



The Linn-Mar High School LION UPDATE

**BACK TO
SCHOOL
EDITION**

August/September 2017

9th Grade Only First Day of School on August 23

First Week Schedule

8/21 Teacher Workday/No Classes
8/22 Teacher Workday/No Classes
8/23 9th Grade Only Schedule
8/24 Homeroom Schedule
8/25 Regular Schedule

Second Week Schedule

8/28 Regular Schedule
8/29 Regular Schedule
8/30 Regular Schedule
8/31 Regular Schedule
9/1 Regular Schedule

Third Week Schedule

9/4 No Classes (Labor Day)
9/5 Regular Schedule
9/6 Regular Schedule
9/7 Regular Schedule
9/8 Regular Schedule

Fourth Week Schedule

9/11 Regular Schedule
9/12 Regular Schedule
9/13 Regular Schedule
9/14 Regular Schedule
9/15 Regular Schedule

Fifth Week Schedule

9/18 Regular Schedule
9/19 Regular Schedule
9/20 Regular Schedule
9/21 Regular Schedule
9/22 Regular Schedule

Sixth Week Schedule

9/25 Regular Schedule
9/26 Regular Schedule
9/27 Regular Schedule
9/28 Regular Schedule
9/29 Regular Schedule

ALL LMHS STUDENTS REPORT FOR CLASSES ON AUGUST 24.

Classes for all LMHS students will begin on Thursday, August 24 at 8:30 a.m. (9th Grade students will report on August 23 for their first day of classes). LMHS will be using a Homeroom Schedule on August 24, with Homeroom at 10:00 a.m., following 1st Block/2nd Period. During Homeroom, all 12th grade students will report to the Auditorium, while all 9th, 10th and 11th grade students will report to their Homeroom classrooms. Homeroom is required, and attendance will be taken.

Door #3 (North) and Door #13 (South) are the only entrances to be used when entering the building. Parents may drop students off in the drop-off areas near both doors. Bike racks are located near Door #3. Students arriving by bus will be dropped off on the north end of the building and enter at Door #3.

All 9th Grade Students Report to 1st Period/1st Block at 8:30 a.m. on Wednesday, August 23.

In an effort to ensure all 9th grade students have a successful start to their high school career, LMHS will have the first day of school, August 23, as a 9th grade only day. Students will go through a regular schedule and meet with teachers in all of their classes. The focus for the day will also include the topics of academic success and support, wayfinding, expectations, procedures, lunch, technology in the classroom, technology skill training, student assistance and support, and an activity fair.

All 230+ LMHS staff will be directly involved with the 9th grade students during the day to help make for a successful start to 9th grade. This is a required day of school for all 9th grade students, and attendance will be taken each period and block during the day.

The day will begin at 8:30 a.m. in 1st Period/1st Block. Students in Marching Band will have class at 7:15 a.m., and all before/after school practices, meetings or rehearsals will take place as normal on August 23.

9th Grade Parent Only Orientation Night on Monday, August 21

An orientation night for 9th grade parents will be held on Monday, August 21, beginning at 6:30 p.m. in the LMHS Auditorium. Specific sessions will be offered regarding communication, support-student assistance, academic focus, grading-homework, the student handbook, social-emotional support, and building tours. The evening will end around 8:00 p.m. With the 9th grade only first day of school this year, the event on August 21 is for 9th grade parents only. No events will be planned for students.

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ACADEMIC LETTER ASSEMBLIES ON AUGUST 31

Three Academic Assemblies will be held on Thursday, August 31. The 11th Grade assembly honoring Junior academic letter winners will begin at 9:00 a.m. The 12th Grade assembly will begin at 10:30 a.m. and the 10th Grade assembly will begin at 2:00 p.m. Each ceremony will take approximately thirty minutes followed by pictures. All three assemblies occur in the LMHS Auditorium. Students in grades 10-12, who have a cumulative grade point average of 3.33 during the 2016-17 school year, will receive academic letters.

