

**02.04.22**

Dear AHS Families,

First and foremost, I hope everyone has been able to stay warm and safe during this ice/snow storm! FYI- tonight's events and tomorrow's cheer and dance competition have been canceled.

Outside of the weather, there's plenty of excitement in the air as the Bengals have advanced to the Super Bowl! The Student Athlete Leadership Team (SALT) is assisting us with an impromptu spirit week next week. We encourage everyone interested to participate!

Mon-Dey: "Money Mac" Day- wear Evan McPherson gear and/or your favorite 'kicks'

Tues-Dey: Joey Brrrr-OH Day- wear Burrow gear and/or sunglasses and bling

Wednes-Dey: Orange Out- wear orange

Thurs-Dey: Black Out- wear black

Fri-Dey: Show Your Stripes- wear Bengals gear from head to toe

Additionally, we have a lot of important and exciting events coming up, please see the "Upcoming School Events" below and mark your calendars accordingly.

Anderson Proud,

Kyle

P.S. Some clarifying info on dates that have already been communicated (reminders never hurt, though)- February 18th is a regular school day. March 4th is a teacher professional development day. Graduation is May 28th (Saturday). For the most up to date school calendar, [CLICK HERE](#)

**UPCOMING SCHOOL EVENTS:**

- **02/04/22 - 3rd Quarter Interim**
- **02/10/22 - Parent Teacher Conferences and Curriculum Night (info below)**
- **03/01/22 - State Funded ACT for All Juniors (class of 2023)**
- **03/01/22 - 6 PM College Credit Plus Informational Session ([CLICK HERE FOR DETAILS](#))**
- **03/01/22 - 7 PM Community Partnership Kick-Off (Experienceships)**
- **03/05/22 - Spring Fling Dance (Masquerade Theme)**
- **03/11/22 - End of 3rd Quarter**
- **03/12/22 - Raptor Rally Athletics Boosters Fundraiser**
- **05/14/22 - Junior/Senior Prom and After-Prom (info to come)**
- **05/28/22 - Graduation**

**AROUND AHS:**



Our upperclassmen did a great job bringing the content to life at the AHS Electives Fair!



Boys basketball had a GREAT win on Tuesday!



We took a moment to celebrate our Science and Innovation Expo winners!



Our Visual Arts department continues to showcase student artwork around the building!



Theater students have been hard at work getting ready for Rot n' Grub! (details below)

### **FROM THE DISTRICT:**

- **FHSD is Hiring Substitute Teachers:**

In response to the national substitute teacher shortage, FHSD is taking proactive measures to ensure our classrooms are covered by qualified individuals who are compensated at a competitive rate. In November, our Board of Education approved an increase in the pay scale for substitutes in the district (Daily Sub - \$105/day; Building Sub - \$125/day; Long-Term Sub - \$130/day). In addition, the Board is taking advantage of a provision included in Senate Bill 1, passed recently by Governor DeWine, that temporarily makes it possible for individuals with a high school diploma to apply to work as a substitute.

We are currently seeking interested and qualified candidates to work in Forest Hills as a substitute. If you (or someone you know) are interested, please follow the instructions below to begin the process to become a substitute teacher in the Forest Hills School District:

1. Go to [www.subsolutions.org](http://www.subsolutions.org)
2. Click the New Sub tab
3. Click the Teacher option
4. Click the red apply button to complete the application to get the process started
5. Sub Solutions will be in contact with you in the Recruit and Hire system to schedule orientation and a background check. Be sure to log in to check the status and read any communication necessary.

If you have questions please reach out to Sub Solutions at 513-674-4364 or you may email them at [substitute@hcesc.org](mailto:substitute@hcesc.org)

- The Forest Hills School District is inviting motivated parents of current high school students to become involved in supporting and guiding the direction of community connections in relationship to the Experienceship Program. The program began with support from the Forest Hills Foundation and grew with the intent of promoting and providing community-based learning experiences outside of the school day. Within the experiences, students are provided with career exploration scenarios that help support their future decision-making post-graduation. The program has served over 350 students during the past 18 months and is fully supported by community partners (E.g: Mercy Hospital, FCC, and Tata Technologies) who are committed to enriching and providing career exploration learning opportunities. As we begin 2022, mitigate thru Covid, support new Ohio graduation requirements, it is essential to involve our parents in the work of future planning and share current efforts to enrich and expand the opportunities for our future students. Donna Lauver, part-time Community Partnership Advisory, is looking forward to working with parent volunteers and is actively seeking participants who would be willing to provide feedback and help create future planning for the Experienceship Program. The first meeting is scheduled for February 3, 2022, at FHSD Central Office, 7946 Beechmont Avenue, Cincinnati, Ohio, 45255  
The session is scheduled from 6:30 p.m.- 8:00 p.m. Please use the QR code or link to register for the event.

