.m.</b>	<b>RTI</b>
	6:00 p.m.	*JV2 Girls Basketball @ Cedar Falls (North Gym)
		*JV1/V Girls Basketball @ Cedar Falls
		10 <sup>th</sup> /V Boys Basketball vs. Cedar Falls (LM Main Gym)

## Saturday, January 7

All Day	JV/V Pom Regional @ Chicago
All Day	NEIBA Jazz Band Contest @ CR Kennedy
All Day	NEISTA Honor Orchestra @ Dubuque Hempstead
All Day	Show Choirs @ Ankeny Centennial
9:00 a.m.	V Boys Wrestling LM Duals (LM Main Gym)
10:00 a.m.	V Girls Wrestling Tourney @ Anamosa
12:00 p.m.	V Boys Swimming LM Invite (LM Aquatic Center)
1:00 p.m.	JV Boys Basketball @ CR Washington

### \*Notes

12/19	V Girls Wrestling dismissed at 2:10 p.m.
12/20	V Girls/Boys Bowling dismissed at 12:25 p.m.
	JV2 Girls Basketball dismissed at 2:10 p.m.
	JV1/V Girls Basketball dismissed at 3:40 p.m.
1/3/23	9 <sup>th</sup> Boys (Black/Red) Basketball dismissed at 1:55 p.m.
	10 <sup>th</sup> /V Boys Basketball dismissed at 3:50 p.m.
1/6	V Girls/Boys Bowling dismissed at 1:40 p.m.
	JV2 Girls Basketball dismissed at 3:50 p.m.

### Future

1/11	Semester Exams (Periods 1-4, Blocks 1-2)
1/12	Semester Exams (Periods 5-6, Block 3)
1/13	Semester Exams (Periods 7-8, Block 4)
1/16	Professional Development Day – No Classes
1/17	Teacher Collaboration Day – No Classes
1/18	First Day of 2 <sup>nd</sup> Semester/3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter

## 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](mailto:janessa.carr@linnmar.k12.ia.us) (319) 892-4884  
**Jessica Deahl:** [jdeahl@linnmar.k12.ia.us](mailto:jdeahl@linnmar.k12.ia.us) (319) 730-3559  
**Kevin McCauley:** [kmccauley@linnmar.k12.ia.us](mailto: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.

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter

### District Emergency Communication Test on Monday and Thursday of Next Week

Linn-Mar Community School District is conducting a test with the district's emergency communication software. The district will send a test email and text to parents and staff using the emergency communication system at **12:30 p.m. on Monday, December 19, 2022.**

If you do not receive this email or text, please update your contact information in PowerSchool. If you need assistance, please call your buildings secretary as soon as possible.

We will send out a **second test on Thursday, December 22, at 12:30 p.m.** to ensure contact information has been updated/added and all parents and staff are able to receive emergency communication messages such as winter weather delays/closures, or in case of emergencies.

**Click here** for more information and instructions.

### LMHS Semester Exam-RTI Schedule for January 11-13, 2023

Below is the link for the Semester Exam-RTI Schedule for January 11-13, 2023. More information will be given regarding Semester Exams-RTI on these days in the coming weeks. A weather contingency schedule also exists. 9<sup>th</sup> Grade students will

also be given expectations, protocols, and instructions regarding Semester Exam-RTI days (January 11-13, 2023) during the December 19 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Connection session.

#### **LMHS Semester Exam – RTI Schedule for January 11-13, 2023**

#### **LMHS Semester Exam-RTI Weather Contingency Schedule for January 11-13, 2023**

The link below is for weather contingencies should they occur during Semester Exams-RTI on January 11-13, 2023. The main purpose for including this here is so that you know such contingencies exist. If you want to spend time looking at these feel free to do so. Please know that should any weather delays or cancellations occur; we will be sending emails regarding the current contingency plan to student email accounts and to parents. Also, any weather delay on January 12 or 13, will have busses departing time at 4:05 p.m. (If no weather delays, busses are scheduled to depart at 12:20 p.m. on January 12 and 13).

#### **LMHS Semester Exam-RTI Weather Contingency Schedule for January 11-13, 2023**

#### **Current Calendar for Building-Wide Celebrations/Recognitions/Drives/Awareness Initiatives:**

**February 27 – March 3, 2023**

**Respect Week**

**Sponsoring Group: Linn-Mar Buddies**

#### **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. Also, any student interested in becoming a student tutor may see Mrs. Gettemy or Mrs. Schumacher in the Learning Center.

#### **2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Academic Planning Dates and Deadlines**

- 1/11 Semester Exam Schedule (Periods 1,2,3,4; Blocks 1,2)
- 1/12 Semester Exam Schedule (Periods 5, 6; Block 3)
- 1/13 Semester Exam Schedule (Periods 7, 8; Block 4)

## **12<sup>th</sup> Grade – LMHS Class of 2023**

#### **Graduation Cap/Gown/Tassel, and Victory Sole Ordering Information:**

Ordering information for **Graduation Cap/Gown/Tassel, and Victory Stole** for graduating seniors can be picked up in the School Counseling Office.

