

# LSM High School Headlines

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Hello LSM Community,

I can't believe how quickly the weeks are flying by! I know both our students and staff are looking forward to a little extra time off with Columbus Day on Monday.

Please keep in mind that next Wednesday is SAT/PSAT Day here at LSM. Grade 9 students **will not** come to school on Wednesday. All Grade 10 and 11 students will take the PSATs and we have some seniors coming in to take the SATs as well. All students who are testing will be dismissed by noon and we will not be serving lunch. Good luck to all!

Believe it or not we are also more than half-way through our first marking term. This would be a good time to take a moment to look over Powerschool and touch base with teachers with any questions you might have. Our first quarter runs through early November.

Here are some important dates to start thinking about. Do not hesitate to contact the school at 860-673-0423 if you have any questions or need more information.

**October 12<sup>th</sup>** – No School – Columbus Day

**October 14<sup>th</sup>** – SAT and PSAT testing grades 10-12. Dismissal at noon.

**October 19<sup>th</sup>** – Planning for College – Part 4: 7-8:30 on Zoom

**November 9<sup>th</sup>** – Early Release (11:30) – Teacher PD

**November 25<sup>th</sup>-27<sup>th</sup>** – No School – Thanksgiving Break

## Some Additional Details:

**October 14<sup>th</sup>:** This coming Wednesday, October 14<sup>th</sup> will be a ½ day for LSM to accommodate for PSAT and SAT testing. All of our grade 10 and 11 students will be in the building in the morning taking the PSAT. Many seniors have also registered to take the SAT on the 14<sup>th</sup> and will be here as well. All of our grade 9 students and seniors not taking the SAT will **not** come into the building on the 14<sup>th</sup>.

**Virtual College Fairs:** Although we will not be able to hold our annual college fair in person this year, our counseling office has a lot of options for our seniors who are in the midst of their college search. Please check out this link for all the

info: <http://region10lewis.ss7.sharpschool.com/cms/One.aspx?portalId=466683&pageId=13521345>

**Youth Coalition Event:** Here is a flyer with information about an upcoming community conversation on October 21<sup>st</sup> sponsored by our Youth Coalition. [Community Speak Up Flyer.pdf](#)

**Softball Fundraiser:** Have you cleaned out the closets while stuck at home? If so, donate your clothing and/or bedding and bath items to the Lewis Mills Softball Team Saver's Fundraiser. We are making a donation in early November so we can take your unwanted items off your hands. The drop off will be on Saturday, November 7<sup>th</sup> from 10-11 AM. Please contact Coach Chris Sawyer ([csawyer@annie-mac.com](mailto:csawyer@annie-mac.com)) or Kara Jones ([karajones@bristolk12.org](mailto:karajones@bristolk12.org)) for details. Among the items that will be accepted are:

- Men's, women's, and children's clothing
- Men's, women's, and children's shoes and accessories – handbags, wallets, hats, gloves, scarves, belts etc.
- Bedding and bath items – linens, towels, blankets, comforters, tablecloths, placemats, curtains etc.

**Scouts:** Please check out the attached flyer for registration information about one of our local scouting groups. [Scouts BSA Flyer.pdf](#)

**Thermometers:** The district has received a supply of digital/Bluetooth thermometers. If you would like one, simply have your son/daughter drop by the LSM office to pick one up or let me know and I will make sure they get it.

**Wellness Watch:** Check out the most recent edition of our Coordinated School Health Team's newsletter with a focus on local businesses and the precautions they are taking during the pandemic. [October 2020 Wellness Watch.pdf](#)

**Yearbook:** There is now a yearbook link on the LSM website - you can purchase a yearbook at the lowest cost of the year!

Senior parents, if you follow this link there is also information regarding senior ads for our yearbook.

If you have any questions email the advisor, Mrs. Angelicola-Manzolli at [angelicolab@region10ct.org](mailto:angelicolab@region10ct.org)

**College Financial Planning:** The final installment of our College Planning series will take place on Monday, October 19<sup>th</sup>.

The Zoom link for this session is: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88549147126> If you were unable to make any of the earlier sessions, the video links have been posted to our counseling page on the LSM website under "College Connections".

**Class of 2022 Pasta Fundraiser:** Support the Class of 2022 by purchasing fun-shaped and themed pasta from this link:

<https://funpastafundraising.com/shop/lewis-s-mills-high-school-class-of-2022>

The online shop is open until next Friday, October 16<sup>th</sup>. Both delivery to the school or to your doorstep are available. Please reach out to [Class22Advisor@region10ct.org](mailto:Class22Advisor@region10ct.org) with any questions.

## Athletic Information

The fall sports season is underway! Here are a few updates for our fall teams:

**Boys Soccer:** Overall record of 0-1-2 after the first couple weeks.

**Girls Soccer:** Playing well. Now 3-0-1 on the season.

**Boys XC:** 1-1 so far with Justin Cascio putting up some fast times.

**Girls XC:** 2-0 early in the season. The whole team is running well.

**Girls Volleyball:** Have a 1-3 record over the first couple weeks.

**Field Hockey:** Have started the season 0-3-1 against tough competition.

**Cheerleading:** Thanks for your support during our soccer games!

**Unified Soccer:** Getting out for practices every week.

**Crew:** Starting to get out on the water. Hoping for some races later this month.

In addition, here is some updated information from our Athletic Director, Jay Pelchar, about our spectator policy that is in place:

Spectator policies for athletic events remain in place throughout the state; our policy at LSM for the remainder of the fall is consistent with schools we compete against and is as follows:

**Outdoor events** (soccer, field hockey, cross country): Immediate families of our athletes are permitted to attend. There will continue to be event staff checking family members in upon arrival. Family units must stay together and spaced 10 feet from other families. Masks are required while traveling to and from your viewing location.

**Indoor events** (volleyball): 2 parent/guardians per LSM athlete are permitted to attend. Masks must be worn at all times. Social distancing must be maintained in the stands.

No other spectators are permitted, including visiting parents/fans or LSM students. As stated previously these same policies are in place at our opposing schools, so no LSM spectators of any kind will be allowed entry at away games - per the policy at those schools.

With that being said, we are doing our best to livestream as many of our games as possible, both home and away. This is being done with the help of some of our LSM families, and links can be found on the Athletics page of the LSM website:

[http://lewis.region10ct.org/athletics/livestream\\_fall\\_2020](http://lewis.region10ct.org/athletics/livestream_fall_2020)

It has been a great first two weeks of “All-In”! Enjoy the long weekend and the fall weather.

Stay Safe,

Chris Rau

Principal

[Contact Information](#) – Have questions for us? Here are some quick contacts. Information for all teachers and staff is available on the Region 10 website: [region10ct.org](http://region10ct.org).

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