Students receiving a cumulative grade point average of 3.75 during the 2016-17 school year, are eligible to receive an academic letter “with Honors”. Students receiving a cumulative grade point average of 4.00 during the 2016-17 school year are eligible to receive an academic letter “with Distinction”.

ACADEMIC ASSEMBLY PARKING INFORMATION

Parking on campus is extremely limited. Attendees of the Academic Assemblies are asked to park at New Life Church (29th and Alburnett Road) and take the bus shuttle to LMHS. Bus shuttles will begin thirty minutes prior to each assembly. We do ask that all attendees enter LMHS through door #1 (near the Auditorium), which will be open for the assemblies only.

PARENT OPEN HOUSE IS MONDAY, AUGUST 28 AT 6:45 P.M.

High School Parent Open House is Monday, August 28. Check-In and name tags will begin in both the Pride Rock Commons and South Commons at 6:30 p.m. Early-Bird Marching Band will meet at 6:45 p.m.. All parents will begin with 1st Period/1st Block at 7:00 p.m. Parents will run through an abbreviated student schedule, and meet teachers to hear course expectations and other information. All parents are welcome and encouraged to attend this event. ‘Learning Center’ periods will be meeting as scheduled. Parents are urged to print student schedules from home for use during the open house.

PSAT INFORMATION FOR JUNIORS

The PSAT National Merit Scholarship Competition exam will be given on Wednesday, October 11. Cost for the exam is \$15, and can be paid in the LMHS Cashier’s Office. Exam sign-up is in the 11th/12th Grades Office. For information and questions regarding the PSAT, please contact the 11th/12th Grades Office (447-3070). The National Merit Scholarship Competition is open to all interested Juniors.

LMHS ACT CODE
162763

ACADEMIC TIMELINES AND DATES

8/7-8	LMHS Registration
8/8	Counselors Return
8/21	9th Grade Parent Only Orientation
8/23	9th Grade Only 1st Day of Classes
8/24	1st Day of 1st Qtr.-Sem. for all grades
8/28	Deadline to Add 1st Qtr. Classes
	LMHS Parent Open House
8/31	Deadline to Add 1st Sem. Classes
	Academic Assemblies
9/9	ACT at LMHS
9/15	Deadline to Drop 1st Qtr. Classes
9/22	Deadline to Declare Credit/Fail For 1st Quarter Classes
10/11	PSAT

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Welcome to Our New Teachers at LMHS for 2017-18

Tyler Hagy: Mr. Hagy is our new vocal music teacher. He has a B.A. from Luther College in Music Education. He also has a M.A. in Choral Studies from Cambridge (UK) and a M.A. in Choral Conducting from the Conservatory of Music at the University of Cincinnati. Welcome to Tyler!

Nichole Sieck: Mrs. Sieck is our new Spanish teacher. She has a B.A. from UNI and a M.A. from Graceland University. Nichole has been teaching at CR Prairie HS since 2002 and has served as department chair. Welcome Nichole!

Bridgette Fritz: Ms. Fritz is a LMHS alum and will be a new French-Spanish teacher. She graduated in December from UNI with B.A. in French and Spanish Teaching. Ms. Fritz will be at LMHS in the a.m. and at Oak Ridge MS in the p.m. Welcome Bridgette!

Rene Tedrow: Mrs. Tedrow is a new Student Support Services teacher. She has been teaching in the Marion Independent School District. She has a B.A. from the University of Iowa, and has completed teaching certification areas at Morningside and Iowa State University. Welcome Rene!

Becky Cortez: Mrs. Cortez is our new Academic Intervention Teacher. She has been a Focus Lab instructor at LMHS the past two years. She has a B.A. in History from Augustana (SD). Welcome Becky!

Michael Whetstone: Mr. Whetstone is a new Science teacher. He has a B.A. in Physics and M.A.T. from the University of Iowa. He student taught at LMHS and in the country of Norway. Mr. Whetstone will begin on September 18 as he is completing officer training in the Iowa Army National Guard. Welcome Michael!

