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Dear AHS Families,

We had another great week at Anderson High School as the third quarter is starting to hit its stride! Now is a great time to be taking a look at your student's grades and checking in on their progress. I'm sure there are lots of positives to celebrate; and in the event that things are sliding in one area or another, there is still plenty of time in the quarter to right the ship.

One highlight of the week for me was filling in to cover a math class! Prior to becoming an administrator, I taught math in my previous districts. It was a blast helping some of our Algebra I students with solving systems of equations!

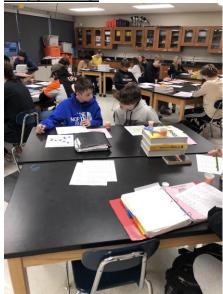
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P.S. Our 'Senior One Stop Shop' document will be shared in this communication in the coming weeks. This document will house important end-of-year information for senior students and their families.

UPCOMING SCHOOL EVENTS:

- 01/16 No School (Dr Martin Luther King Jr Day)
- 02/09 Parent Teacher Conferences
- 02/10 3rd Quarter Interim
- 02/17 No School for Students (Staff Professional Development)
- 02/20 No School (Presidents' Day)
- 02/28 State-Funded ACT for Juniors
- 03/04 Spring Fling
- 03/10 End of 3rd Quarter
- 04/01 04/09 No School (Spring Break)

AROUND AHS:



Biology students playing DNA/RNA Bingo!



Students in Forensics class examined a 'crime scene'!



Congratulations to the 35 FHSD students who were selected to perform in the OMEA District 14 Honor Band!



Had a blast cheering for our bowling teams this week!



Thank you to Mr Granger for presenting to our SALT students this morning!



Sophomores interested in programming at the Great Oaks took a field trip to see the programs in person!

AHS INFO:

• Parents of Students in Grades 9, 10 & 11

Planning for the scheduling process for the 2023-2024 school year is underway. Parent-Teacher Conferences and Curriculum Night will be held at Anderson High School on Thursday, February 9th. Spring Conference Night is an important time to meet with your students' teachers to discuss, not only current academic progress, but also to consider planning for the next school year. We will also offer a Curriculum Fair in our cafeteria where you will be able to review and discuss available academic programs. Please review THIS FLYER for more information.

GREAT LEADERSHIP OPPORTUNITY FOR JUNIORS

Buckeye Boys State - June 11-18, 2023, Miami University, Oxford, OH

Buckeye Girls State - June 11-17, 2023, Bowling Green State University, Bowling Green, OH

Our local American Legion Post 318 will cover the costs for up to 3 girls and 3 boys to attend these programs.

To Apply:

Complete <u>THIS FORM</u> by Monday, January 30, 2023 and turn in to Mr. Kammerer, Asst. Principal. Interviews will be held during February to select attendees from those that apply.

• Great opportunity for current Sophomores: Regional Youth Leadership Program 2023 Regional Youth Leadership (RYL) applications are available. This is a great opportunity for one AHS student to Represent the "A" and be a part of a great leadership and learning experience. Please look at the RYL website and application process. 40-50 juniors from the Cincinnati and Northern Kentucky area participate in monthly activities during the school year. Tuition fee (\$250) is paid by AHS. Transportation to and from the RYL sessions is the responsibility of the student. This program is sponsored by the Northern Kentucky Chamber Foundation.

Information and application information is here: Regional Youth Leadership Information

• 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.

ACT PREP

Attention class of 2024 parents!!! TorchPrep is offering an <u>ACT Bootcamp</u> on campus @ Anderson High School. These classes are targeted at preparing your students for the ACT test they are scheduled to take at Anderson High School on Tuesday, February 28th. Classes will run from January 24th thru February 25th. This is a great opportunity and many students have seen a huge jump in their scores due to participation. <u>Private tutoring</u> is available as well..

• STATE FUNDED ACT

All Juniors will be taking the ACT at Anderson High School on February 28th. The testing will start first thing in the morning and conclude around noon. Students will return to their typical scheduled day at this time. All other students will attend school as normal on this day.

• 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!

