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AHS Families,

Even though it was a short week, I am thrilled to share that this past week at school has been exceptionally positive and productive. We have had class meetings, free ACT prep before school for our juniors as they prepare for next week's state funded ACT, and many other awesome things! Let's continue to celebrate these positives and build upon them as we move forward. Thank you for your continued support and partnership in your child's education!

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:

- 02/27 State Funded ACT for All Juniors (Info Below)
- 02/28 FHSD Parent Academy
- 03/04 & 03/05 Hilinski's Hope Student Meetings
- 03/04 Hilinski's Hope Community Event
- 03/15 End of Third Quarter (Normal School Day)
- 03/18-19 No School for Students (Teacher PD)
- 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
- 05/04 Prom and After Prom
- 05/06-17 AP Testing
- 05/25 Graduation at Cintas Center (3 pm)

AHS UPDATES:

COLLEGE CREDIT PLUS (CCP) NOTICE

In order to be eligible to participate in College Credit Plus, a student and the student's guardian must attend the district's CCP presentation. While this year's meeting already occurred, our make up CCP meeting is **Tuesday February 27th at 6:30** in Titus Auditorium at AHS. That is the last CCP meeting that the district is offering this year.

STATE FUNDED ACT

All Juniors will be taking the ACT at Anderson High School on February 27th. This includes students who attend the Oaks and students who are enrolled in CCP courses. Students must be in their testing location no later than 8AM. Juniors can begin to arrive at their testing location at 7:30AM. The testing will start first thing in the morning and conclude around noon. Junior students will be dismissed after testing. There will be no bussing until the normal building dismissal time. All Juniors who stay after testing has concluded, will follow their normal daily schedule. All other students will attend school as normal on this day. Makeup testing will be communicated to those students who are not present on the 27th.

SCHOOL FEES

Keep your eye out for an email from Payschools Central reminding parents that school fees are due! For information on how to pay fees or for an explanation of school fees, click <u>here</u>.

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

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.

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 form so we can celebrate them!

2023-2024 YEARBOOK ORDERING

Yearbooks are \$60, and sales go from now through the end of May. http://buy2024andersonraptorsyearbook.com/

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>.

FROM OUR BOOSTER GROUPS:

PTO

Contribute to Anderson's Staff Appreciation Week

The PTOs at all schools in Forest Hills will be celebrating the staff members the week of March 18.

<u>Click here</u> to purchase an item from the Amazon AHS Staff Appreciation Week Wish List (shipped directly to chairperson).

- or -

Make a donation via Venmo for Staff Appreciation Week @Anderson-PTO-1

AFTER-PROM

MAY 4th AFTER PROM -- planning is well underway! DONATE TODAY!

Juniors & Seniors (and their guests) will have an unforgettable night through a Vegas-themed After Prom experience on May 4th! You DO NOT have to attend Prom to attend After Prom. We anticipate 500 students spending their early morning post-prom hours having fun in our safe, alcohol and drug-free environment. We will have a two-room casino, unlimited food and drinks, laser tag, glow golf, animals, mechanical bull, raffle prizes and more!!!

To help more kids be able to attend the event, we are actually **lowering** the price this year! We rely on generous donations to cover the remaining costs. We can't do it without your support! Click this link to donate: http://bit.ly/donate-ahs-ap24

• FRIENDS OF ANDERSON DRAMA (FAD)

CLICK HERE for information about FAD membership!

AHS Athletic Boosters

CLICK HERE for information about AHS Athletic Booster Memberships! \$1,800 \$300 \$1,200 \$600 THE BIG TOP! LEVEL 1 LEVEL 2 LEVEL 4 March 23rd 7-11pm **Ivy Hills Country Club** CARNIVAL GAMES! • PRIZES • RAFFLES • CHANCES TO WIN \$70 per person entry, food & open bar **CORPORATE SPONSORSHIPS* OFFER** - ELITE EVENT ACCESS - FREE FOOD & DRINKS FREE ADVERTISING AT THE EVENT, ON THE BOOSTER WEBSITE, SOCIAL MEDIA THIS WAY & IN-MARKET
REACH THOUSANDS OF ANDERSON TOWNSHIP RESIDENTS WITH MULTIPLE DEMOGRAPHICS (AGE GROUPS, ADULTS, STUDENTS, INTERESTS, etc) https://bit.lv/AHS March 23rd | 7-11PM @ IVY HILLS COUNTRY CLUB rallytickets QUESTIONS / INTEREST: meg@wiseproductionsllc.co