Chelsea Dill: Ms. Dill is a new Social Studies teacher at LMHS and also at the Compass Center. She has a B.A. from Park College and a M.A.T. from the University of Iowa. She has been a Student Supervisor at LMHS as she completed her coursework at the U. of Iowa. Ms. Dill is a Sgt. and MP in the Missouri Army National Guard. Welcome Chelsea!

Amanda Kloser: Ms. Kloser is a new English teacher. She has a B.A. from Luther College and a M.A.T. from the University of Iowa. She taught at Franklin Middle School in Cedar Rapids this past spring. Welcome Amanda!

Joe Pisarik: Mr. Pisarik is a new Science teacher. He has a B.S. from Cornell College. He has taught at Davis County HS and comes to us from Washington (IA) High School. Welcome Joe!

Corey Spurling: Mr. Spurling is a new Project Lead the Way and Design, Engineering and Materials teacher. He has a B.A. from Arizona State University. He has taught at Moon Valley HS and Dysart HS in Arizona, and he comes to us from CR Prairie HS. Welcome Corey!

Bryan Mangano: Dr. Mangano is a new English teacher. He has a B.A. from the Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts, a M.A. from Boston College, and a Ph.D. in English from the University of Iowa. During his studies at the U. of Iowa, he also taught courses in English at Grinnell College, Cornell College, Coe College and the University of Iowa. Welcome Bryan!

Phil Eastman: Mr. Eastman is the new Student Dean for grades 9 and 10. He has been a Math Teacher Instructional Leader and coach at Benton Community. He has a B.A. from Coe College, a M.A. from Graceland University, and M.S. in Educational Leadership from Drake University. Welcome Phil!

Steve Goodall: Mr. Goodall is the new Associate Principal, who will oversee the COMPASS Center and LRC HS classes. He has previously been a teacher/coach and associate principal at LMHS. Most recently, he has been the principal at Anamosa HS and McKinley MS (CR). Welcome Steve!

Mr. Eastman and Mr. Goodall hires are recent and still pending Board approval at the next Board meeting.

**LMHS REGULAR CLASS SCHEDULE
2017-2018**

Early-Bird Class - Marching Band 7:15-8:00 a.m.

Early Session 8:00-8:25 a.m.

1st Block	8:30-10:05 a.m.	1st Period	8:30-9:15 a.m.
2nd Block	10:10-11:45 a.m.	2nd Period	9:20-10:05 a.m.
3rd Block	11:50-1:20 p.m.	3rd Period	10:10-10:55 a.m.
	or 12:15-1:50 p.m.	4th Period	11:00-11:45 a.m.
4th Block	1:55- 3:30 p.m.	5th Period	11:50-12:35 p.m.
		6th Period	1:05-1:50 p.m.
		7th Period	1:55-2:40 p.m.
		8th Period	2:45-3:30 p.m.
Lunch A	11:45-12:10 p.m.		
Lunch B	12:10-12:35 p.m. (split block)		
Lunch C	12:35- 1:00 p.m.		
Lunch D	1:20- 1:50 p.m.		

****Buses begin departing at 3:40 p.m.****

4th QUARTER SCHOOL SAFETY SURVEY DATA

As part of the High Reliability Schools (HRS) certification process, Linn-Mar High School continually evaluates indicators to help ensure and maintain a safe culture in our building. One key indicator is whether or not students, staff, and parents perceive LMHS as being a safe building. Each semester, a short survey is given to students, staff, and parents to help monitor areas to be addressed regarding safety and security within the building. The following are the results to the May survey:

