Dear LCMR Senior Parents and Guardians,

Hello Senior Year!! As the new school year begins, we want to welcome you and your students to an exciting and pivotal year of high school. This is a significant time in your child's educational journey, and we are here to support both you and them through the process.

As school counselors for senior students, our role is to help your child navigate the academic, social and emotional aspects of their final year in high school. From college and career planning to managing stress, we are committed to assisting your child in making this year a great one.

### **Areas of Focus for Senior Year**

- Post-Grad Planning: Whether your child is considering college, technical training, military, or entering the workforce, this is the year for important decisions. Counselors will be meeting with every senior to discuss the path they wish to pursue. Attached is the "Hello Senior Year" slideshow the students were given last spring, as well as the College Application Checklist and LCMR College Planning Calendar for students looking to apply to 4-year institutions.
  - □ Hello Senior Year 2025
  - College Application Checklist
  - LCMR College Planning Calendar
    - a. Special Events/Dates to Remember
      - i. Financial Aid Night 10/6/25 @ 6:00pm in the HS Theatre
      - ii. AP exam registration deadline is 10/24/25
      - iii. College/Career/Military Rep Visits- Juniors and Seniors are invited to all representative visits that occur in the guidance office. Rep visits are a great opportunity to learn more about various colleges, career, and military opportunities without having to leave LCMR. The Rep visit schedule was distributed through Remind and a copy of the schedule is below.
        - College/Military Visits
- Scholarships- Join the LCMR Caper Scholarships google classroom. All local scholarships are listed on google classroom and are also available in hard copy form in the guidance office. Join code is 2sgpewb
- 3. **Testing**-The following tests will be held at LCMR throughout the year. The testing schedule is below.
  - a. PSAT at LCMR- 10/22/25
  - b. SAT at LCMR- 11/8/25, 3/14/26, 6/6/26 Register @ collegeboard.org/SAT
  - c. ASVAB at LCMR (Military entrance exam) 11/19/25, 4/22/26 sign up in guidance

### W SAT.ACT Quick Guide.docx

- Graduation Requirements-Counselors review student records to ensure your student is on track to graduate. We review credits, progress, and ensure all necessary requirements are met.
  - a. All students must complete a financial aid application (FASFA) or complete a waiver as part of their graduation requirement. FAFSA waiver.pdf

#### 5. School Resources Available

- a. Caper Connection after school help program. Caper Connection (1).pdf
- School-Based Youth Services (SBYS)- Mental health services, see attached flyer for details. Permission slips are required for students under the age of 15.
  - SBYS Flyer.pdf

## **Dual Credit Information**

Dual Credit courses are designed in partnership with local colleges. Students enrolled in these courses can gain college-level academic experience while earning credits that apply to both their high school diploma and a college degree. Attached is a list of all of our dual credit courses. It is a 2-step process to receive college credit for these courses- students must apply to the institution and also register for the course by the dates below.

■ LCMR Dual Credit Courses (ALL) updated 2024.docx

Important Dates for Dual Credit:

1. ACCC courses

Application deadline is 11/30/25. Students cannot register for a course if they do not apply by the deadline

Registration window is from 1/15/26 through 3/15/26

Payment due by the end of the registration period

Link to ACCC dual credit for more information-

https://www.atlanticcape.edu/admission/high-school-students/dual-enrollment.php

2. Stockton courses

Application deadline is 10/18/25. Students cannot register for a course if they do not apply by the deadline

Registration begins on 11/4/25

Final Payment due on 11/14/25

\*\*\*\*Stockton Credits are free for all students who qualify for Free or Reduced Lunch\*\*\*\*
Link to Stockton dual credit for more information-

https://stockton.edu/dual-credit/dual-credit-instructions.html

# AP Testing

All students in an AP class have the opportunity to take an AP test through the College Board at the end of the year. If students achieve a certain score on their AP test, they can receive college credit for those courses. Students in AP courses will receive a packet in the mail with information regarding how to register, deadlines and fees for AP testing. Please note the change from past years- students will be registering for AP courses on their own, it will not be completed in class.

# How you can support your child

- Communication is key: Please encourage open communication with your student about their goals and concerns. If they are feeling overwhelmed or unsure about their next steps, we are here to help guide them. We encourage all students and parents to join our Remind (via the Remind app) to receive notifications about important Guidance events and information. Click on the link below to see Remind codes and counselor breakdowns.
  - CounselorRemindCodes.docx
- Stay Informed: Be sure to check emails and the school website regularly for updates on deadlines, events and resources available for your student. Another great way to stay informed is to tune into LCM today via the youtube channel. All episodes of LCM today are posted on this site:

https://youtube.com/@lcmrtoday2814?si=a2dntC7iMdFzD6fO

If you have any questions or concerns throughout the year, please do not hesitate to reach out to us. Thank you for your continued partnership as we help your student prepare for a successful future.

Best wishes for a great school year,

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