#### **Important 12<sup>th</sup> Grade Planning Dates**

- 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)

#### **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:

#### **12<sup>th</sup> Grade**

College Admission Counselor visits to LMHS have begun. If you are interested in what schools will be represented this year, check out the school counseling website at

<https://sites.google.com/a/linnmar.k12.ia.us/linn-mar-high-school-counseling/career>.

**Linn-Mar Foundation Scholarships** are now open. Students can go online to apply at

<https://www.linnmarfoundation.org/lmfscholarships/>. Applications are due Friday, January 13<sup>th</sup>. Just a note: We are aware that the website has experienced some slow downs. Please be patient as there are higher amounts of traffic on the website right now.

**You can now register for WINTER & SPRING Kirkwood classes.** You can find a [list of Kirkwood Courses Linn-Mar offers](#)

**HERE.** For directions on how to register, [check out this flyer](#).

**Spring term** course **registration is open now until January 3<sup>rd</sup>**. Check with your school counselor BEFORE winter break about taking spring courses!

Need help filing the FAFSA? ICAN provides free FAFSA application assistance at their Hiawatha location or virtually. Check out [www.icansucceed.org/apt](http://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](#).

### **College Student Panel**

School Counselors will be hosting Linn-Mar alumni to talk about their college experience on Tuesday, December 20<sup>th</sup> from 3:25-4:00 (during RTI) in the Little Theater. Come hear from students from Kirkwood, University of Iowa, Iowa State, West Point, and Bowdoin.

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Applications for SUMMER Internships through Workplace Learning Connection are now open through February 10<sup>th</sup> at noon. Students can learn more about this opportunity at [www.kirkwood.edu/wlc/internships](http://www.kirkwood.edu/wlc/internships).

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## **9<sup>th</sup> Grade**

### **Future 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Connection Dates (3:30-4:00 p.m.)**

**Monday, December 19, 3:30 p.m.** (Topics: Semester Exam Planning-Expectations and 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Schedule-Classrooms)

Monday, January 30, 3:30 p.m.

Monday, February 6, 3:30 p.m.

Monday, March 6, 3:30 p.m.

Monday, April 17, 3:30 p.m.

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**

#### **A Message as we begin the Winter Sports Season:**

#### **SPORTSMANSHIP**

Linn-Mar High School students, parents, and spectators are all expected to exemplify the highest level of sportsmanship at athletic events. Chanting or taunting opponents, doing anything to incite opponents or that does not display appropriate sportsmanship is unacceptable at a high school athletic contest. Your efforts toward sportsmanship are greatly appreciated.

***DO YOUR PART TO SUPPORT LINN-MAR TEAMS LOUDLY, ENTHUSIASTICALLY, AND WITH THE HIGHEST DEGREE OF SPORTSMANSHIP!***

**Congratulations to Tate Naaktgeboren for winning his 100<sup>th</sup> match at last night's Varsity Wrestling meet!**

**Congratulations to Zoe Kennedy, Varsity Girls Basketball, for being named the KCRG-TV9 'Athlete of the Week'!**

**Congratulations to the LM Varsity Poms for being State Champions in Pom (Class XIV) and Jazz (Class VIII) at the ISDTA Competition! MacLynn Hannan was 7<sup>th</sup> in Solo (Class XII) and Camryn Heying was 8<sup>th</sup> in Solo (Class XII)! Our LM Varsity Pom members: Grace Dewitt, Emma Giese, Reina Gilbertson, Larkin Hamilton, Maclynn Hannan, Katy Hand, Camryn Heying, Peyton Kensinger, Lauren Lensch, Sophia McDonald, Emmerson Middlekauff, Addison Milam, Bennett Papendick, Natalie Severson, Devyn Shock, Celia Smith, Chloe Smith, Lauren Weber, Faith Winfield, and Sophia Yerke!**

### **Clubs and Organizations**

#### **A League of Their Own (Team 10107) Robotics Team Food Drive for the LMHS PRIDE Food Pantry**

One of our LMHS Robotics teams, *A League of Their Own* (Team 10107), is sponsoring a food drive from November 16 – December 22. Items from the food drive will be given to the Linn-Mar High School PRIDE Food Pantry. (LMHS does have a food pantry located within our building called the LMHS PRIDE Food Pantry). Labeled boxes will be set up in The Colton Center, Pride Rock Commons, South Commons, West/Theatre Commons, and Four Corners areas for collection of non-perishable food items.

## **Other Information**

The LMHS Wildcat Closet, which offers clothing and other goods to students as needed, received a recent donation from State Farm Insurance. Our district Family Resources Office and Linn-Mar High School would like to thank State Farm for this donation to the Wildcat Closet!

Attendance for the week (Thursday - Thursday): **92.6 % (this week also includes November 18, 21, and 22)**

The next weekly *LMHS Updates and Announcements for Students and Parents* for the 2022-23 school year will be sent on **Friday, January 6.**