	(‘5’ + ‘4’ = Strongly Agree + Agree) (‘3’ in parentheses)					
	<u>Students</u>		<u>Staff</u>		<u>Parents</u>	
	2017	<i>May 2016</i>	2017	<i>May2016</i>	2017	<i>May 2016</i>
LMHS has a safe and orderly environment.	76.3 % (18.4 %)	59.7 % (27.4 %)	91.1 % (5.8 %)	76 % (19.8 %)	80.2 % (12.8 %)	70.6 % (22.3 %)
Fire Evacuation procedures known and practiced.	94.8 % (2.6 %)	85.5 % (9.7 %)	98.8 % (1.2 %)	97.9 % (1 %)	85.7 % (9.3 %)	66.9 % (30.2 %)
Tornado/Severe Weather procedures known/practiced.	78.3 % (13.5 %)	77.4 % (16.1 %)	97.7 % (1.2 %)	97.9 % (2.1 %)	84.2 % (12.9 %)	64.2 % (32.1 %)
Secure Building during school day.	73.7 % (15.8 %)	58.1 % (21 %)	77.7 % (14.1 %)	49.5 % (29.5 %)	74.5 % (14.9 %)	65.1 % (23.9 %)
Procedures in place to prevent unsafe situations.	81.6 % (10.5 %)	59 % (27.9 %)	91.1 % (5.8 %)	74.8 % (17.9 %)	77.9 % (11.8 %)	58.1 % (34.3 %)
Responds quickly to unsafe situations.	76.3 % (13.2 %)	55.7 % (31.1 %)	88.2 % (8.2 %)	84.4 % (11.5 %)	75 % (16.2 %)	61.9 % (30.5 %)

FAMILY CONNECTION AVAILABLE FOR LMHS STUDENTS AND PARENTS

Linn-Mar High School has partnered with Naviance to provide a variety of tools for student achievement through academic planning. These tools are located in **Family Connection**, a website for students and families to access online resources, communicate with school staff, and collaborate on college and career readiness activities. Students can research colleges, scholarships, careers, enrichment programs and courses in one location. They can also create individual plans that can be linked to college and career readiness. Students can communicate easily with teachers and counselors.

For college and career readiness, students can request transcripts and recommendations for college applications, as well as complete career assessments and perform college and career searches. Students can also create goals and track associated tasks and activities.

Students can access Family Connection on the LMHS web page using their network username and password. Parents will be issued a registration code in order to access Family Connection.

PICTURES AND RETAKES

Student pictures are taken on August 7 (9:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m.) and August 8 (9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.) during registration in the South Commons. Students not at registration will have pictures taken on September 1 beginning at 7:00 a.m. in the **Auditorium**. Picture retakes are scheduled for September 29 beginning at 7:30 a.m. in the **Auditorium**.

ONLY FOUR HOMEROOM SESSIONS IN 2017-18

Four Homeroom sessions will be held during the 2017-18 school year. The Homeroom dates are August 24, November 2, January 25, and April 5. Topics will include: Student Handbook 'points of emphasis', Harassment Procedures, Healthy Kids Act, 9th Grade Adjustment Sessions, Course Registration Planning, Graduation Planning, Post-Secondary Planning, Job Shadowing and Internship Planning, and information distribution. A separate Homeroom Schedule will be used on these four dates.

Homeroom is required of all students, and attendance will be taken at each session.

STUDENT TUTORING REQUESTS

Request forms for receiving a student peer or adult tutor may be found in the 9th-10th Grades Office, the 11th-12th Grades Office, or online. As many requests as possible are matched with a tutor. Tutoring takes place in forty-five minute sessions between 7:30 a.m. and 4:20 p.m. in the Learning Center, Upper Commons/Library, or Main Office.

PEER TUTORS and ADULT TUTORS

Applications to be a Student Peer Tutor (either volunteer or for credit) may be picked up in the 9th-10th Grades Office, 11th-12th Grades Office, or online. A brief orientation meeting is required of all tutors prior to a tutoring assignment. See your counselor for questions.

Adult Tutors sign up with Community Services as a LM Volunteer. Applications are available at the LRC, LMHS or online. Contact Karla Terry, Community Services Coordinator, for questions.

