

08.20.21

Dear AHS Families,

Thursday and Friday have been incredible! Having students in the building really gives this place life! It was great to see students that we knew from last year; and it was great to welcome new students. In talking with students in the hallways and at lunch (or while showing them to that room they couldn't find) I can wholeheartedly say that we have amazing young adults attending Anderson High School and we look forward to the whole AHS Family being together on Monday!

I realize that everyone has different emotions related to the start of a new school year. I, for one, am the type to be excited and optimistic. I also understand that some are more inclined to be nervous about the uncertainty that comes with a new school year; please do not hesitate to reach out to us if there is anything we can do to ensure that our students get off the strongest possible start to this school year.

Anderson Proud,
Kyle

UPCOMING SCHOOL EVENTS:

- **8/25 - College Application Information Session for Senior Students and Parents, 6-7pm** (Titus Auditorium; see info below)
- **8/25 - AHS Open House, 7-8:45pm** (Details Below)
- **8/26 - Picture Day and Club Fair**
- **9/8 - ACT Readiness Day** (PreACT and practice ACT; see info below)

AROUND AHS:



Mrs Colonel playing a “get to know you” game with her students!



Mr Haney doing vocal warm-ups with Honors Singers!



Fall sports are in full swing!

FROM THE DISTRICT:

- **FHSD WELCOMES NEW FACES AROUND THE DISTRICT!**

One of the most exciting things that happens in the life of a school district is when we welcome new employees to our team. In Forest Hills, we are fortunate to have the opportunity to hire some of the most talented and eager individuals to join us as we work for all students in our district! We are **EXCITED** to introduce to you some new faces to buildings throughout the district and invite you to take a minute to scroll through the following document to meet some of our newest employees! Some are not new to the district, but each of these are in new buildings or positions and they are **ALL** excited to kick off a great school year! Click on the following link and enjoy: [FHSD New Faces in 2021-2022](#).

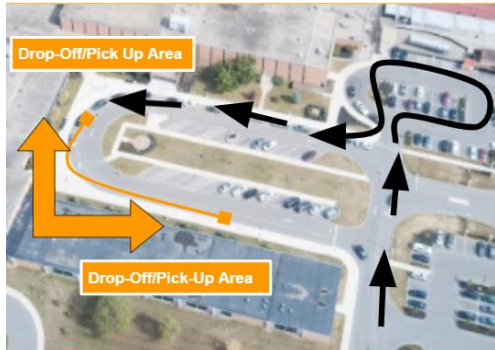
- At this time there will be "limited" volunteer access in our buildings during school hours. If you would like to volunteer please contact your building principal to see what opportunities are available. As a reminder volunteers will be masked at all times in all buildings. Also, remember you must have a current background check to volunteer in any FHSD building. **If you believe you have volunteered in the FHDS in the past five (5) years please contact your child's school to see if your background check is still valid before starting a new background check.** If you need to update your background check or if you are a first-time volunteer please follow this [LINK](#) to complete your background check.

GREAT OAKS SPOTLIGHT:

Four Southwest Ohio students were recently awarded scholarships in the Home Builders Association of Greater Cincinnati's (HBA) first Construction Careers Initiatives' Scholarship Program. The program provides financial support to area students pursuing training or degree programs leading to a career in residential construction. The scholarships were provided by

the HBA's Charitable Foundation through the financial support of member companies. We would like to congratulate Anderson's very own, Jackson Allen, student at Live Oaks in their HVAC Program on being selected as one of their recipients!

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.

FROM THE FOREST HILLS FOUNDATION FOR EDUCATION:

Calling All Parents/Guardians | We want to hear from You!

As we support your kid(s) and every student at Forest Hills, we'd love your feedback on your familiarity and experiences with district programs and organizations.

Please take [2 minutes to complete the survey](#) and you could be the **lucky winner of a \$50 Target gift card**. Your voice matters as we strive to provide the support our kids need to grow and thrive.

