

Linn-Mar Middle Schools Voluntary Instruction

May 25-29

8th Grade

8th Grade Announcements:

- Please see the next two slides for more information about the virtual LMHS freshman orientation (follow-up) and the 8th grade career fair!
- Please see the Linn-Mar website for information regarding the district's Plan for Retrieving Student Items

Virtual LMHS Freshman Orientation Follow-up Information

Please click on the links below to access information about the freshman orientation.

- [Power Point Presentation](#)
- [Recording of the Presentation](#) (Recorded on Friday, May 15)

If you have any additional questions about high school, please email your 8th grade or high school counselor.

8th Grade Counselors

Mrs. Gorman (Excelsior)
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Mrs. Wanda (Oak Ridge)
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High School Counselors

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Mrs. Deahl
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Virtual Career Fair

Please check your O365 Student Email for more details!

In addition to the Financial Literacy Fair, all 8th grade students were going to participate in a career fair at Oak Ridge or Excelsior this month. Now it is offered virtually.

- Please use this [link](#) and look for the middle school column to access the ***College/Career Readiness Learning Activities*** and ***Career Pathway Speaker Videos*** at the bottom section of the page.
- Highly recommended links:
 - [Career Pathway Survey](#) (To take ***before*** the virtual career fair)
 - [Questionnaire](#) (To take ***after*** the virtual career fair)

If you have any questions, please contact your 8th grade counselor:

Mrs. Gorman egorman@linnmar.k12.ia.us

Mrs. Wanda ywanda@linnmar.k12.ia.us

Math- *Pre Algebra B*

Algebra and Geometry students, please check with your teacher

- **Students should follow lessons in order, starting with #1** [google classrooms](#)
- **Standard:**
 - 8.EE.B Graph linear equations - Chapter 8
 - 8.F.A.3 Identify equations in slope-intercept form - Chapter 8
 - 8.EE.C.8 Solving Systems of Linear Equations - Chapter 7
 - 8.EE.C.7 Solve linear equations - Chapter 7
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- **New Concepts: Slope Intercept Form - Writing equations into slope intercept form to begin graphing**

Language Arts

Language Arts Students,

This week you will focus your attention on writing a 6-Word Memoir (RI8.2). Please email your teacher with questions.

Excelsior Google Classrooms:

[Mrs. Mullnix](#)

[Mrs. Redington](#)

[Mrs. Gaffney](#)

Oak Ridge Google Classrooms:

[Ms. Dinger](#)

[Mrs. Sylvester](#)

TAG Language Arts

Hi TAG Students!

This week we will continue our focus on Part 2 of “The Great Realization” where the objective is to write your own bedtime story in response to the YouTube video shared by your teacher.

Please see [Google Classroom](#) for this week’s assignments.

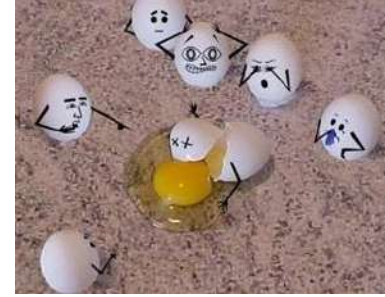
Questions? We would love to help you! Email us!

marikaye.travis@linnmar.k12.ia.us (Excelsior)

JBrase@linnmar.k12.ia.us (Oak Ridge)

Science

This week in your [GOOGLE CLASSROOM](#)



Concepts: Inertia, Forces, Balanced forces, Unbalanced forces, Net force, Newton's laws of motion

Objectives:

- Students will be able to demonstrate their understanding of the inertia of everyday objects.
- Students will identify the relationship between forces acting on an object and that object's motion

Standard: MS-PS2-2. Plan an investigation to provide evidence that the change in an object's motion depends on the sum of the forces on the object and the mass of the object

Standard: MS-PS2-1. Apply Newton's Third Law to design a solution to a problem involving the motion of two colliding objects

Social Studies

This week's topic: Reconstruction

Please email you teacher with any questions!

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Justin Hajek: jhakek@linnmar.k12.ia.us

Steve Fish: Sfish@linnmar.k12.ia.us

Hannah Byrkeland: hannah.byrkeland@linnmar.k12.ia.us

Oak Ridge:

See [Google Classroom](#)

Excelsior:

- **Byrkeland:** [Google Classroom](#)
(code: 5Biwfsm)
- **Fish:** [Google Classroom](#)
(code: 7daab7b)
- **Hajek:** [Google Classroom](#)
(code: zuwdsdb)

PE

2020 Spring Fitness Testing at Home

Healthy Fitness Zone

Excelsior: Mr. Lovell, tlovell@linnmar.k12.ia.us [FITNESS TESTING LINK FOR MR. LOVELL](#)

Oak Ridge: ***Please see your teacher's Google Classroom for the Fitness Testing Document***

Mr. Matson, mmatson@linnmar.k12.ia.us Mrs. Ray, aray@linnmar.k12.ia.us

****PLEASE REMEMBER TO CLEAN OUT YOUR PE LOCKER AND TURN IN YOUR LOCK WHEN IT IS YOUR TURN TO PICK UP YOUR MATERIALS ON JUNE 1, 2, OR 3!**

Health

8th Grade Health-

This week will be STD/STIs.