STUDENT ASSISTANCE

For any family, personal, social, academic, mental health, or other issues, please contact one of the student assistance counselors:

Janessa Walters Student Assistance Counselor
(Prevention Specialist) 892-4884

Kevin McCauley, Student Assistance
Counselor (Prevention Specialist) 447-3047

Lisa Mooney, Student Assistance Counselor,
(Family Specialist) 447-3129

Todd Goodell, Academic Assistance
Counselor 447-3073

A listing of faculty/staff on the LMHS Student Assistance Team is posted throughout the building. Students may contact any member of this team for assistance.

POWERSCHOOL AND POWERSCHOOL LEARNING

The student information system, PowerSchool, requires passcodes for both student and parent. Parents with more than one student in school will use the same passcode for each student. The information viewed on PowerSchool is the same for both student and parent. Please feel free to contact the 9th-10th Grades Office, 11th-12th Grades Office, or Main Office for assistance with PowerSchool. If you have questions regarding student academic scores, please contact your student's teacher for clarification. If a question or issue remains following the teacher contact, please do not hesitate to contact the Main Office, the 9th-10th Grades Office, or the 11th-12th Grades Office for assistance.

Classes are also reporting on student progress toward specific priority standards. This progress is also found on PowerSchool. Both traditional course grading and student progress toward the specific standards are kept for all LMHS courses and are available on PowerSchool. For questions regarding finding this information, feel free to contact the 9th-10th Grades Office (447-3043), 11th-12th Grades Office (447-3070), Main Office (447-3040), or your student's counselor.

Beginning in 2017-18, LMHS will also be implementing PowerSchool Learning to complement PowerSchool. PowerSchool Learning is a system designed to help organize learning resources and activities for each course at LMHS. Teachers have been exposed to PowerSchool Learning, but will just begin to utilize and test the instructional capabilities of the system this fall.

ZAPS ACT PREP WORKSHOP

Marion High School will be hosting a ZAPS ACT Prep workshop on Saturday, October 14, from 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. ***Sign-up for the workshop and information may be found at ZAPS.com.***

COLLEGE AND CAREER CENTER

The College and Career Center is housed in its permanent location adjacent to the South Commons. It is staffed by school counselors and the records secretary before and during the school day. Visiting colleges and career speakers will be available in the center, as well as planning resources and information. Informational meetings will be available to students and parents during the year.

Information regarding the College Fair at Kirkwood Community College on September 13 may also be found in the College and Career Center.

A College Planning Night will be held at 6:00 p.m. on April 19, 2018. A Financial Aid Night will also be held at 7:00 p.m. on April 19, 2018. Both of these meetings will be held in the College and Career Center and South Commons.



LMHS Fire and Tornado Drills

LMHS will have four Fire drills during the school year. Any unscheduled alarms that may occur do not count as having a drill. Last year, all occupants were out of the building in an average of two minutes, with an additional three minutes average to get to the evacuation location. Four Severe Weather drills are held each year as well. Last year, the average time for all to evacuation locations was three minutes.

ATM AVAILABLE AT LMHS

An ATM machine will be available in Linn-Mar High School beginning in August. It will be located in a small vestibule across from the 11th-12th Grades Office near the South Commons. A transaction fee may apply depending upon the bank where a particular account is held. The purpose of having the ATM available is to provide a convenience for visitors, students and staff wishing to withdraw or deposit funds while at the building for events or during the school day.

MEDICATION

Students who must take prescribed medication at school must have written authorization on file in the Health Office. Non-prescribed medication will be given with physician and parent approval only. Students are not to carry any medication at any time without a note of approval from the school nurse. Contact the Health Office at [447-3080](tel:447-3080) for questions.

ANNUAL HEARING SCREENING

Students new to Linn-Mar, and students with a known history of ear problems may be tested for hearing during the school year. Parents who do not want their student's hearing tested will need to indicate this in writing to the school nurse each year.

