

02.03.23

Dear AHS Families,

I have a really fun job! Everyday, I have the privilege of working with incredible students and professionals. One of my favorite things to do is walk around the cafeteria during lunch periods and interact with students because it is a low-stress, low-stakes environment for them.

It always amuses me what our students come up with! Sometimes they ask me for help on their math homework, other times they request that a certain lunch item be featured more frequently on the menu (for what it's worth, I don't actually have a say in that). Sometimes we find ourselves debating certain topics like who the best team in the NBA is or what is the greatest movie of all time. My heart leads my head on both topics- my grandfather used to take me to Indiana Pacers games when I was a kid and my brothers and I used to watch Ghostbusters on repeat! Earlier this week, one table wanted to rank the best fried chicken on Beechmont- that one got a little passionate! I let them know that I spend all weekend doing hands-on research and I would get back to them with a full report.

I write this to you as a way to say thank you for sharing your amazing children with us!

Anderson Proud,
Kyle

P.S. Our [‘Senior One Stop Shop’](#) is still very much a work in progress; however, we want to communicate important information as it becomes available to us. Senior families can check this document periodically to best stay informed.

UPCOMING SCHOOL EVENTS:

- **02/03 - 3rd Quarter Interim**
- **02/09 - Parent Teacher Conferences & Curriculum Fair (info below)**
- **02/10 - 2023-2024 Scheduling Recommendation Day (grades 9-11)**
- **02/17 - No School for Students (Staff Professional Development)**
- **02/20 - No School (Presidents' Day)**
- **02/28 - State-Funded ACT for Juniors (Info Below)**
- **03/04 - Spring Fling**
- **03/10 - End of 3rd Quarter**
- **04/01 - 04/09 - No School (Spring Break)**

AROUND AHS:



AP Spanish students talking with their virtual 'Pen Pals' in Colombia!



Western Hills Exchange Club's Student of the Month, Simon Pazzo!



Biology students working on their Pedigree Group Challenge!



Pre-Calculus students engaged in learning on teacher 'Open Door Day'



Earning Excellent and Superior ratings comes from hours and hours of practice!



Showing off the work of our Sculpture and Ceramics students!



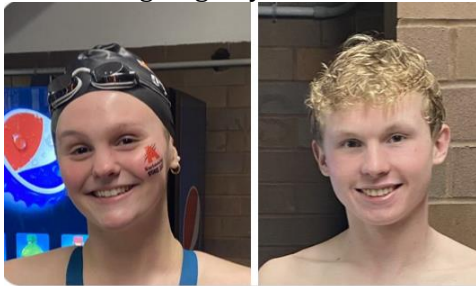
Alex Dorko, Brodey Berg, and Josie Griesser at the West Point Leadership Conference!



The In-School Wrestling Dual!



We took time to celebrate two outstanding Raptors going on to play football at the next level on National Signing Day!



Congrats to AHS Swimming for representing well at the ECC Meet!



Wrestling brought home some hardware this past weekend!



Girls Basketball earned a win on Senior Night this week!

AHS INFO:

- **Progress Book/Schoology**

Friday, February 3rd marks the halfway point for the third quarter marking period. This is a good time to check your child's academic progress on Progress Book. As always, if you have concerns or questions regarding your son/daughter's grades, please reach out to their teacher for information and possible ways to support your child's academic success from home.

- **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. [ADDITIONAL SCHEDULING INFORMATION](#)

- **Parent-Teacher Conferences will be held on Thursday, February 9, 2023**

You may begin signing up for conferences now. Instructions may be found [HERE](#).

- **National Youth Science Camp**

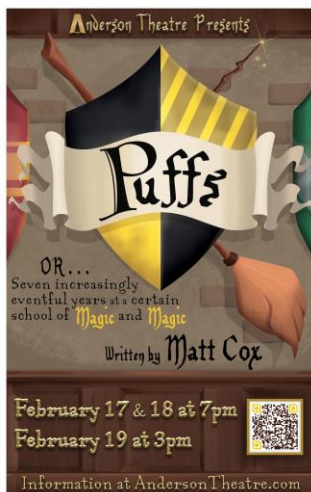
Does your student have a passion for STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, Mathematics)? Do they aspire to be a cutting-edge leader of a STEAM organization? Perhaps the National Youth Science Camp is for them. Hosted by the National Youth Science Academy, this is THE preeminent STEAM experience in the world. Please see the link below for more information.

<https://www.nysacademy.org/programs/nyscamp/>

- **AHS Counseling Information - Spring 2023**

The Counseling Department has created a [one-stop location](#) with important dates and information for this semester. You will find answers to frequently asked questions regarding scheduling, testing, scholarships, CCP, and career education. The Spring 2023 Information document can be accessed at [this link](#), and it can be found on the AHS Counseling page on foresthills.edu, and in the signature of all emails from AHS Counselors.

- **COME SEE PUFFS!**



Tickets can be ordered online for the general public. Order ahead of time for special student/senior pricing. <https://www.showtix4u.com/event-details/69467>

- **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.

- **STATE FUNDED ACT**

All Juniors will be taking the ACT at Anderson High School on February 28th. This includes students who attend the Oaks and students who are enrolled in CCP courses. 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!!!!**

Thank you to those who have taken the time to complete a shout out for our staff. They are truly grateful and we love celebrating them! 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 [form](#) 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.

