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AHS Families.

It has been GREAT having everyone back in the building this week! We wish all of Raptor Nation a Happy New Year and look forward to an amazing second semester full of learning! As always, please reach out to us in the office if we can help in any way as your student begins any new courses or continues to progress through current coursework.

Anderson Proud, Kyle

P.S. Our <u>2024 Senior One Stop Stop</u> is still a work in progress, however we are sharing it now so families of seniors can begin looking ahead.

UPCOMING SCHOOL EVENTS:

- 01/11 Battle of the Bands! (6 pm start)
- 01/15 No School (MLK Jr Day)
- 01/16 FHSD Wellness Spirit Day, 'Wear a Hat' Day
- 01/24 FHSD Parent Academy/CCP Meeting, 6 pm @ NMS
- 02/02 Third Quarter Interim
- 02/08 AHS Parent/Teacher Conferences, Curriculum Fair, 8th Grade Parent Meeting
- 02/16 No School for Students (Teacher PD)
- 02/19 No School (President's Day)
- 02/27 State Funded ACT for All Juniors (Info to Come)
- 03/14 End of Third Quarter
- 04/01-05 No School (Spring Break)
- 04/10-11 ELA II State Graduation Test
- 04/16-17 Algebra I and Geometry State Graduation Test
- 04/18 Biology, US History, US Government State Graduation Test
- 05/6-17 AP Testing
- 05/25 Graduation at Cintas Center (3 pm)

AHS UPDATES:

END OF QUARTER 2

Second Quarter Report Cards will be posted on January 5th, 2024. Information for parents on how to access Report Cards online, via Progressbook, can be found here. If you are not able to access ProgressBook at this time, please email parenthelp@foresthills.edu.

JANUARY CLASS MEETINGS

This week we met with the Senior, Freshmen, and Sophomore classes (we will meet with Juniors on Monday, 1/8/24) to reiterate behavioral expectations and share information about school events taking place during the second semester. This is something that we try to do at the beginning of each semester. To view the slideshow, <u>CLICK HERE</u>.

GREAT OAKS APPLICATION:

The Great Oaks Application is OPEN! Apply here. All 10th graders who are interested in attending one of their Career Tech campuses during their junior/senior year should apply before February 7th. If you have questions, please reach out to your child's counselor.

Want to see the Campus? Attend an upcoming Open House!

Live Oaks
Thursday, February 1 5-7pm
5956 Buckwheat Road Milford, Ohio 45150
Scarlet Oaks
Wednesday, January 24 4-6pm
110 Great Oaks Dr. (at 3254 E. Kemper Road)

FHSD CCP MEETING INFO

The Forest Hills School District is holding its annual College Credit Plus informational night at our next Parent Academy night, **January 24th**, **2024**. The Ohio College Credit Plus (CCP) program is available to all students in grades 7-12 who qualify. The program allows students to take college courses while enrolled in the Forest Hills Schools at no cost to the student and parent/guardian. Please attend this informational meeting to learn more about this opportunity. **When:** Wednesday, January 24th, 2024, 6:35 - 7:35

Where: Nagel Middle School, 1500 Nagel Rd, Cincinnati, OH 45255 in the Cafetorium **Who:** All who are interested in learning more about the College Credit Plus opportunity, with an emphasis on students who have the organization, drive, and ability to take college-level coursework.

Additional Information:

- Anderson and Turpin High School counselors will be on hand to answer questions
- Representatives from local colleges will also be on hand to answer questions





ACADEMIC SUPPORT

Students have a 25 minute advisory period everyday in their schedule. We encourage students to work with teachers during this time if they need help in any classes. Additionally, teachers have regular office hours before school (7:10-7:55) a few days a week to provide assistance to students.

NATIONAL TESTING INFORMATION (ACT/SAT)

Why Take The ACT?

Taking the ACT test can increase your chances of earning new or better scholarships. Colleges use ACT scores to place you in the right classes at the right level. And, your ACT score can help you place out of remedial coursework rather than sitting for additional placement tests on campus — saving time and money!

Why Take The SAT?

Most colleges—including those that are test optional—still accept SAT test scores. Together with high school grades, the SAT can show your potential to succeed in college or a certain career field. Taking the SAT is strong evidence that you're ready for college and have what colleges are looking for. Plus, you can choose to only send your best scores to colleges.