LUNCH MONEY

Lunch money may be deposited into accounts each day in the Cashier's Office any time from 7:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Money may also be deposited online using a link on the district website.

**STUDENT LOCKERS**

All 9th Grade students are assigned lockers. 10th, 11th and 12th Grades students may request a locker through the grade levels offices. Student lockers are to store school materials and personal items needed for school. All students are advised NOT to bring valuable or non-school related items to school. Students are responsible for keeping assigned lockers clean.

BUILDING CLOSES AT 3:45 P.M.

This is a reminder that the Linn-Mar High School building officially closes each day at 3:45 p.m. Students with activities beginning after 3:45 p.m. must leave and return when the activity is scheduled. General student supervision is not present after 3:45 p.m. each day. Thank you for your cooperation and planning for student pick-up by 3:45.

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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!***

REACH BOOKLET

The Student Activities “REACH” booklet is now available on the High School web page. The booklet provides a listing of all student activities at Linn-Mar High School, including clubs, organizations, fine arts and athletics.

LEARNING CENTER

The Learning Center is a program for all Linn-Mar students and serves as an extension of the classroom. The Learning Center is led by the Academic Intervention Teacher (Becky Cortez) in cooperation with teachers and counselors. The Learning Center gives students the opportunity to work on core instruction, and provides enrichment opportunities or time for individual study and group collaboration. **All 9th and 10th grade students are assigned to the Learning Center during non-class periods.**

Listed below are some of the supports offered within the Learning Center. If you have any questions concerning the Learning Center or supports offered within please contact your student’s counselor for further information or visit the Learning Center link in the LMHS website.

- Guided Studies
- Focus Lab
- Tutoring Lab
- Afterschool Guided Study Program
- Early Session Learning Center
- Academic Assistance Counseling
- Three Classroom Computer Labs
- Writing Center
- Student Testing Rooms

MVC ATHLETICS WEBSITE

All Linn-Mar High School athletics schedules are on the MVC Athletics website. Anyone may sign-up to receive text and email notifications regarding game changes, postponements or cancellations. This will be the primary site for athletic notices used by the Linn-Mar High School Athletics Department.

www.mississippivalleyiowa.org

Contact the Athletic Office :

David Brown (AD): 447-3061

Tonya Moe (Assoc. AD): 447-3086

Melaine Kelley (Secretary): 447-3060

FALL ATHLETIC TICKET PRICES

Ticket prices for Linn-Mar High School varsity fall athletics:

Football

Adults \$6.00

Students \$5.00

Volleyball/Girls Swimming

Adults \$5.00

Students \$4.00

9th Grade Games

Adults \$2.00

Students \$1.00

Student Activity Tickets for the 2017-18 school year may be purchased at registration or from the cashier for \$45. Adult 10 event punch tickets are available for \$40 through the Athletic Office.

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TIME RELEASE

Juniors and Seniors may be granted Time Release during unscheduled time if:

1. A parent permission form is on file in the 11th-12th Grades Office
2. All grades in the previous grading period were passing
3. In good standing with the Code of Conduct and Attendance Policy

Parents may revoke or reinstate Time Release (if eligible) at any time. Students with no Time Release are assigned to a specific seat in the Learning Center. **Grades 9 and 10 do NOT have Time Release privileges and must report to The Learning Center for all unscheduled periods.**

11th and 12th grade students with Time Release, who are receiving a failing grade after the sixth week of a quarter, will have Time Release revoked for the remaining three weeks of the quarter. This is to provide supervised academic study time and academic support, and should help students to successfully complete the course(s).

EARLY GRADUATION REQUESTS

Any seniors planning to graduate at the end of 1st Semester are required by Board Policy to have a signed Early Graduation form to the Principal's Office by December 1, 2017. Students wishing to graduate at the end of 3rd Quarter must have a signed Early Graduation form to the Principal's Office by March 1, 2018. Students should see their school counselor for information regarding Early Graduation and the form required prior to School Board approval.

