



2023-24 School Year

# Linn-Mar High School Updates and Announcements For Students and Parents April 19, 2024



## Calendar

April 22 – April 27, 2024

...ISASP Week...

Monday, April 22

Regular Daily Schedule (9:00 – 4:00 p.m.)

- 10:00 a.m. \*V Girls Golf @ Peosta (Thunder Hills G.C.)
- 3:15 p.m. \*JV Girls Golf @ Marion (Hunters Ridge G.C.)
- 3:30 p.m. RTI
- 4:15 p.m. Ground-breaking for Performance Venue (construction site)
- 4:30 p.m. \*9-10/JV Boys Track and Field @ CR Prairie
- \*JV Girls Tennis @ Iowa City West
- \*JV Boys Tennis vs. Iowa City West (Oak Ridge Complex)
- \*9-10/JV Girls Track and Field @ CR (Kingston Stadium)
- 5:30 p.m. Boys Baseball Camp (Oak Ridge Complex)
- 5:45 p.m. \*JV2 Boys (Black) Soccer @ Iowa City West

Tuesday, April 23

ISASP Schedule (9:00 – 4:00 p.m.)

- 9:00 a.m. ISASP Prep
- 9:15 a.m. ISASP Language and Writing Exam
- 10:45 a.m. ISASP Reading Exam
- 11:00 a.m. \*V Girls Golf @ Marion (Hunters Ridge G.C.)
- 12:00 p.m. Lunch/Break
- 1:00 p.m. Start of 1<sup>st</sup> Period/1<sup>st</sup> Block
- 4:00 p.m. \*V Girls Tennis vs. Western Dubuque (Oak Ridge Complex)
- \*V Boys Tennis @ Western Dubuque (Epworth)
- 4:30 p.m. \*V Girls Track and Field @ Xavier
- 5:15 p.m. \*JV1/V Boys Soccer @ Western Dubuque (Epworth)
- 5:30 p.m. Boys Baseball Camp (Oak Ridge Complex)
- 5:45 p.m. JV1/V Girls Soccer vs. Western Dubuque (LM Stadium)
- 6:00 p.m. \*JV2 Girls/JV2 Boys (Black) Soccer @ Iowa City High

Wednesday, April 24

ISASP Schedule (9:00 – 4:00 p.m.)

- 9:00 a.m. ISASP Prep
- 9:15 a.m. ISASP Science Exam (10<sup>th</sup> Grade-only)
- 10:45 a.m. ISASP Math Exam
- 12:00 p.m. Lunch/Break
- 1:00 p.m. Start of 5<sup>th</sup> Period/3<sup>rd</sup> Block
- 3:15 p.m. \*JV Girls Golf CRANDIC @ CR (Twin Pines G.C.)
- 4:15 p.m. \*JV2 Girls Tennis vs. Iowa City High (Oak Ridge Complex)
- \*JV2 Boys (Red) Soccer vs. Marion (Armstrong Field)
- 4:30 p.m. \*JV1 Boys Tennis @ CR Jefferson (CR Jeff. Complex)
- \*JV2 Boys Tennis @ CR Jefferson (Veterans Memorial Courts)
- 5:00 p.m. Boys Baseball Camp (Oak Ridge Complex)
- 5:45 p.m. JV2 Girls Soccer vs. CR Kennedy (Armstrong Field)

Thursday, April 25

Regular Daily Schedule (9:00 – 4:00 p.m.)

- 9:01 a.m. \*CONDITIONS FOR LEARNING SURVEY
- All Day \*V Girls/Boys Track and Field Drake Relays @ Des Moines
- 3:15 p.m. \*V Girls Golf @ Marion (Hunters Ridge G.C.)
- 3:30 p.m. RTI
- 4:00 p.m. \*V Girls Tennis @ Dubuque Wahlert
- \*V Boys Tennis vs. Dubuque Wahlert (Oak Ridge Complex)
- 4:30 p.m. \*LMHS Parent Conferences (until 7:30 p.m.)
- 5:45 p.m. JV1/V Boys Soccer vs. CR Washington (LM Stadium)

JV1/V Girls Soccer @ CR Washington (Kingston Stadium)  
 7:00 p.m. Spring Musical *Newsies* (LM Auditorium)