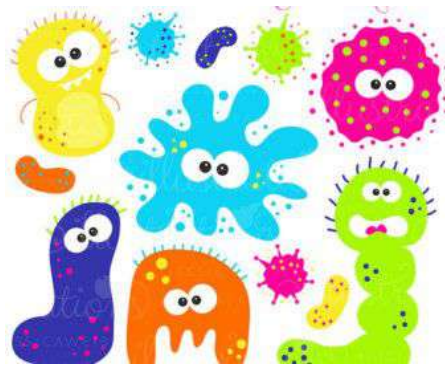
Please see your teacher's [Google Classroom](#) for instructions.

If you have questions, we are always available!

akloft@linnmar.k12.ia.us

mmatson@linnmar.k12.ia.us

aray@linnmar.k12.ia.us



Reading

Please see [Google Classroom](#).

This week's activities include: Power-Up Minutes and some fun review material of content from this year! Both vocab and To Kill a Mockingbird content included. Finish strong amazing 8th graders! YOU GOT THIS!

If you have questions, email your Reading teacher:

ksleezer@linnmar.k12.ia.us (Excelsior)

kiley.haines@linnmar.k12.ia.us (Oakridge)

Intro to French

French I students, please check with your teacher

Bonjour!!

- For your assignments this week please see our [Intro to French Google Classroom](#). All assignments are located under the “classwork” tab and will be accessible on Monday mornings for the new week.
- There will be 3 short assignments: a story to read and answer short questions about, a Quizlet set, and a Kahoot! Challenge to complete.
- Please email jhicks@linnmar.k12.ia.us with any questions you may have!

Intro to Spanish

Spanish I students, please check with your teacher

¡Hola chicos!

-For your assignments this week, please see your Intro to Spanish class section in [Google Classroom](#)

-This week we have posted 3 new vocab topics for you to start learning! These are topics you will cover in more depth and then be quizzed on during the 1st weeks of Spanish 1 next year.

-Each teacher has also included optional enrichment resources on the assignment slides as well for students looking for more options.

If you have any questions please contact your teacher- we would love to help!

Gracias,

-[Srta. McNabb](#), [Sra. Pumroy](#), & [Srta. Tristano](#)

Office Hours for Intro @ Excelsior: M-F 1-2 PM

Office hours for Intro @ Oakridge: T/Th/Fri 10:30-11:30 AM, M/W 2-3 PM



Quarter Classes- FCS



State Standard 6.4: Evaluate factors that affect food safety from production through consumption.

This week, we continue exploring culinary arts! Each student can use the [choice board](#) on [Google Classroom](#) to complete two activities.

The instructors will check email each day and respond to questions.

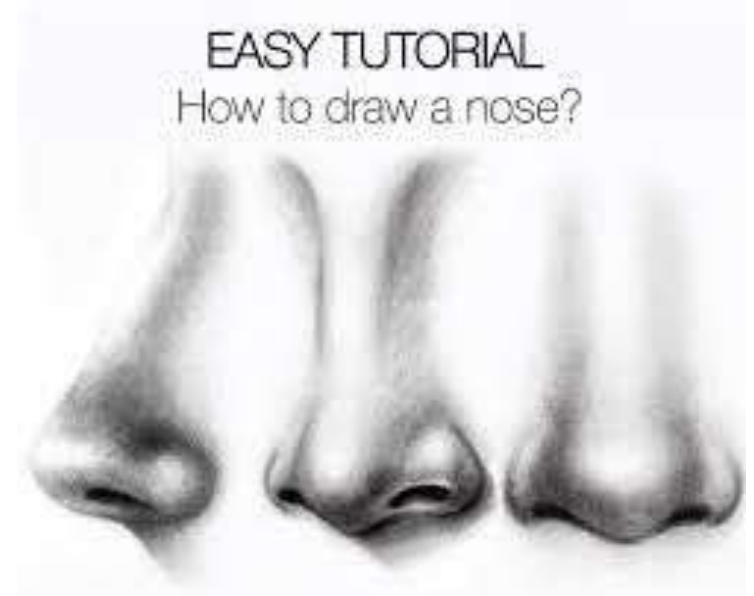
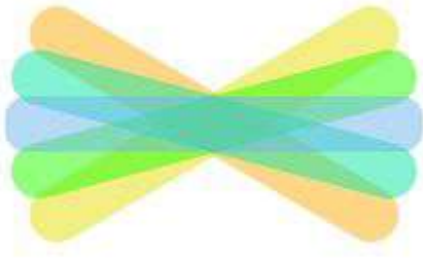
10:00-11:00 AM

Marcia Kreutner: mkreutner@linnmar.k12.ia.us (Excelsior)

2:00-3:00 PM

Charlotte McDonald: charlotte.mcdonald@linnmar.k12.ia.us (Oak Ridge)

Quarter Classes- *Art*



Mrs. Hale-Keuseman's Classroom Link

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1qRDRJxyegLdeXWI4ZjFMiWO712_GCZCJnA36-cuEfvE/edit

Mrs. Patel's Classroom Link

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1Z3WM1JuQ8MCU_kEhbDf3SaeLOUdLWEEbSjGbmMwa8E0/edit

Quarter Classes- *Robotics*

Please go to: <https://classroom.google.com/> to access the work for this week.