COLLEGE FAIR

AT KIRKWOOD COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Kirkwood Community College will be holding the annual college fair on Wednesday, September 13, from 9:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m. on the Kirkwood Campus.

Students attending the session will need to have parents contact the 11th-12th Grades Office (447-3046) in order to be excused as a college visit.

LINN-MAR HIGH SCHOOL NOTIFICATIONS VIA BUILDING WEBPAGE, TWITTER and FACEBOOK

Linn-Mar High School updates and information may be found on the LMHS building webpage (linnmar.k12.ia.us), Twitter @LinnMarHSIowa, and Facebook. We encourage students, parents and others with interest in LMHS to follow on the LMHS webpage, Twitter and Facebook.

CONTACT INFORMATION

Main Office:	447-3040
Jeff Gustason (Principal)	447-3041
9th-10th Grades Office:	447-3043
ATTENDANCE (9/10)	447-3050
Kim Buelt (AP)	447-3044
Phil Eastman (Dean)	447-3022
Sheryl Cline (9-10)	447-3175
Greg Hall (9-10)	447-3074
Pete Martin (9-10)	447-3072
11th-12th Grades Office:	447-3070
ATTENDANCE (11/12)	447-3046
Joe Nietert (AP)	447-3042
Chris Robertson (Dean)	447-3051
David Kennedy (11-12)	447-3104
Elizabeth Kreher (11-12)	447-3071
Jennifer Thurston (11-12)	447-3098
Compass Center (LRC):	730-3620
Steve Goodall (AP)	730-3621
Athletics Office:	447-3060
David Brown (AD)	447-3061
Tonya Moe (Assoc. AD)	447-3086
Nurse's Office:	447-3080
N. Kleitsch/A. Beik	447-3081
Student Assistance Counselors:	
Janessa Walters	892-4884
Kevin McCauley	447-3047
Lisa Mooney	447-3129
Academic Assistance Counselor:	
Todd Goodell	447-3073

BLENDED LEARNING TO LMHS THIS YEAR

Approximately 14 of over 740 total LMHS course sections will be taught using a 'blended learning' format during the 2017-18 school year. The subjects are limited to specific sections of World History, General Biology, English III, and Spanish IV. Blended course offerings are courses created with a defined intent of utilizing the best face-to-face and digital instructional methods available to learning. Blended courses will meet at the same time daily, but will have variable expectations (always teacher-determined) regarding days of face-to-face attendance per week. At no time will students meet with their instructor less than three days per week and at no time will the expectations and rigor of a Blended class be less than that of a traditional course section. Students will be taught the same content, held to the same standards, and be given the same summative assessments as students taking the traditional course sections. Blended course instructors will be available to students every day that school is in session. A primary difference students will experience with Blended coursework is that frequent digital (electronic) engagement with course content will be required. Students taking a 'blended' section who do not have time release (including all 9th and 10th grades students), will be allowed to utilize the Pride Rock Commons, West-Theater Commons, Upper Commons-Library, Study Commons at the Main Office, and South Commons, for required coursework as allowed by the instructor.

Linn-Mar High School Parking for 2017-18

For the 2017-18 school year, the continuation of limiting the number of issued parking tags will remain with the \$25.00 tag fee guaranteeing an on-campus parking space for students with parking tags.

Parking Lottery Forms must be turned in by NOON on Friday, August 11.

11th and 12th Grades:

Lottery will determine choice of three designated parking lots (North, Far North, South).

Lottery sign up began late spring through Friday, August 11

Lottery takes place on Monday, August 14

Lottery selectees may begin purchasing parking tags on Monday, August 14.

\$25.00 for parking tag.

Students will make lot preferences on Lottery sign up form.

Three lots (North, Far North, South) should allow for all 11th and 12th grade students who are eligible for a parking tag to have one.