ACT Test Dates	ACT Registration Deadline	SAT Test Dates	SAT Registration Deadline
2/10/24	1/5/24	3/9/24	2/23/24
2/27/24 (State Funded at AHS)	N/A	5/4/24	4/49/24
4/13/24	3/8/24	6/1/24	5/16/24
6/8/24	5/3/24		
7/13/24	6/7/24		

ACT Website
SAT Website

ACT TorchPrep Tutoring

TorchPrep has partnered with Anderson High School for many years to provide ACT® Test Prep to AHS students. With many universities enacting "Test Optional" admissions policies, students and families often believe that the ACT® doesn't matter! BUT, the data consistently shows that students who submit an ACT® score when applying to college have a significant advantage over those that don't. The ACT® matters! Starting January 23, 2024, we will be offering sessions here at AHS. There will be a total of 8 sessions, and they will take place on Tuesdays from 6pm-9pm. They will also be scheduled on Saturdays from 10am-2pm. TorchPrep's ACT® Boot Camp at Anderson High School can give you the edge you need when applying to college and competing for scholarships. Sign up today! If you have any questions, please contact Will Amburgey at willamburgey@foresthills.edu.

SHOUT OUT AN ANDERSON HIGH SCHOOL STAFF MEMBER!

We are blessed to have one of the best staffs to work with day in and day out at Anderson High School. We praise them everyday for all the amazing things they do for our kids and our community! We want to give you a chance to do the same! If you would like to give a shout out to any staff member, please fill out this <u>form</u> so we can celebrate them!

2023-2024 YEARBOOK ORDERING

Yearbooks are \$60, and sales go from now through the end of May. http://buy2024andersonraptorsyearbook.com/

YEARBOOK SENIOR AD ORDER INFO

Interested in ordering an ad in the 2023-2024 yearbook? <u>CLICK HERE</u> for more information about how to do so. To get your message in the yearbook, the application and materials must be submitted by January 26th.

AHS AT A GLANCE

To help any family that may be new to AHS and create a one-stop-shop for common questions even for our returning families, we have created this document: <u>2023-2024 AHS At A Glance</u>.

DISTRICT UPDATES:

Secondary Hearing and Visions Screenings Notice

FHSD is partnering with Xavier University to administer vision screenings for all students in grades seven, nine and eleven this semester. Hearing screenings will be conducted in grades nine and eleven. Anderson High School will have vision/hearing screenings on 1/16/24 and 1/23/24. These screenings are required by law. For more information about the screenings, including how to opt a student out, please click here.

District-Wide Spirit Day: National Hat Day - Jan. 16

Students and staff are invited to wear their favorite hat on Tuesday, January 16! Join us for our first spirit day of the new year and warm up with a fun hat!

Meagan Toothman Youth Clinic - Jan. 15

Come join the Turpin Cheerleaders for a fun day in honor of our beloved coach, Meagan Toothman. Spend the day learning a fun routine that will be performed at the boys basketball halftime vs. ECC rival, Walnut Hills on Friday, January 19th! Proceeds from the camp will be going towards the Meagan Toothman Foundation and supporting various causes around Forest Hills. Open to all students (FHSD and beyond) in grades K-8. Info and registration:

https://www.turpinathleticcamps.com/cheer.cfm

Save the Date: Important Upcoming Events

- <u>Kindergarten Registration Opens</u> Jan. 22, 2024 (24-25 school year)
- FHSD Parent Academy Jan. 24, 2024
- Science Fair & Innovation Expo Jan. 27, 2024
- <u>Preschool Peer Model Applications Open</u> Feb. 1, 2024 (24-25 school year)

Community Events

You can also visit our <u>flyers webpage here</u> that has updates on other fun events and activities, including <u>registration information for Anderson Township Little League</u>. You can also find information about <u>Anderson Fastpitch Softball signups</u>. Click <u>here</u> to register now! T-Ball is available for 6U! Questions? Email <u>andersonfastpitchsoftball@gmail.com</u>

EMERGENCY AND SUPPORT RESOURCES

- If you, your student, or anyone else you know is in a life-threatening health crisis or emergency, call 911.
- If you, your student, or anyone else you know is in emotional distress or experiencing suicidal crisis, call or text 988, available 24/7.
- If you have concerns about threats to student safety, we urge you to call or text the Safer Ohio School Tip Line at 844-SaferOH. This line is staffed 24/7.
- If you are seeking additional resources, we encourage you to start at the links below:
 - o <u>MindPeace</u>
 - o FHSD Family Resource List 22-23

FROM OUR BOOSTER GROUPS:

PTO

SAVE THE DATE!

Senior Parents' Breakfast

Friday, April 26, 2024 9-11 a.m. Dead Low Brewing More details to come about this free PTO event! Happy Holidays from your PTO!

- AFTER-PROM
- FRIENDS OF ANDERSON DRAMA (FAD)

CLICK HERE for information about FAD membership!

• AHS Athletic Boosters

CLICK HERE for information about AHS Athletic Booster Memberships!

• FH BAND BOOSTERS

Booster Home - FH BANDS