**Friday, April 26 Teacher Comp Day – No Classes**

All Day V Girls/Boys Track and Field Drake Relays @ Des Moines  
 2:00 p.m. V Boys Tennis vs. WDM Valley (Oak Ridge Complex)  
 4:30 p.m. JV2 Girls Tennis vs. CR Jefferson (Oak Ridge Complex)  
 5:45 p.m. JV1/V Girls Soccer vs. Bettendorf (LM Stadium)  
 7:00 p.m. Spring Musical *Newsies* (LM Auditorium)

**Saturday, April 27**

All Day V Girls/Boys Track and Field Drake Relays @ Des Moines  
 7:00 p.m. Spring Musical *Newsies* (LM Auditorium)

**Notes**

4/22 V Girls Golf departing prior to 9:00 a.m.

JV Girls Golf dismissed at 1:45 p.m.

9-10/JV Boys Track and Field dismissed at 2:10 p.m.

JV Girls Tennis dismissed at 2:55 p.m.

JV Boys Tennis dismissed at 3:25 p.m.

9-10/JV Girls Track and Field dismissed at 2:30 p.m.

JV2 Boys (Black) Soccer dismissed at 3:40 p.m.

4/23 **ISASP: 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> grade students will report to ISASP testing locations by 9:00 a.m. 12<sup>th</sup> grade students do not report until classes begin at 1:00 p.m.**

V Girls Golf departing prior to 9:00 a.m.

V Girls Tennis dismissed at 3:00 p.m.

V Boys Tennis dismissed at 1:40 p.m.

V Girls Track and Field dismissed at 2:30 p.m.

JV1/V Boys Soccer dismissed at 2:40 p.m.

JV2 Girls Soccer dismissed at 3:40 p.m.

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JV Girls Golf dismissed at 1:40 p.m.

JV2 Girls Tennis dismissed at 3:10 p.m.

JV2 Boys (Red) Soccer dismissed at 3:30 p.m.

JV1 Boys Tennis dismissed at 3:25 p.m.

JV2 Boys Tennis dismissed at 3:25 p.m.

4/25 **CONDITIONS FOR LEARNING SURVEY: All LMHS students will be taking the Conditions for Learning Survey at 9:01 a.m. during 1<sup>st</sup> Period/1<sup>st</sup> Block classes. Teachers of any students exempted from taking the survey have received this communication.**

V Girls/Boys Track and Field departing prior to 9:00 a.m.

V Girls Golf dismissed at 1:45 p.m.

V Girls Tennis dismissed at 2:00 p.m.

V Boys Tennis dismissed at 3:00 p.m.

**Future**

5/6 Advanced Placement (AP) Exams begin

9<sup>th</sup> Grade Connection (3:30 p.m.)

Senior Recognition Night (7:00 p.m., LM Auditorium)

5/11 Senior Prom (8:00 p.m., Olympic (CR))

5/22 Seniors Last Class Day (1:00 p.m., Graduation Rehearsal, LM Main Gym)

5/26 Commencement (1:00 p.m., Alliant Energy Powerhouse, CR)

5/28 Semester Exams (Blocks 1-2, Periods 1-4)

5/29 Semester Exams (Block 3, Periods 5-6)

5/30 Semester Exams (Block 4, Periods 7-8) (District Two-Hour Early Dismissal)

5/31 Teacher Workday and Checkout

**Student Assistance Office**

**Student Assistance Specialists 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:

Joyce Booth-Baisten: [joyce.booth@linnmar.k12.ia.us](mailto:joyce.booth@linnmar.k12.ia.us) (319) 447-4884

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. 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.** A QR code has been posted around LMHS that will also take you directly to this link. 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**

## **4<sup>th</sup> Quarter**

### **LMHS Parent Conferences on Thursday, April 25**

LMHS 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter Parent Conferences will be held from 4:30-7:30 p.m. on Thursday, April 25. Teachers are currently making requests for specific conferences through 12:30 p.m. on April 25. **Remaining conference slots for each teacher will be open on Monday, April 22, for parents to sign up.** An email will be sent to all parents on April 22 with conference sign up information.

