

05.20.22

Dear AHS Families,

Some of our English 9 students have been asked to interview people around the building for a class assignment. When I agreed to the interview, I figured I would get a lot of softballs like, 'Why did you want to be a principal?' And 'What's your favorite food?' Things like that. Instead, the questions I got were really deep and well thought out. I should have known better than to underestimate our amazing students.

My favorite question was, 'What do you enjoy most in life?' I said, without hesitation, 'People.' The reason that I chose a career in Education was because I knew every year I get the privilege of meeting hundreds of new people (students, staff, families, community members). Everyone has their own story to tell and I love to listen to see what I can take away to make myself a better person.

Have a great weekend!

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.

We have also created a [New Parent One Stop Shop](#) for any parents with students who are new to AHS for the 2022-2023 school year. Full disclosure, this is still a work in progress.

UPCOMING SCHOOL EVENTS:

- **05/23/22 - Senior Last Day (mandatory graduation rehearsal, seniors report to cafeteria at 8:30)**
- **05/24/22 - 05/27/22 - Underclass Semester Exams ([Exam Week Schedule](#); busing-normal AM routes, depart from AHS at 11:00 for return home routes)**
 - **No food service 05/25/22 - 05/27/22**
- **05/28/22 - Graduation, 3 PM at Cintas Center, Xavier University (See Senior One Stop Shop Above for details)**

AROUND AHS:



2021-22 NATIONAL
Community Service Awards



UNITED NATIONS ASSOCIATION
OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Recognizing student commitment and activities in support of the UN Global Goals.

Anderson High School

EMERALD AWARD

Hours Invested in Community Needs



7,248



Rachel Bowen Pittman, Executive Director
United Nations Association of the United States of America



Our students logged over 7,000 hours of community service this school year!



Ain't no party like a Calculus Party! AP Calc AB students narrowly defeated their BC students in a game of kickball to blow off steam after AP tests.



Congrats to eSports teams for Overwatch and Smash for advancing to STATE!



The Three A's Signing Ceremonies!



Big Shout-Out to 'Rowdy' for winning the Mascot Race at the FH5K!



The first-ever Senior Field Day was a huge hit! Thank you to all the volunteers!

FROM THE DISTRICT:

- School-Issued Chromebook

Students in grades 9-11 should keep their school-issued Chromebook and charger over the summer. Students will use the same device next school year. Question? Contact stevemeece@foresthills.edu

- **Big Band Bash Online Auction**

The Forest Hills Band Booster auction grades 5-12 is going on NOW. Bidding is underway and is open until 10 p.m. Sunday, May 22. There are 30 items and Guaranteed something for everyone. Here are a few of the feature items:

*Student Parking Passes- Anderson and Turpin!

*Memberships: YMCA 1-Yr, Mercy Healthplex 3-mo., TorchPrep ACT thru graduation!

*Father's Day and Mother's Month Baskets

*You Fly- flight training experience

*Dead Low Private Brew Tour and Tasting for 4...

Just click the link and start bidding!

<https://www.32auctions.com/FHbands2022>

- **Community Mental Health Presentation**

The FHSD Wellness Team was joined by two crucial community partners who shared their insights and expertise related to mental health and suicide prevention this week. You can learn more about what was discussed [here](#). The full presentation is available to watch [here](#).

- **Special Education Parent Survey**

The Ohio Department of Education has selected FHSD families to participate in a survey about special education services. The goal is to collect information that will help ODE improve services for students with disabilities across Ohio. If you have a child with an educational disability, please click [here](#) to take the survey.

- **SUMMER SCHOOL INFO:**

[CLICK HERE](#) for information about summer school.

- **Boys and Girls Club Summer Camps**

The Wyler Boys and Girls Club at 4626 Aicholtz Road is hosting free summer camp programs for ages 5-18, which run Mon-Fri from June 6 to July 29. Check out the [flyer](#) for more information and visit the [website](#) to apply.

- **Kumon Math and Reading Program**

Kumon Learning Center in Anderson is offering free registration to Forest Hills families in the month of June. Learn more [here](#).

- **Ohio Soccer Association/Soccer Unlimited Camp**

Ages 5-17 can participate in the OSA/Soccer Unlimited Camps at Armleder Park June 20-24. Learn more about cost and registration information [here](#).

- **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](#)

IMPORTANT DISTRICT CALENDAR UPDATE:

Per O.R.C. 3313.48, a public hearing was held at Nagel Middle School on May 18, 2022 regarding proposed *changes* to the 2022-2023 Academic Calendar and a general proposal of the 2023-2024 Academic Calendar. Here are a few important changes that you will notice on next year's calendar:

- **First Day of School/Phase-In Days** - Based on parent feedback over the past two years, beginning next school year the District will alternate each school year in which half of the alphabet will actually report to school first. Please note that students with last names M-Z will report to school on August 18 and will be off on August 19. By extension, students with last names A-L will be off August 18 and report to school on August 19. Beginning August 22, all students should report to school. (In 2023-2024, A-L will start first, followed by M-Z.)
- **Parent-Teacher Conferences** - Whereas in the past, Middle and High School evening conferences have been late in the Fall (often after the end of Quarter 1), these conferences have been adjusted to provide parents a formal opportunity to meet with teachers prior to the conclusion of the 1st and 3rd Quarters.
- **New Years & Spring Break** - Next year, New Year's falls on Sunday, thus Monday is the federally recognized holiday (non-workday). As a result, Tuesday must become our Teacher Work Day (no students) and Wednesday, January 4 will become the first day back for students after Winter Break. Because of the loss of a school day, the Monday after Spring Break (April 10) will return to a regular school day.
- **Long Weekends** - First, we moved the January 27 Teacher Professional Development Day to March 17. Second, we moved our February 10 Teacher Professional Development Day to February 17 to "piggyback" the Presidents' Day Weekend, thereby creating a 4-day weekend for our students and families in February.

