

THE RAM REPORT

January 7th, 2024

Upward, We Strive

REYNOLDS RAP

Welcome back from Winter Break! We are so excited to begin the new semester, the last semester of high school for our seniors! As students reflect on their performance and set goals for the future, following are important reminders:

- Students in grades 9-11 who fail a core course can participate in credit recovery through Plato. To do this, students must attend our after-school tutoring on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 2:45 - 4:15 pm. Tutoring starts back up on Tuesday, Jan. 16.
- Students also have the option of credit recovery through Summer School. Information on how to register will be posted after Spring Break.
- Students who accrued 10 or more unexcused absences during 1st semester will have their credit denied in the courses with 10+ absences. Students can make up their hours through our after-school tutoring program or can get their credits reinstated by having 5 or fewer unexcused absences this semester.
- As a reminder, students are not allowed to use their cell phones during instructional time unless their teacher directs them to for instructional purposes. All students must place phones in their backpacks or on racks in classrooms.

As you set goals for 2nd semester, make sure that daily attendance is a priority goal! Go Rams! -Dr. Reynolds

WHAT'S NEW IN RAMNATION

Important Information for Seniors

Dates to Remember:

Jan. 24: Senior Panoramic Photo

April 8-12: Senior Week

April 13: Prom at Royal Pacific Resort (Universal)

April 19: Grad Bash

May 15: Seniors' last day

May 22: Graduation at 7:30 pm

Grad Bash Tickets: Tonight is the last night to purchase tickets on [MySchoolBucks](#) for \$120. You must be logged in and not purchasing as a guest. Tomorrow, tickets increase to \$140, and the last day to purchase tickets is Feb. 17.

Cap and Gown: The price for the basic cap and gown package, to include grad fees, is still \$90.00. The price increases to \$120 on February 1st. Visit herffjones.com to purchase.

Seniors, did you fail a core class first

semester? If so, your counselor will attempt to schedule you into a section of Plato credit recovery. If that's not possible, you can complete Plato courses in our after-school tutoring program, which takes place in the Media Center every Tuesday and Thursday from 2:45 - 4:15 pm. The first tutoring session of second semester is Tuesday, January 16.

New this year, seniors who fail a required course during the second semester of their senior year will not be allowed to graduate in May. You will be required to take the failed class in Plato during summer school and graduate during our summer graduation ceremony. Seniors, please make sure you pass all of your required courses this semester!!

Athletics Update

Events for January 8-13

Boys Soccer

Monday: Home vs. East Ridge. JV @ 5:30pm, Varsity @ 7:00pm.

Wednesday: Home vs. Lyman (Senior Night). JV @ 5:00pm, Varsity @ 7:00pm.

Friday: Away vs. Hagerty. JV @ 5:00pm, Varsity @ 7:00pm.

Girls Soccer

Thursday: Away vs. Hagerty. JV @ 5:00pm, Varsity @ 7:00pm.

Friday: Home vs. Winter Springs. JV @ 5:00pm, Varsity @ 7:00pm.

Girls Basketball

Monday: Away vs. Jones. JV @ 6:00pm, Varsity @ 7:30pm.

Tuesday: Away vs. Lake Brantley. JV @ 5:30pm, Varsity @ 7:00pm.

Thursday: Home vs. West Orange. JV @ 6:00pm, Varsity @ 7:30pm.

Boys Basketball

Monday: Away vs. Lake Howell. Freshman @ 4:30pm, JV @ 6:00pm, Varsity @ 7:30pm.

Wednesday: Home vs. Celebration. Freshman @ 4:30pm (vs. East River), JV @ 6:00pm, Varsity @ 7:30pm.

Friday: Home vs. Seminole. Freshman @ 4:30pm, JV @ 6:00pm, Varsity @ 7:30pm.

Girls Weightlifting

Wednesday: SAC Championships @ Lyman. 3:30pm.

Girls Wrestling

Friday: Girls Night Out Tournament @ Ocoee. 2:30pm.

Saturday: Lady Bear Classic @ Cypress Creek. 9:30am.

Boys Wrestling

Tuesday: Home vs. Pine Ridge (Senior Night). 5:00pm.

Competitive Cheerleading

No events this week.

Congratulations

Special congratulations to our boys wrestling team for placing 2nd out of 22 teams in the Ron Peters Tournament of Champions held at LMHS this weekend. Thanks to our coaches and players for hosting such an outstanding tournament!

Clubs & Activities

Music Appreciation Club will hold their first meeting of 2024 on Wednesday January 10th at 1:30 pm in Mrs. Taylor's room 1134. Bring your club t-shirt and hoodie design ideas.

