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Dear AHS Families,

Reflecting back on the time since last week's *Family Update*, I feel blessed to have been able to experience several culminating moments of hard work, true labors of love, for our students. In the AHS arts world, Rot n' Grub was absolutely hilarious and heartfelt- hat's off to the cast and crew! Also, our Photography students published the most recent issue of [Filter](#)- I am so impressed with the creativity and talent of our young artists! On the athletics side of things, we're deep into the "Senior Day" and post-season portion of winter sports- last night's 'King of the Hill' victory for our wrestling team was certainly a highlight! And in the academics realm, students in grades 9th - 11th have been busy working with their teachers to decide what courses to take next year.

Exciting times as we enter the 'home stretch' of the third quarter!

Anderson Proud,
Kyle

P.S. We will continue to update the [Senior Class of 2022 'One-Stop-Shop'](#) document as we approach the end of the school year as a means to make tracking the information needed for seniors and their parents a little easier. Some important info has been added to the document to get things started.

UPCOMING SCHOOL EVENTS:

- **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, must be a Student in Good Standing to attend)**
- **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)**
- **05/23/22 - Senior Last Day**
- **05/28/22 - Graduation, 3 PM at Cintas Center, Xavier University (more info to come soon)**

AROUND AHS:



The Forest Hills Marching Arts are exploring New Orleans' rich music history this weekend!



HUGE shoutout to our Gymnastics Team for coming in 2nd place at the City Championships!



Congratulations to junior Maclain Morency for earning his 100th victory this week!



AHS HOPE Squad members continue Wednesday Random Acts of Kindness!



Siya and Sur Patel presented their Science Fair project to the FHSD Board of Education!

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.

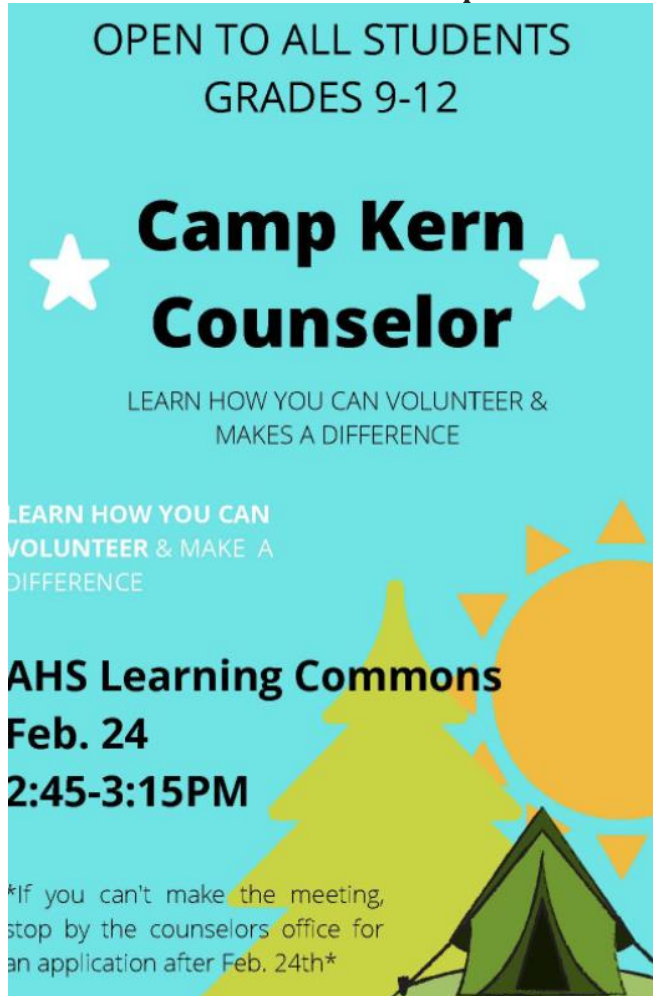
We are currently seeking interested and qualified candidates to work in Forest Hills as a substitute. If you (or someone you know) are interested, please follow the instructions below to begin the process to become a substitute teacher in the Forest Hills School District:

1. Go to www.subsolutions.org
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

- **VILLAGE CONNECTIONS- A FHSD Special Education Community**

A poster for Camp Kern Counselor. The background is light blue with a stylized sun and a green tent. The text is as follows:

OPEN TO ALL STUDENTS
GRADES 9-12

**Camp Kern
Counselor**

LEARN HOW YOU CAN VOLUNTEER &
MAKES A DIFFERENCE

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**AHS Learning Commons
Feb. 24
2:45-3:15PM**

*If you can't make the meeting,
stop by the counselors office for
an application after Feb. 24th*

- **SUMMER SCHOOL INFO:**
[CLICK HERE](#) for information about summer school.