FH BAND BOOSTERS

Booster Home - FH BANDS

DISTRICT UPDATES:

Mental Health and Suicide Prevention with Hilinski's Hope | March 4

All community members are invited to a presentation with the Hilinski's Hope Foundation on Monday, March 4. Thanks to support from the Forest Hills Foundation for Education, Anderson High School is hosting the Hilinski's Hope Foundation to lead a community discussion from 6:30-8:30 p.m. in Titus Auditorium. You can learn more about the event and find a link to RSVP in our news article here.

FHSD Parent Academy Nights and Community Wellness Fair

Join us on February 28 for the next Parent Academy Night! Topics include executive functioning, vaping, drugs and alcohol in the digital age, roundtables with Anderson, Turpin and Nagel administrators, summer reading tips and more! You can find a <u>list of sessions/topics and a link to register for the event here</u>.

Join us on March 18 for a Community Wellness Fair and the final Parent Academy Night! FHSD is welcoming dozens of local businesses and organizations to give the community a chance to explore health and wellness resources. Guests can also stay to view an engaging presentation by Dr. Bill Daggett, a national leader in innovative education, about preparing youth for the future ahead and not the past we're leaving behind.

The district thanks the <u>Forest Hills Foundation for Education</u> for its ongoing support of the 2023-2024 Parent Academy series, and we also thank <u>Hamilton County Public Health</u> for making the March 18 event possible.

Mock Interview Workshop for High School Students | Feb. 28

The FHSD Community Partnership Program invites all high school students to participate in Pizza with Professionals during Parent Academy Night on Feb. 28! Business owners and professionals from the community will spend the evening supporting student growth with a mock interview, networking and resume building workshop. This is a great opportunity for students interested in part-time work, attending college after school or entering military service or the workforce! Interested students can register for the event here.

Spread the Word! Kindergarten Open Houses | March 7

If you or someone you know has a child nearing kindergarten age, all FHSD elementary schools are holding open houses on Thursday, March 7 from 6:45-7:45 p.m.! This is a great way to see what it's like inside the kindergarten classrooms, meet with staff and learn more about kindergarten at FHSD. Families can also use this as an opportunity to drop off necessary registration paperwork and ask questions about the process. To learn more about kindergarten at FHSD, please visit www.foresthills.edu/kindergarten

SAVE THE DATE: FH Bands Spaghetti Dinner | March 16

Please join the FH Band Boosters for their 61st Annual Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser! The event takes place at Nagel Middle School and has everything: Student-performed MUSIC, great FOOD donated by LaRosas, and FUN (Lucky Notes & Silent Auction). Buy dinner tickets (dine in/take out) for the family: Spaghetti Dinner Info & Tickets. Want to help out? Volunteer!

Interest Meetings for Upcoming International Travel Opportunities

Germany and Switzerland: Sustainable Living - Summer of 2025

This is a STEM focused trip! Students who have completed high school Biology by 6/1/2024 and are in good standing, received a grade of B or better are invited to attend the meeting to learn more and register for the trip. The trip is designed for students currently enrolled in grades nine and ten. Come and learn more about this opportunity to put science and travel together! Register for an interest meeting here: https://rsvp.eftours.com/jhwx2z7

The Alps and Mediterranean Coast: Renaissance, Geography, History - Spring of 2025 Come explore with us on a four country jump, from Zurich to Barcelona, in the spring of 2025. Students who are currently in 8th grade through 11th are eligible with proof of good academic/behavior standings, completion of your history courses with a B or better. Register for the interest meeting here: https://rsvp.eftours.com/nd729t4

Both meetings are Monday, February 26 at 7:30 p.m. in the Nagel Learning Commons.

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:

- Classroom Antics STEAM Summer Camps for Ages 7-14
- <u>Mental Health Webinar Series directed to parents from the Hamilton County ESC</u>. The next event is Feb. 27 and discusses establishing healthy boundaries.
- Anderson Fastpitch Softball Registration

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:
 - o <u>MindPeace</u>
 - o FHSD Family Resource List