[2023 Senior Ad Information](#) (Mrs Pendery is willing to take late orders for now)

- **AHS AT A GLANCE:**

We initially created this [DOCUMENT](#) 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.

- **GREAT OAKS SPOTLIGHT**

FROM THE DISTRICT:

- **Community Education Program on Adolescent Depression**

On Sunday, February 5, 2023 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center, 1N5 and MindPeace are hosting a family education day for adolescents and young adults living with depression. During this event, depression experts will present on a range of topics relevant to adolescents and young adults. This is not a district-sponsored event, but we wanted to share this resource with families. MORE INFO: <http://bit.ly/3Dwb8hN>

- **College Credit Plus Info Meeting | Feb. 28**

Mark your calendars: Forest Hills will hold its annual meeting on February 28 at 6:00 p.m. at Turpin High School to discuss the CCP program and provide all necessary paperwork and Intent to Enroll forms. **This is considered a mandatory meeting for both parents and students who are considering enrolling in the CCP program.** College Reps from CCP partner colleges will be in attendance to talk about their specific schools.

If you wish to get preliminary information specific to UC's CCP program, you may attend their virtual meeting on February 8 from 6:00-7:00. You may register [HERE](#). Note, this does not take the place of the Forest Hills meeting, but can supplement it.

- **DEADLINE APPROACHING for Student Internships, Shadowing and Workshops**

Applications are due by February 14, 2023 for students interested in after school internship, shadowing and workshop opportunities from FHSD's Community Partnership Program! This program is not mandatory, but could be a great option to consider. More information can be found on your student's Schoology account under "Community Partnerships 2022-2023" in the resources tab within their school group. If you or your student has questions, please email our Community Partnership Specialist, Melanie Hartong, at melaniehartong@foresthills.edu.

- **Course Name Change: Financial Literacy**

Beginning with the 2023-2024 school year, our Personal Finance course will be renamed "Financial Literacy." This change does not alter the actual content of the course, but renaming the course helps us simplify and align our course titles with the Ohio Department of Education (ODE) graduation requirements. For more information from ODE as it relates to this graduation requirement, please [click here](#).

- **Kindness Spirit Day | February 15**

FHSD is hosting a district-wide spirit day on Wednesday, February 15, 2023 to encourage kind words and acts! Students, staff and families are encouraged to wear shirts with kind messages on them! Share photos with the hashtag #FHSDWellness and tag @FHSchools on Twitter!

- **Kindergarten Registration and Preschool Applications are OPEN NOW**

If you or someone you know has children nearing school age, please share this information! Registration and peer model applications are open for the 2023-2024 school year. FHSD Preschool will accept peer model applications from February 1-26, 2023, after which a lottery system will determine placement. MORE INFO: <https://bit.ly/3kTQYaR>

- **Support the FHSD Preschool Program**

Did you know FHSD's entire preschool program is now housed at Sherwood Elementary? On Feb. 9 from 4-8 p.m., Altitude Trampoline Park and Marco's Pizza are partnering with the Sherwood PTO on a [fundraiser dedicated to the FHSD Preschool Program](#)! The money raised will be used to support ongoing PTO efforts including teacher appreciation, scholastic wish lists and other items, all of which will directly benefit the DISTRICT-WIDE preschool program.

Support FHSD Preschool
A Sherwood Fundraiser with
Altitude Trampoline Park & Marco's Pizza

All funds raised will be used by Sherwood PTO to DIRECTLY benefit FHSD Preschool students and staff through activities like scholastic wish lists, teacher appreciation and more!

Thursday February 9th 4-8PM

How can you help?

Come Jump and Eat Pizza!
Altitude & Marco's will donate 20% of proceeds of jump passes and pizza sales (in Altitude during the event, as well as carryout or delivery from the Marco's on 5th Mile)

Order Pizza! Carryout or Delivery

Can't go? Already have a membership? Not Hungry? You can send a donation directly to Sherwood PTO. Thank you for your support!

Questions? Email: Sherwoodarcherspto@gmail.com
Altitude: Trampoline Park 7522 Beechmont Ave Cincinnati, OH 45230
Marco's Pizza: 7733 Five Mile Rd. Cincinnati, OH 45230
Call or Visit to Order & Mention FHSD Preschool (513) 474-3400

- **Support Student Travel to Spain & Portugal 2023**

A group of Forest Hills School District students and teachers will be traveling to Spain and Portugal in the spring of 2023 to learn more about the history and culture of the region! Participating families are requesting support through a virtual fundraiser intended to help offset the cost of the trip as well as other expenses incurred during traveling including some snacks, drinks, lunches and more. This is not a district-organized fundraiser, but you can view the flyer [here](#).

- **EMERGENCY AND SUPPORT SERVICES**

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

If you signed up to donate an item for next week's Treat Trolley for the staff, please turn it in to the front office by Tuesday, Jan. 31. Thank you!

— There's still a few items left on the list, if you want to donate. [click here to sign up](#)

The PTO is helping the school nurse with the vision and hearing screenings. We are still in need of a volunteer the afternoon of Jan. 31.

— If you can help, please [click here to volunteer](#)

- **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](#)