AHS OPEN HOUSE (8/25)

Please view the information in [THIS LETTER](#) for pertinent information regarding AHS Open House next week.

COLLEGE APPLICATION INFORMATION SESSION FOR SENIOR STUDENTS AND PARENTS

(8/25)

Seniors and their parents are invited to attend our College Application Session on Wednesday, August 25 from 6:00-7:00 PM in Titus Auditorium. We will discuss the college application process, student and parent responsibilities, AHS procedures, and frequently asked questions. We encourage everyone interested in applying to college to attend this important meeting. Please direct any questions to your student's counselor.

PICTURE DAY:

- Thursday August 26, 2021
- All students 9-12 for student IDs and yearbook pictures (9-11 only)
- To purchase pictures, you may use the form your student(s) bring home or order online; mylifetouch.com, Anderson HS picture ID: **EVTFFCMZ3**

FROM THE HEALTH OFFICE:

- **Immunizations:** 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.

Questions? [Contact suzanneackel@foresthills.edu](mailto:suzanneackel@foresthills.edu)

Pre-ACT and Practice ACT:

- On **Wednesday, September 8th** all 9th and 10th grade students will be taking the Pre-ACT. The Pre-ACT is a shortened, non-college reported prep test for the actual ACT.
- All 11th grade students will take a full length practice ACT, sponsored by [TorchPrep](#) and the Forest Hills Foundation for Education on the same date. This practice ACT is also non-college reported.
- All 12th grade students may use this day for college and career preparations. Seniors are encouraged to visit colleges/universities or job shadow in an area of interest. For students interested in pursuing a career in the Armed Services an ASVAB assessment will be available. Interested students need to email emilybamber@foresthills.edu.
- Once testing has concluded students will be dismissed from school (approx 11:30-12:30). Lunch and study hall will be provided for any students staying at school until 2:40. ***District busing will operate on it's normal schedule on September 8th. Students not leaving after their testing dismissal time will attend study hall in the cafeteria until 2:40.***

PSAT:

- All 10th graders and interested 11th graders will take the PSAT/NMSQT on **October 13th, 2021**. More details to come. Contact [Emily Bamber](#) or [Melanie Sorrell](#) if you would like to apply for College Board accommodations.

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.

STUDENT GRADE LEVEL REMIND ACCOUNTS:

Students can text the code below for their grade level to 81010 to join Remind groups where we will share out information pertinent to specific grade levels from time to time.

- Class of 2025 (Freshmen) - @g66hka6
- Class of 2024 (Sophomores) - @26h2dg
- Class of 2023 (Juniors) - @ekg7kk2
- Class of 2022 (Seniors) - @ggf74b

SENIOR PORTRAITS

All seniors interested in having their picture in the yearbook must schedule an appointment with McIntire Photography. All students were mailed a brochure about this last spring near the end of May and announcements have been made in school to remind seniors. Please contact McIntire Photography at 513-528-5888 or at <https://www.mcintirephotography.com> to make an appointment.

PARENT MEMBERSHIPS

We have several opportunities for parents to get involved in supporting Anderson High School.

- **PTO-** Anderson has a strong tradition of parents and staff supporting the school through membership in the PTO. Your membership entitles you to a student directory and the satisfaction of knowing you are covering the costs of the programming that enriches your student's experience throughout AHS. Your membership is critical and we thank you! [JOIN PTO HERE](#).
- **Band Boosters-** Did you know our marching band placed in the *top 25 bands in the US* in 2019? Your generosity and membership keep our band tradition strong! Please join the Band Boosters [here](#). Join us during our Fall shows (calendar [here](#)).
- **Friends of Anderson Drama-** We have film and theatre programs that are *second to none*. You can support their efforts by joining FAD: [FAD \(Friends of Anderson Drama\)](#)
- **Athletic Boosters-** Hundreds of our students are also student-athletes, you can support them by joining the Athletic Boosters- [AHS Athletic Boosters](#)
- **Orchestra Boosters-** More information on how to join and support this group to come.