[Parent Advisory Board Registration](#)



- **VILLAGE CONNECTIONS- A FHSD Special Education Community**  
**Village Connections**, an information sharing and support community, meets on the 2nd Wednesday of each month from 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. in the Learning Commons at Nagel Middle School. Families are sharing experiences and advice, finding resources, and offering the emotional support we all need to raise our children with special needs. Please join us on February 9th when our topic is "Summer Activities". We will be discussing summer camp opportunities for children with special needs as well as possible funding options.
- **Mental Health Resources**  
**Teen Relationships Can Be Challenging...**  
Our teens can often be troubled by the challenges of navigating the ups and downs of friendships and relationships. Some of these challenges include arguments with friends or changes in relationship status. Changes in behaviors and/or moods could indicate distress. Especially during these winter months, we encourage you to continue to engage in important conversations with your child regarding their friendships and relationships. If you, your student, or anyone else you know is in a **life-threatening mental health crisis, call 911.**  
Please also be aware of **suicide hotline contact information: Phone - 1-800-273-TALK**  
If your student is experiencing a **non-life threatening mental health crisis** and you need direction on next steps to stay safe, we urge you to **call the Psychiatric Intake Response Center (PIRC) at Cincinnati Children's Hospital. The PIRC line is 513.636.4124.** This line is staffed 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

**Text - Text "NAMI" to 741-741 for access to 24/7 mental health crisis counseling via text.**

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 hours a day, 7 days a week. If you are seeking additional resources, we encourage you to start at the links below:

[MindPeace](#)

[Forest Hills Community Resource List](#)

**FROM THE FOREST HILLS FOUNDATION FOR EDUCATION:**

**FROM 9UNITED:**

**HONOR ROLL- 2ND QUARTER:**

Please take a moment to view our first quarter honor roll student roster (please note honor roll is based on quarter grades and therefore is reflective of unweighted GPA): [See the Honor Roll Here](#)

**PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCES:**

Parent-Teacher Conferences will be held on February 10th from 4:00pm-7:30pm

Please see [THIS IMPORTANT INFORMATION](#) regarding conference night. The website for scheduling teacher conferences will be available beginning on Thursday, February 3rd.

**STUDENT SCHEDULING INFORMATION FOR 2022-2023 SCHOOL YEAR:**

Our schedule process for the 2022-2023 school year is underway. This past week our students participated in a Curriculum Fair to learn about Elective and Advanced Placement course options. Next week we will roll out the rest of our schedule procedures. Please review this letter for detailed information. [SCHEDULING INFO FOR PARENTS](#)

**STUDENT FEES REMINDER:**

This is a courtesy reminder that your student may have fees that are unpaid. Please note that all AP Exam fees must be paid by March 15, 2022. We are unable to release final report cards, diplomas and transcripts until all financial obligations are met. If your student is on a special plan with your school please disregard this notice. The preferred method of payment is by credit card via [SPSEZPay](#). Payments may also be made by cash or money order, payable to AHS. If you have questions regarding any outstanding fees, please contact Eileen Birk at [eileenbirk@foresthills.edu](mailto:eileenbirk@foresthills.edu).

**For Sophomore and Junior Parents**

The FHSD Experienceship Program Kick Off for the 22-23 school year will be held March 1st at Anderson High School.

Please complete [THIS FORM](#) if you and your student plans to attend.

**Parents of Junior Students - Buckeye Boys and Buckeye Girls State**

This information was shared this week with our Juniors. This is a great leadership opportunity for any Junior interested in civics, government and political science.

[Buckeye Boys State](#) - June 12-19, 2022, Miami University, Oxford, OH

[Buckeye Girls State](#) - June 12-18, 2022, University of Mt. Union, Alliance, 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:**

If you are interested in taking part in this great leadership program please complete [THIS FORM](#) by Friday, February 11, 2022. Interviews will be held during February/March to select attendees from those that apply.

**Scheduling Information for the 2022-2023 School Year:**

For parents of current 9th -11th grade students, the scheduling process is about to begin. Please see [THIS FLYER](#) for some initial information regarding upcoming scheduling events, and keep posted here for more detailed instructions to be included later. Thanks!

Freshman through Juniors will also have a chance to experience a curriculum fair during their Advisories on February 2nd through February 4th. Ask them about what they saw and what they are interested in for their future years at AHS!

**INFORMATION ABOUT NCAA ELIGIBILITY:**

The NCAA recently shared helpful resources for students considering playing their sport at the next level, and their families. If interested, view [THIS 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.

**GREAT OAKS SPOTLIGHT:**

The priority application deadline for Great Oaks for the 2022-2023 school year is February 8th! Please make sure to reach out to your child's counselor if you have any questions regarding Great Oaks and the application process!

**ACT Bootcamp:**

The Class of 2023 will be taking the State Funded ACT @ AHS on March 1st. This will be during the typical school day. If interested in an [ACT Boot Camp](#) prior to this assessment, please check out this opportunity from [Torchprep](#).

**Upcoming ACT:**

The Ohio Department of Education is funding the administration of the ACT for all Juniors in the state. Anderson High School will be administering the ACT to all Juniors on March 1, 2022.

- Parents and students do not need to register for the exam
- The testing session will begin at 8:00 am and is estimated to end by 12:15 pm.
- Juniors will be expected to report to their testing location no later than 8am.
- Due to the importance of the ACT, and time required for testing, all Juniors will be dismissed for the day after completion of the exam. If students are unable to find transportation they may report to their typical classes for the remainder of the day.
- Lunch will be provided for any Junior at 12:37.