Access to these calendars can be found on the Calendar page of the FHSD website by clicking [HERE](#). Please send feedback to FHSD Human Resources Director Rob Fellows (robfellows@foresthills.edu). These calendars will be recommended for approval on June 22, 2022 at the next regular meeting of the Board of Education.

FROM THE FOREST HILLS FOUNDATION FOR EDUCATION (FH5K):

FROM 9UNITED:

FROM THE ANDERSON TOWNSHIP HISTORICAL SOCIETY AND URBAN FARM:

YOUTH battle of the bands and artisan vendor sale. For information, view the [digital flyer](#).

STUDENT FEES REMINDER:

This is a courtesy reminder that your student may have fees that are unpaid. Please note that all fees for AP Exams must now be paid in full. 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.

Medication Pick Up

Medications that are left over at the end of the school year will need to be picked up by the parent/guardian. No medication will be sent home with a student. Medication can be picked up 5/23 - 5/26 between 7:15 am - 11:30 am & 12:30 pm - 2:40 pm and on 5/27 between 7:15 am - 11:30 am. We will dispose of any medications not picked up by the last day of school.

If you will have a student in school next year who will require medication during the school day, a new medication permission form must be completed. New forms must be obtained each school year. Each medication requires a separate form. Forms may be found on the Forest Hills School District website by clicking on the Resource Center tab.

Attention Parents of Rising Seniors for the 2022-2023 School Year:

REMINDER: 12th grade students (including students who attend the Oaks or College Credit Plus programs) are required to have documentation on file in the school health office showing proof of receiving:

2 meningitis (MCV4) vaccine doses (NOT meningitis B recombinant)

*** One dose must be after the 16th birthday. If the first dose is received after the 16th birthday, only the one dose is required.

Please provide a current copy of their immunization record to the school health office showing evidence of receiving this vaccine. You can email and attach a copy of the record to suzanneackel@foresthills.edu.

2022 STUDENT RESPONSIBILITY FOR TEXTBOOKS

All textbooks are the property of the Forest Hills Board of Education. Textbooks are loaned to students for their use during the school year and become the personal responsibility of each student. Students will be held accountable for textbooks and are required to return them at the end of the course. Fees will be assessed for loss or damage to textbooks. These range from rebinding costs to book replacement charges. Replacement costs typically run between \$50 to over \$100. Seniors, this is a reminder that you are responsible for returning all of these materials(textbooks, devices, library books). All overdue and lost items must be resolved before graduation. Diplomas will be held until all obligations are met. Questions? Contact bettyfeller@foresthills.edu

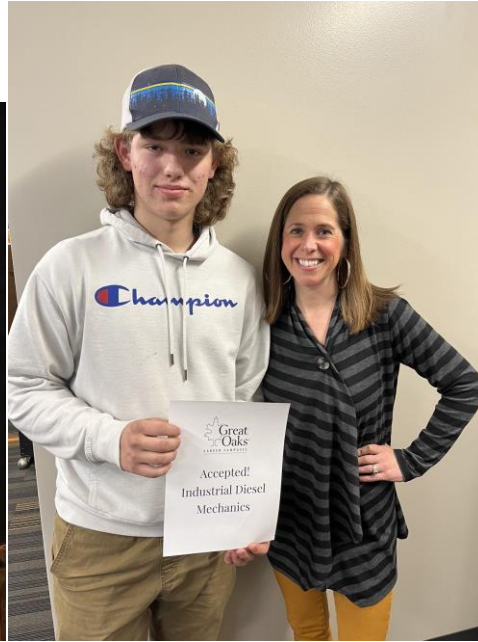
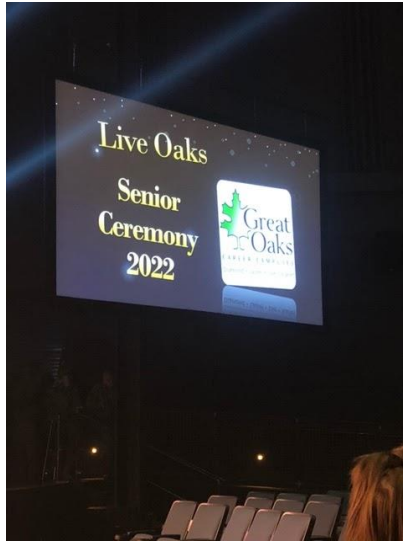
INFORMATION ABOUT NCAA ELIGIBILITY:

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:



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.

Information regarding student parking pass sales will be sent out prior to August. If your student is credit deficient and would like to purchase a parking pass, please make credit recovery plans with your student's counselor.

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 [CLICK HERE](#). 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! **February's Good Egg:** Troy Spitzmueller! **March's Good Egg:** Jeff Granger!

FROM THE AHS ATHLETIC BOOSTERS:

AHS Boosters Summer Sports Camp registration will begin soon. Check your email for updates from Boosters or follow them on Twitter (@Boosters_AHS) for more details.

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>
Parents, do not forget to purchase the 2022 yearbook! The yearbook is on sale through May. The list of those who have purchased is outside room 114, so students can check to see if there has been a purchase. The 2022 book is amazing with lots of wonderful memories from the year.
- 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 [CLICK HERE](#)
- 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