03.15.24

AHS Families,

It feels like we just celebrated the New Year, and now it's the end of the third quarter! We celebrated many accomplishments during this quarter- including National Merit Finalists, a plethora of State Walks in various winter sports, a National Emmy Award, and Superior band ratings! We look forward to building off of that success and momentum as we head into the fourth quarter.

As a reminder, Monday and Tuesday (3/18 and 3/19) are staff professional development daysmeaning no school for students.

Have a great weekend!

Anderson Proud, Kvle

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:

- 03/15 End of Third Quarter (Normal School Day)
- 03/18-19 No School for Students (Teacher PD)
- 03/22 Third Quarter Report Cards Posted to ProgressBook
- 04/01-05 No School (Spring Break)
- *04/11-12 ELA II State Graduation Test (*UPDATED)
- 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:

END OF COURSE STATE GRADUATION TESTING

A detailed communication was sent on 3/14/24, please reference for specific information. Students in the following courses will take their state graduation test on the following days:

- April *11 & 12, ELA II (2 day test) (*UPDATED)
- April 16 & 17, Algebra I and Geometry (2 day test each)
- April 18, Government, US History and Biology (1 day test each)

3RD QUARTER REPORT CARDS

Third Quarter Report Cards will be posted on Friday, March 22, 2024. Information for parents on how to access Report Cards online, via Progressbook, can be found here. If you are not able to access ProgressBook at this time, please email parenthelp@foresthills.edu.

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
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

LOCAL SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Local scholarship applications will be available for interested seniors beginning Monday, March 25th @ 8am. Due to generous donations from school, parent, and community organizations, a substantial list of scholarships will be available for seniors this year. Last year we awarded 48 scholarships for a total amount of \$37,822.00!

In order to be eligible, seniors must have a 3.5 weighted grade point average (GPA) or higher and complete an online application. The link to the online application will be shared in a separate email the morning of March 25th, as well as in the Senior One Stop. The deadline for applying for these scholarships is midnight on Monday, April 17th. Scholarship winners will be notified by mail.

Please reach out to **Emily Bamber** if you have any questions.

2024-2025 STUDENT SCHEDULES

Course Request Verification Letters will be mailed home prior to Spring Break. Please take the time to review these with your student(s) and remind them they have until May 1st to make any schedule changes with their counselors.

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 <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. 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

<u>Click here</u> to view openings in the PTO Board and Chair positions next school year!

Senior Parent Breakfast



• AFTER-PROM

MAY 4th AFTER PROM - learn more about this 29 year old tradition! And THANK YOU to our donors!!! Click here:

https://andersonhspto.ptboard.com/school/cm?mid=6317#fndtn-ann_2

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!



• FH BAND BOOSTERS

Booster Home - FH BANDS

DISTRICT UPDATES:

FINAL REMINDER: FHSD's Community Wellness Fair and Parent Academy | March 18

Our Community Wellness Fair will run from 5:30-8:30 p.m. and feature more than 40 local businesses and organizations in areas like fitness, medicine, mental health, nutrition and much more! Stop by for a chance to win raffles and prize giveaways! Guests are also invited to attend a presentation on the future of education with Dr. Bill Daggett, a national leader in innovative education. This portion begins at 6:30 p.m., to allow individuals to attend both events. The Community Wellness Fair and Parent Academy will take place at Nagel Middle School. Click here to find more information! Many thanks to Hamilton County Public Health and the Forest Hills Foundation for Education for making this evening possible.

Dart Wars

Over the last several years, many students at Anderson, Turpin and schools across SW Ohio have participated in a game called Dart Wars. This can go on for multiple weeks as teams compete with either Nerf darts or homemade devices to earn points by hitting members of opposing teams. FHSD wants to make sure that the parent community understands that this is NOT a school-sponsored or supported activity. The game is not allowed to be played on any district property and it is not allowed to interfere with learning during the school day. This includes communication that is verbal or through social media that could interfere with the educational environment.

We encourage families to speak with their students about this activity and consider the potential risks associated with a game like this being played in different parts of our community. Again, the district does not support or encourage this game to be played, and it is prohibited from school

campuses for safety concerns. We are sharing this information with families because spring is the time of year when the activity typically occurs.

Nominate an Outstanding Educator!

Each year, FHSD submits nominees for the Hamilton County Education Foundation Celebrate Excellence awards and the Anderson Area Chamber of Commerce Teacher of the Year award. Please take a moment to nominate an FHSD educator who you believe deserves special recognition this year! Form: https://forms.gle/u6DgkyBKBnHhEYFVA

REMINDER: No School for Students on March 18 and 19

The academic calendar was adjusted in January to include a non-school day for students on the presidential primary election day, when an influx of visitors is possible for schools that serve as polling locations. Click here for additional details.

61st Annual Spaghetti Dinner THIS SATURDAY (March 16)

Come ALL to this BAND-tastic event Saturday, March 16: FHBands/LaRosas Spaghetti Dinner and Silent Auction Fundraiser! There will be Larosa's spaghetti for dine in or take-out, concerts, and so many must-have auction items. Bid on LEGOS, Gaming Table, Lotto baskets, Solo Stove and more. Tickets sold at the door starting at 3:30 p.m. at Nagel Middle School. Check spaghettidinner.weeblv.com for more information!

Anderson and Turpin Film Programs Present 2024 Mainstage Film *Head Case* | March 15 & 16

This original motion picture is entirely produced by Anderson and Turpin students! *Head Case* is written and directed by Anderson HS senior Chrisanthi Burch and scored by Turpin HS junior Joshua Yamaguchi. It tells the story of employees of a run down movie theater who have to decide what to do with a mysterious briefcase. Exploring various ways mental health challenges and is handled by the current generation, Head Case turns the lens of the camera on those of us who struggle with our own mental health and how we help or hinder those around us. Please consider the topics addressed when deciding whether to bring young students to the premiere. Learn more about the show here. Tickets can be purchased through the Anderson Film website here.

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:

- Heart Church Easter Egg Drop at Nagel MS | Saturday, March 23 from 10-11 a.m.
- Anderson Athletic Boosters Summer Camps 2024 | Various Grades K-8 (<u>Flyer</u> <u>Registration</u> <u>Link</u>)

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