Help LMHS Drama Club get to the State Festival in March. [Browse auction and prize items](#) or make a donation to off-set the costs for our students traveling to Tampa. Please share the auction with others so they can get involved too. With your help, Lake Mary will make a dramatic impression this season. The time has come... Curtain up!

PTSA Invites You: The LMHS PTSA will be hosting a general meeting on Tuesday, January 16th, at 5pm in the Media Center. All are welcome and encouraged to attend!

Literacy Week: Jan 22-26: Literacy Week is just around the corner, and this year's theme is "**Believe in Your Shelf: Building resiliency through reading**". Students are encouraged to participate in the dress-up days listed below.

Monday, January 22

Reading Gives You Superpowers



Dress up as your favorite superhero

Tuesday, January 23

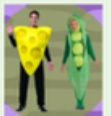
Snuggle Up with a Good Book



Wear your pajamas to school

Wednesday, January 24

Rhyme Time



Dress as rhyming words with a friend

Thursday, January 25

Dress the Part



Come dressed as your favorite author or literary character

Friday, January 26

Idioms Come to Life



Dress up as an idiom

A fork in the road

Smarty pants

A chip on your shoulder

Bookworm

Winter Sports Tryouts

Boys Weightlifting tryouts will be held on Thursday and Friday this week after school in the weight room. See Coach Perry in the weight room if you have any questions.

Boys and Girls Water Polo tryouts will be held this week (Monday through Friday) at Lake Howell High School from 4:30pm-6:30pm.

Student Services

Important Dates

January 12: 12:30 pm: Yale Visit - Sign up in Student Services

January 30: 5:30 - 7:30 pm: FAFSA Application Help Night

Virtual Courses: All SCVS/FLVS classes must be completed by the deadline provided by your online teacher. Make sure you stay on task with the modules in your course. All students enrolled in a virtual course must complete the virtual contract and return it to your school counselor.

Community Service Hours: We encourage students desiring to qualify for the Bright Futures Scholarship to complete and turn in your volunteer hours no later than May 1st. Students can obtain SCPS Volunteer Service Program Guidelines & Service Plan form in the student services office or SCPS website.

Appts with School Counselor: For students to make an appointment with their counselor, please go to LMHS website, select student services> Counselor and appointments. From there, you will see the student booking appointment link. For parent appointments please reach out to Ms. Gilley (Student Services Secretary) at 407-320- (Student Services Secretary) at 407-320-9516.9516. Students, if you need to speak to your School Counselor, please do not hesitate to come to the Student Services Office for assistance.

Student Email: Students, please ensure that you check your email at least twice a week. Email is a primary way for many to communicate. To get to your school email, you will log on to your Clever Portal and select the Office 365 application. From there, you can check and respond to important information and review school announcements that are sent to all students and families.

Letters of Recommendation: Seniors as you are starting to apply to college, requests for letters will come to your school counselor. Be sure to complete the "Counselor Letter of Recommendation" form located in the Student Services Office or on our school website. You may email this directly to your counselor. Please allow 2 weeks for processing. Also, ensure all information requested on the form is completed so that your counselor can compose an appropriate letter.

Testing Update

Save the Date

The ACT will be given to all 11th grade students on Tuesday, October 31 and Tuesday, March 26 during the school day. (This will be paper based testing.) The Digital SAT will be given to all 11th grade students on March 7, 2024 during the school day. Students will not need to register for these assessments and there will be no charge. More information will be sent out closer to each testing date.

Florida Assessment of Student Thinking – PM2

The Florida Assessment of Student Thinking (FAST) is a progress monitoring tool that will be administered to all 9th and 10th grade students three times per year to track your student's progress in learning the Benchmarks of Excellent Student Thinking (B.E.S.T.) Standards throughout this school year.

The assessment is computer based and is 90 minutes in length or longer for all students.

9th grade students will test on Thursday, January 11 or Friday, January 12. Testing date and location has been emailed to students and parents.

10th grade students will test on Thursday, January 18 or Friday, January 19. Testing date and location will be emailed to students and parents this week. Your student's results from PM2 are for informational purposes only. Results will be available within a few days upon completion in the Florida Department of Education's (FDOE) Family portal.

You can access the FDOE's Family Portal via the **secure Skyward Family Access**.

1. Click on District Links (located in the upper right corner of screen)
2. Click on Florida State Assessment Portal (Student Name) link
3. If you have multiple students, each student will have their own link to the portal.

The FAST parent letter with more information is attached.

Advanced Placement Curriculum Night

The Advanced Placement Curriculum Night will be held on Tuesday, January 23 at 6:00pm in the Auditorium. Come and learn about the benefits of taking AP courses. More information coming soon.

Second Semester Testing Calendar

The second semester testing calendar is linked in this email.