YEARBOOK ORDERS

The 2023 Yearbook is on sale NOW! The journalism staff is at work making this book amazing. Remember when you order the book, you will receive an email receipt from the company.

https://shop.yearbookmarket.com/andersonhighschool

• SENIOR AD IN YEARBOOK

You have an opportunity to purchase an ad in the back of the 2023 yearbook for your senior. Please see the information in the link. Contact pampendery@foresthills.edu with any questions.

<u>2023 Senior Ad Information</u> (Mrs Pendery is willing to take late orders for now)

• AHS AT A GLANCE:

We initially created this <u>DOCUMENT</u> to help support students and parents who are new to AHS. We have since found that it is also beneficial for returning students and parents as well, feel free to access at your convenience.



Is your child interested in attending a Great Oaks Campus? If so, you are invited to join their staff for an online LIVE Q&A on January 19 at 7pm to learn more about their high school programs. The program can be accessed at this link.

FROM THE DISTRICT:

• Student Connection Survey

On January 25th during Advisory, AHS students will participate in the voluntary FHSD School Connection survey to help FHSD prepare students for the future by gathering information on topics, such as student engagement, connection to school and student views on their futures. This information will inform our classroom instruction, support services and other programs at school. The survey is voluntary and there are no consequences or penalties if a student does not participate. Learn more about the survey and find the opt-out form in this article.

• REGISTER NOW: FHSD Parent Academy | Jan. 24

Parent Academy night is being held on Tuesday, January 24, 2023 from 6:30-8:00 p.m. at Nagel Middle School! This is a night of learning designed from parent feedback to cover topics that will benefit you and your student(s). A wide variety of topics offer discussions relevant to families with students of all ages. Learn more here.

- Parent Academy Jan. 24 Topics/Schedule LINK
- Parent Academy Jan. 24 Registration <u>LINK</u>

• Kindergarten Registration & Pre-School Applications

Please share this with anyone who may have children getting close to school age! Kindergarten registration for the 2023-2024 school year opens on January 23 at 9 a.m.! More info: https://bit.ly/3UYM[qS]

FHSD Preschool uses an online application and lottery system for Peer Model acceptance into the Preschool Program at Sherwood Elementary School. The lottery will be open for the 2023-24 school year from February 1-26, 2023. More info: http://bit.ly/3Ptw65A

• Student Applications Open NOW for Internships, Shadowing and Workshops!

Here in Forest Hills we are lucky to have partnerships with local businesses and organizations to help our students develop their career interests and talents. Beginning in March, students will be able to take advantage of **after school internship**, **shadowing**, **and workshop opportunities as part of our Community Partnership Program**. This program is not mandatory, but it is of great value for your student to explore. On your student's Anderson in the Know and Counselor Connection pages in Schoology, there is a folder titled "Community Partnerships 2022-2023". It can be found under the "resources" tab within the group. Specific details about partnership opportunities are organized by career field, and there is an application to the program available within the folder. This application must be completed by February 14, 2023. If you or your student has questions, please email our Community Partnership Specialist, Melanie Hartong, at melaniehartong@foresthills.edu.

• AHS Hearing and Vision Screenings

FHSD is partnering with Xavier University to administer vision and hearing screenings for all students in grades 9 and 11. Anderson High School on January 24 and 31. These screenings are required by law. For more information about the screenings, including how to opt a student out, please click here.

• FHSD Village Connections | Jan. 18

Village Connections, an information-sharing and support community, will meet on Wednesday, January 18th at 6:00 p.m. in the Learning Commons at Nagel Middle School. This month's topic is Understanding Section 5 of Your Student's IEP. Knowing how Section 5 goals and activities can support your child's success after high school can help you better prepare for the transition from school to adult life. See all the topics and dates on the Parent Resource Coordinator Page.

• Community Events

Be sure to visit our flyers page <u>HERE</u> that has updates on a variety of fun events and activities, including <u>Pottery Classes at Wilson</u>, an upcoming <u>"Earth Care Lecture Series"</u> and the <u>Just Off Broadway IMPACT performance</u>! You can find local restaurants partnering on school fundraisers by visiting the Dine & Donate calendar <u>HERE</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:

MindPeace FHSD Family Resource List 22-23

FROM OUR BOOSTER GROUPS:

PTO

AHS PTO Website

Latest PTO Newsletter

• 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