Please contact your student's counselor if you have any questions.

Sample ACT test resources are available on the Ohio Department of Education website and at the following link.

- [ACT Practice Test and Answer Key](#)

**PARKING:**

Students in Good Standing are eligible to purchase parking passes for the school year. This means students must have all their credits. If you would like to purchase a parking pass or have a question about student parking, please contact Mrs Stanyard, [emilystanyard@foresthills.edu](mailto:emilystanyard@foresthills.edu).



*We are getting complaints from neighboring businesses about student parking on their property. Please be aware that they plan to start towing.*

### **SCHOOL DROP-OFF AND PICK-UP INFORMATION:**



If you are dropping off your student before school or picking up after school, this should happen in our south lot according to the diagram above. Pulling forward around the loop allows for better traffic flow on Forest Road.

**There should be no pick-up or drop-off occurring in the parking lots of our neighboring businesses or our northern lot (Lot E).**

### **PARENT SPOTLIGHT:**

#### **FROM THE PTO:**

- Anderson's PTO encourages students to submit their nominations for the Good Egg Award. This award, given monthly to a staff member at Anderson, is selected solely on the nominations from students. Nominations are accepted from the 1st day of school to April 1 and can be submitted at <https://bit.ly/AHS-GoodEgg>. Don't limit your nominations to just teachers - we'd love to recognize coaches who teach at Anderson, counselors, our health office team, custodians, food service staff, etc. - anyone who makes a difference in your day at Anderson High School! **October's Good Egg:** Allison Perry. **November Good Egg:** Analise Petsche. **PTO's Good Egg recipient for January is Mr. Bill Pitts.**
- Our next AHS PTO meeting will take place on **Monday, Feb. 7<sup>th</sup>** from 7-8 pm in the learning commons. All are welcome-please email [andersonhspto@gmail.com](mailto:andersonhspto@gmail.com) with any questions.
- In Jan. the PTO put together a TREAT TROLLEY for all AHS staff members. The PTO hopes to pull out the trolley twice a month. The PTO will cover the costs of the first few rounds, but we hope with a little extra help from AHS family members we can continue this fun treat for the rest of the school year. If you would like to make a donation please use the following link. [Cognito Forms](#)
- PTO membership link [Cognito Forms](#)
- Spring Fling Volunteer link [Anderson Volunteers: Spring Fling Volunteers 2020 \(signupgenius.com\)](#)

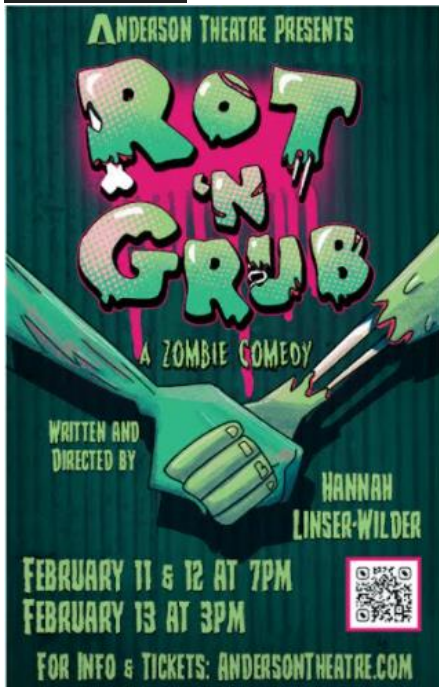


## Spring Fling Volunteers 2020

Thanks so much for helping out with the Spring Fling! We need volunteers during the dance for food/drink serving and a little heavy lifting help unloading the DJ's equipment. You won't be in charge of chaperoning the actual dance but it is so much fun to catch quick glimpses of the kids all dressed up and having a blast! Thank you for helping make this night possible for all of Anderson's fantastic students!!!

[www.signupgenius.com](http://www.signupgenius.com)

### ROT n' GRUB:



### YEARBOOK:

- The link to purchase the 2022 yearbook is open! Buy your 2022 yearbook, *Tradition Continues!* For any questions please email [pampendery@foresthills.edu](mailto:pampendery@foresthills.edu)  
<https://shop.yearbookmarket.com/andersonhighschool>
- Senior parents! The link provided gives you the opportunity to purchase a senior ad in the back of the yearbook. For any questions please email [pampendery@foresthills.edu](mailto:pampendery@foresthills.edu)  
<http://bit.ly/36jWXIw>
- Senior parents: Senior baby ads are due at the end of January. We will keep the window open for a week. Please get your ads in. [Senior baby ad](#)



**FROM THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION- GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS:**

Students recently received graduation progress letters in Advisory. If interested, please view the links for the graduation requirements by class required by ODE:

[CLASS OF 2022 GRAD REQUIREMENTS](#)

[CLASS OF 2023 AND BEYOND GRAD REQUIREMENTS](#)

Questions? Contact Mrs Bamber, Assistant Principal of Assessment and Accountability