### **Fire Alarm and Tornado Warning Evacuation Both on April 16**

LMHS had a Fire Alarm caused by a defective smoke detector on April 16. We also had students and staff move to shelter locations for seventeen minutes during the Tornado Warning in the afternoon of April 16. Students who ride the bus after school were also moved to shelter locations for approximately forty-five minutes after school on April 16. Thank you to students and staff for the cooperation exhibited during these emergency situations.

### **Conditions for Learning Survey will now be at 9:01 a.m. on Thursday, April 25**

Due to weather-related sheltering on April 16, all LMHS students will now take the state-required *Conditions for Learning Survey* at 9:01 a.m. on Thursday, April 25, during 1<sup>st</sup> Period/1<sup>st</sup> Block classes. Again, the Conditions for Learning Survey may be taken on either school-issued computers or mobile devices.

### **Iowa Statewide Assessment of Student Progress (ISASP)**

The Iowa Statewide Assessment of Student Progress (ISASP) will be administered to LMHS students in grades 9-11, during the mornings of **Tuesday, April 23, and Wednesday, April 24.** These are state-required exams. The schedule for these days is listed below. **9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, and 11<sup>th</sup> grade students will take exams in Language and Writing, Reading, and Math. Additionally, 10<sup>th</sup> grade students will also take a Science exam. School-issued computers must be used for the ISASP.**

The ISASP schedule has been created with input from students and staff to help ensure students can perform at their best on each exam. Each exam period is scheduled for seventy-five (75) minutes; however, students may take as much time as needed to complete an exam. The schedule also allows for a break after the exams each day for lunch (much like our semester exam schedule does) with classes beginning at 1:00 p.m. After the first day of testing (April 23), Periods 1-4/Blocks 1-2 will be held. On the second day of testing (April 24), Periods 5-8/Blocks 3-4 will be held. After the second day of testing, Grades 9 and 11 will not be required to report until just before the 10:45 a.m. Math exam. Students in grades 9, 11, and 12 riding the bus or being

dropped off prior to 10:45 a.m. on this day will report to the LM Main Gym until their test at 10:45 a.m. or lunch begins at 12:00 p.m.

12<sup>th</sup> grade students will not need to report to school until their class times during each afternoon.

### **Iowa Statewide Assessment of Student Progress (ISASP) Testing at LMHS for April 22 and 23, 2024**

#### **Day 1 (Tuesday, April 23)**

9:00 – 9:15 a.m.	Prep
<b>9:15 – 10:30 a.m.</b>	<b>Writing Exam</b>
10:30 – 10:45 a.m.	Break/Snacks
<b>10:45 – 12:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Reading Exam</b>
12:00 – 12:55 p.m.	Break/Lunch
1:00 – 1:45 p.m.	Period 1/Block 1
1:50 – 2:30 p.m.	Period 2/Block 1
2:35 – 3:15 p.m.	Period 3/Block 2
3:20 – 4:00 p.m.	Period 4/Block 2

#### **Day 2 (Wednesday, April 24)**

9:00 – 9:15 a.m.	Prep
<b>9:15 – 10:30 a.m.</b>	<b>Science Ex. (10<sup>th</sup>)</b>
10:30 – 10:45 a.m.	Break/Snacks
<b>10:45 – 12:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Math Exam</b>
12:00 – 12:55 p.m.	Break/Lunch
1:00 – 1:45 p.m.	Period 5/Block 3
1:50 – 2:30 p.m.	Period 6/Block 3
2:35 – 3:15 p.m.	Period 7/Block 4
3:20 – 4:00 p.m.	Period 8/Block 4

Grades 9-11 take Writing, Reading, and Math Exams. Grade 10 takes additional Science Exam.

Grade 12 does not report until 1:00 p.m. each day (AP study sessions may be held for Seniors from 9:00-10:30 a.m. on April 24 at teacher discretion).

Two-Day Testing Schedule (75 minutes schedule time for each exam).

Will schedule Testing with 1<sup>st</sup> Block/1<sup>st</sup> Period Teachers (or teacher student has or has had before).

Students receiving Accommodations will take exams with Directed Studies or Roster Teachers.