Students must verify a valid driver license at the time of submitting application for the lottery.

10th Grade:

Lottery will determine eligibility for parking tag.

Lottery sign up began late spring through Friday, August 11.

Lottery takes place on Monday, August 14.

Lottery selectees may begin purchasing parking tags on Monday, August 14.

\$25.00 for parking tag.

Stadium East/Aquatic Center Lot, East Lot will be 10th grade parking areas.

(May also fill spaces in Far North, North or South Lots during year as space allows).

Students must verify a valid driver license at the time of submitting application for the lottery.

9th Grade:

Armstrong Field Gravel Lot area (tag only, no fee).

Staff:

Designated areas of North Lot, South Lot, West Lot and East Lot.

Visitors:

Designated areas in the North Lot and South Lot.

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CONTINUED FOCUS ON WHAT TO DO FOR A LOCKDOWN/SERIOUS THREAT

The past three years, along with our annual fire and tornado drills, LMHS has also conducted a Lockdown/Serious Threat ‘drill’ to provide information and direction to students on what to do in the event of a Serious Threat within or outside of the building or a Lockdown of the building. Last year, all district buildings, including LMHS, conducting non-intensive Lockdown/Serious Threat (A-L-I-C-E) trainings in the spring. LMHS held three 10 minute ‘drills’ during a week in early April. The purpose of the Lockdown/Serious Threat trainings was simply to inform students what to do and where to go in the event of a serious threat within or outside of the building. The three 10 minute trainings focused on instructions for ‘**Run**’, ‘**Hide**’, and ‘**Fight**’. Combined with safety/security protocols and infrastructure improvements, these information sessions are designed to help better prepare everyone in our building should the need ever arise.

[Below is the building signage posted in every LMHS classroom for Lockdown or Serious Threat.](#)

‘LIVE’ A-L-I-C-E TRAINING FOR SELECTED VOLUNTEER STUDENTS ON SEPTEMBER 9

For the first time, LMHS will be partnering with the Marion Police Department to provide ‘live’ A-L-I-C-E (Alert-Lockdown-Inform-Counter-Evacuate) training. The training will be held from 7:30-9:30 a.m. on Saturday, September 9, on the southwest portion of LMHS. Up to 125 LMHS student volunteers will be selected for this initial training session. This is intensive training that will involve gunfire (without live bullets), running, throwing, and physical restraint of acting perpetrators. The training also involves information, discussion questions, and is designed to place students in a position in which they must take action and feel confident and empowered to do so. All LM district staff go through periodic ‘live’ training with the Marion Police. We will have counselors and staff on site to provide support for the students participating in the training.

Sign up for students wishing to do the ‘live’ training will begin at registration and continue through August 29. Parent permission is required. Students selected will be informed on September 1. Parents of participating students may be on site to observe the training, but will be asked to observe only as the ‘live’ training takes place. It is hoped that we can provide additional trainings for students unable to attend this initial training.

LOCKDOWN OR SERIOUS THREAT

For a threat within the building: flee the building immediately.

RUN—Go by foot to either the ESCO building (on Barrington Ave. north and west of LMHS) or the Indian Creek Country Club (on Indian Creek Road south and east of LMHS) so that you can be accounted for. It does not matter which location.

For announced building lockdown with a threat outside of the school building: stay in the building and listen for instructions.

HIDE—Move away from outside, ground level windows and doors. Please, do not use cell phones. At some point, you will be instructed to use your cell phone to contact family and let them know that you are ok.

For a threat in your immediate area and you are unable to flee: protect yourself, and flee the building as you are able.

FIGHT—If you cannot leave a room, barricade doors, and ‘arm’ yourself with any objects to use to attack should a perpetrator try to enter the room. As you are able, flee the building, and go by foot to either the ESCO building (on Barrington Ave. north and west of LMHS) or the Indian Creek Country Club (on Indian Creek Road south and east of LMHS) so that you can be accounted for. It does not matter which location.