Topic: Our academic focus this week will be on programming robots. We will be using a VR platform created by VEX robotics. The platform allows you to enter your code and to see how the robot would respond. You will get to choose this week from a variety of programming challenges. Please turn in any assignments for feedback.

Contacts:

Excelsior- scott.wynkoop@linnmar.k12.ia.us, Office Hours M-F 10:00-11:00

Oak Ridge- mgapstur@linnmar.k12.ia.us, Office Hours: M-F 1:30-2:30

Quarter Classes- *HSP*

Please see [Google Classroom](#).

This week's activities include: Step 4: Adding science classes and electives to fulfill graduation requirements on your 4 year plan. This will COMPLETE your 4 year plan! YOU GOT THIS 8TH GRADERS!

If you have questions, email your High School Prep teacher:

ksleezer@linnmar.k12.ia.us (Excelsior)

kiley.haines@linnmar.k12.ia.us (Oakridge)

Band

Excelsior and Oak Ridge Middle School band students should click on [this link](#) to access options.

Objective: *Continue to practice and improve upon lesson book and other material.*

Vocal

Please see your teacher's Google Classroom for this week's assignment. Assignments will be posted each Monday.

Activities for May 25-29: Submitting Choral Recordings

Standard: MU:Pr6.1.E.8a Demonstrate attention to technical accuracy and expressive qualities in prepared and improvised performances of a varied repertoire of music.

Need help? Have questions?

Ms. Klein gina.klein@linnmar.k12.ia.us

Mrs. Luedeman wluedeman@linnmar.k12.ia.us

**We will always be available to help every day from 2:00-3:00 PM.
Don't hesitate to email us! :)**

Orchestra

Choose at least one of the following options to practice this week. If you'd like feedback, submit a video or recording through Flipgrid or SmartMusic to your teacher by Friday. See your teacher's website for further details.

1. An orchestra piece from class.
2. A piece you were working on in your lessons.
3. A scale you were working on at school.

Excelsior: [8th EX Orchestra Resources](#)

Oak Ridge: <https://sites.google.com/a/linnmar.k12.ia.us/ormusic/home/orchestra>

ELL

Please check our [Google Classroom](#) to submit and share your work!

ELP Standard 6-8.4 construct grade appropriate oral and written claims and support them with reasoning and evidence.

May 25th - May 29th				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Watch this short video for an introduction on the STEAL method for character traits.	Watch this video , choose a character trait, and complete the note taking organizer .	Do this FlipGrid to tell me about your character. Use your notes from Tuesday.	Read Facing the Lion and take notes using the STEAL method .	Use your notes from Thursday and write a paragraph .

Contact information: brianne.arnold@linnmar.k12.ia.us
Office Hours: 9:00-10:00 and 2:00-3:00

Make sure to check your email!

School Counseling

Your counselors are available to help!

- Counseling Department Resources- click [here](#)
- Office hours will vary based on student needs. E-mail or call with requests.

** Counselors will not have access to their phones but they can check voicemail remotely.

EX counselors:

Mike Shipley	Student Assistance	319-447-3152 (leave voicemail)	mshipley@linnmar.k12.ia.us
Lindsey Starmer	6th grade	319-447-3254 (leave voicemail)	lstarmer@linnmar.k12.ia.us
Margaret Buonadonna	7th Grade	319-447-3138 (leave voicemail)	mbuonadonna@linnmar.k12.ia.us
Erin Gorman	8th grade	319-447-3131 (leave voicemail)	egorman@linnmar.k12.ia.us

OR Counselors:

Jessica Deahl	Student Assistance	319-730-3559 (leave voicemail)	jdeahl@linnmar.k12.ia.us
Victoria Wanda	6A & 8th grade	319-447-3440 (leave voicemail)	vwanda@linnmar.k12.ia.us
Kim Woods	6B & 7th grade	319-447-3409 (leave voicemail)	kwoods@linnmar.k12.ia.us

If you are a student or the parent/guardian of a student who is experiencing a mental health crisis, such as self-harm, suicidal thoughts or actions, please call the Foundation 2 Crisis Line at (319) 362-2174 or 1-800-332-4224.

If the mental health crisis is causing a medical emergency, please dial 911 immediately.

Please dial 211 to be connected to a network of resources and services in Iowa.

Also available:
Katie Smith- Family Resource Specialist
319-730-3633 (leave voicemail)
katie.smith@linnmar.k12.ia.us

Library

The Destiny homepage for the library has many resources that may be helpful for students, including links to the Grant Wood Online Resources. In addition, students will be able to check out e-materials through Destiny using their network username and password.

Mrs. Kraus (OR) can be reached at skraus@linnmar.k12.ia.us

Mrs. Hart (EX) can be reached at khart@linnmar.k12.ia.us