#### **ISASP Cell Phone/Computer/Smart Watch Policy:**

Phones/smart watches/computers/headphones/car buds (other than for the actual test taking) are not out/used for entire 75-minute exam period, even if everyone is done with an exam. A free reading book is allowed.

### **12<sup>th</sup> Grade – LMHS Class of 2024**

#### **LMHS Senior Prom Information**

This year's LMHS Senior prom will be held on Saturday, May 11. Grand March will take place in the Linn-Mar Auditorium starting at 4:00 p.m. Auditorium seating will cost \$5, paid at the door. The dance will take place at the Olympic Southside Theater from 8:00 -10:00 p.m.. Seniors bringing an under classman (10<sup>th</sup> or 11<sup>th</sup> grader) or an outside guest must fill out a guest form in the School Counseling Office. Prom tickets cost \$25, and will go on sale starting Wednesday, May 1. Prom tickets must be purchased before Prom night. **All fines/tickets/fees must be paid before you can purchase a Prom ticket.** [More information can be found on our website.](#)

#### **How to Request a Transcript for College Applications**

Seniors needing to request a transcript for a college should do so through Xello. [See this video](#) for details on how to add a school and request a transcript. Students who are applying via Common App must connect their Common App account to Xello - see this [YouTube video](#) for details.

#### **IMPORTANT LMHS Class of 2024 Planning Dates**

5/6	Senior Recognition Night (7:00 p.m., LMHS Auditorium)
5/11	Senior Prom (8:00 – 10:30 p.m., Olympic Southside Theater, CR)
5/22	Seniors Last Class Day (Graduation Rehearsal, 1:00 p.m.)
5/26	Commencement (1:00 p.m., Alliant Energy Powerhouse)

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

#### **Proof of Immunization for Meningococcal**

All Iowa students 16 years and older must meet the following immunization requirement prior to the first day of 12<sup>th</sup> grade:

- 1 dose Meningococcal (A,C,W,Y) vaccine received after age 16 years.

Please provide proof of immunization to the health office. A religious exemption is also acceptable.

### **Kirkwood Academy Registration Information**

Sophomores and juniors can now register for Kirkwood Academies for the 2024-25 school year. To see a full list of available academies and how to register, go to <https://bit.ly/kccacademies>. Directions for registration are on slide 15.

Upcoming visits- Students can sign up to meet with college admissions counselors at Linn-Mar at <https://sites.google.com/a/linnmar.k12.ia.us/linn-mar-high-school-counseling/career>.

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

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

May 6

### **Kirkwood C.C. Driver Education Course Sessions**

The following link [www.kirkwood.edu/DriversEducation](http://www.kirkwood.edu/DriversEducation) provides information regarding driver education courses offered through Kirkwood Community College. Summer sessions have not yet been set.

## **Activities**

### **Athletics:**

**Congratulations** to the following LMHS student-athletes who signed **National Letters of Intent** this past Wednesday! Signees were: **Jaxon Kramer** (Baseball, Des Moines Area Community College), **Brayden Mohwinkle** (LaCrosse, Cornell College), **Nick Carney** (Tennis, Loras College), **Hunter Reynolds** (Track and Field, Augustana College), **Frances Lausen** (Rugby, University of Iowa), **Lexi Sennett** (Cheer, Illinois College), **Maddox Elliott** (Swimming, Iowa Central Community College), **Maia Denge-Hagen** (Track and Field, Iowa State University), **Hayden Wildman** (Baseball, Rockford University), and **Tessa Casebolt** (Volleyball, Coe College)!

### **Clubs and Organizations**

### **LMHS Science Olympiad Teams Place at State Competition!**

To the two LMHS Science Olympiad teams for placing 5<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> in the State Competition! Gold medal winners were **Parker Nicks** and **Sutra Iyer** in Chem Lab, **Tanvi Gopalam** and **Devasena Manikandan** in Scrambler Car (3<sup>rd</sup> year in a row!), and **Bassil Elshiekh** and **Pranava Pradeep** in Fermi Questions!

## **Other Information**

**Attendance this week (Thursday-Thursday) 95.2 %**

The next edition of the *Updates for Students and Parents* will be sent to all LMHS students and parents on **April 19, 2024**.