### 01.12.24

AHS Families.

This morning at Anderson we hosted the AHS Achievers' Breakfast, celebrating students with steller GPAs and students who made tremendous progress with their grades! We have a rock star team of teachers that works hard to provide this opportunity for our students and this morning did not disappoint! The winners from last night's Battle of the Bands even performed in front of their peers- what a wonderful morning!

Have a great holiday weekend!

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:**

- 01/15 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)
- 03/15 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:**

### **GREAT OAKS APPLICATION:**

The Great Oaks Application is OPEN! Apply <a href="here">here</a>. 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

### SCHEDULING UPDATE FOR THE 2024-2025 SCHOOL YEAR

Believe it or not, we are starting our scheduling process for the 2024-2025 school year in a few short weeks. Please take a minute to review this <u>document</u> with your students and reach out at any time with additional 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
2/27/24 (State Funded at AHS)	N/A	3/9/24	2/23/24
4/13/24	3/8/24	5/4/24	4/49/24
6/8/24	5/3/24	6/1/24	5/16/24
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. <a href="http://buy2024andersonraptorsyearbook.com/">http://buy2024andersonraptorsyearbook.com/</a>

### 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:**

## **REGISTER NOW for FHSD Parent Academy on Jan. 24**

The next Parent Academy session will be held on Wednesday, Jan. 24 from 6:30-8 p.m. at Nagel Middle School! Thanks to generous support from the <u>Forest Hills Foundation for Education</u>, we are able to offer light food and childcare for families interested in attending. You can find a <u>list of sessions/topics and a link to register for the event here</u>. Some highlights include:

- **Dr. Devorah Heitner Growing Up In Public:** Dr. Heitner will offer practical, timely, non-iudgmental advice about technology and parenting in the digital age.
- *Kerry Brown Parenting Through Transitions and Big Emotions:* This session from the Beech Acres Parent Center will provide helpful tips and tools to find joy in parenting and lighten the load of every day challenges both big and small. Join us to learn effective strategies to ease these life changes.
- College Credit Plus Information Session
- Mental Wellness Resources for People of All Ages (Anderson Mental Health Collaborative)
- Understanding College Affordability
- Village Connections: <u>Ask the Experts from Hamilton County Department of Developmental Disabilities</u>

# In the News: Superintendent Hook Discusses School Funding

With the start of a new calendar year, WCPO interviewed Superintendent Larry Hook about the current school funding system in Ohio. Mr. Hook acknowledged the major steps forward in recent years and points to areas where state lawmakers should look to make changes moving forward. Watch the story here!

## <u>District-Wide Spirit Day: National Hat Day - Jan. 16</u>

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!

## **Community Events**

You can also visit our <u>flyers webpage here</u> that has updates on other fun events and activities, including the following items:

- <u>UC DAAP Saturday Art Program (Grades K-12)</u>
- Anderson Middies Girls Lacrosse Registration
- Anderson Township Little League Registration
- Anderson Fastpitch Softball Registration

# **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 and 1/23. These screenings are required by law. For more information about the screenings, including how to opt a student out, please click here.

## **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
  - o FHSD Family Resource List 22-23

### **FROM OUR BOOSTER GROUPS:**

PTO

### Can you volunteer on Jan. 16 or Jan. 23?

Adult volunteers are needed to help with the annual vision and hearing screenings.! Parents will be getting students lined up and the professionals will be doing the screenings.

If you have time on Tuesday, January 16 or Tuesday, January 23 to volunteer a few hours, <u>please sign up here</u>.

# PTO Meeting - January 22

Please come to the PTO Meeting on Monday, Jan. 22.

7 p.m. in the Media Center.

Hear what's happening around AHS and how you can be involved.

- 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**