- **Mental Health Resources:**

Did you know?

Stress is the body's reaction due to pressure from an event, situation, or thoughts. Common stressors for students can include but are not limited to challenges with relationships, academics, family discord, or significant life changes. Students may struggle with verbalizing their stressors and instead might demonstrate irritability, changes in behavior, difficulty sleeping/sleeping too much, neglecting responsibilities, or showing signs of physical illness. To help students with stress levels it's important to help them utilize different management techniques. Stress management can look different for everyone, but encouraging students to get enough rest, exercise, make time for fun, and communicate about their needs can help set them up for success.

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:

STUDENT SCHEDULING INFORMATION:

Here is a [SCHEDULING ONE STOP SHOP](#) document with copies of student information video and other pertinent resources.

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.

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 in Titus Auditorium.

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

FHSD classes of 2023 and 2024



**XPERIENCESHIP
KICKOFF**

Join the opportunity to design your future.
Come and meet FHSD community partners!



RSVP Here

March 1st, 7-9pm
Anderson High School
Auditorium



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:

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.

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: (Amy Miller)

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. **January's Good Egg:** Bill Pitts.
- 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 2022](#)

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

- The Masquerade Ball is just around the corner! Plans are well underway for the most dramatic Spring Fling yet. Mark your calendars for March 5th and start making your plans! A quick clarification about masks - themed eye masks are absolutely fine (and encouraged) but full face masks (Halloween style) are not allowed.
It is a tradition to have a Spirit Week leading up to the dance and these are the student nominated themes for this year. Pick your favorites! Winning Spirit Day themes will be announced next week. https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1mr6m6h_pULo4apLYYc0-laT7nMGypmOw70BZxovdghw/edit#settings

FROM THE AHS ATHLETIC BOOSTERS:

Celebrate March Madness with Anderson Athletic Boosters!

Raptor Rally is March 12th at Ivy Hills! The action of March Madness, raffles, auctions, food, drinks & a great night to show your support for Anderson Raptors students, athletes and teams!

Get tickets at

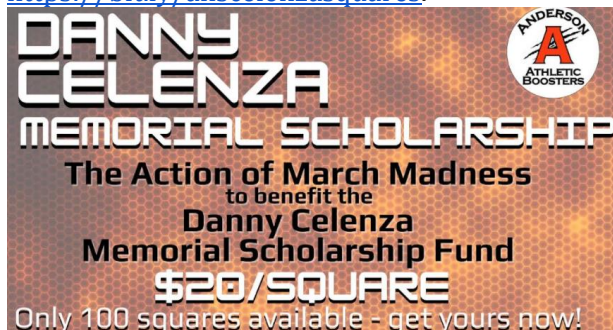
<https://bit.ly/AHSrallytickets>. Coaches can contact Boosters for their discount code.



If you are interested in donor or sponsor opportunities, email andersonathleticboosters@gmail.com.

In 2020, Boosters established the **Danny Celenza Memorial Scholarship** as a way to honor the legacy of Coach Celenza and to celebrate students who show the leadership, integrity, respect and sense of community that Coach Celenza exemplified.

Claim your NCAA squares now to help grow the scholarship fund! More details/purchase at <https://bit.ly/ahscelenzasquares>.



FROM FAD:

EAT WINGS. RAISE FUNDS.

On the day listed below, present this ticket to your server and Buffalo Wild Wings® will donate 10%* of your total bill (not including tax, gratuity or promotional discounts) to our organization.

Buffalo Wild Wings strives to support our community and the organizations and sports teams within it. Together we can make a positive impact and help keep our community working and playing together.

(Show this ticket to your server on the date & time listed below.)

FAD (FRIENDS OF ANDERSON DRAMA)
February 23, 2022 • 11:00 AM - 11:30 PM
7741 Beechmont Ave. • Cincinnati, OH • 513-231-1424

*The 10% donation is contingent on the organization raising at least \$300 of pre-tax sales during the promotion (subject to change in our discretion). Other restrictions may apply. Please see participating location for details. ©2022 Buffalo Wild Wings, Inc.

YEARBOOK:

- The link to purchase the 2022 yearbook is open! Buy your 2022 yearbook, *Tradition Continues!* For any questions please email 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 <http://bit.ly/36jWXjw>
- 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