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Dear AHS Families,

I cannot believe that our first full week of school has already passed! I leave every day impressed with the caliber of young adults who attend Anderson High School. Like you, I have been a "back to school" parent the last week and a half.

There will most certainly be uncertainty throughout this school year; however I know that our students can handle it! One of the most important characteristics for success in life is the ability to persevere. Whether it's challenging content, trouble with friends, or all of the above- if we use the resources available to us and we don't mind doing the work, we can do amazing things! I look forward to what this year will bring; and I look forward to the growth that will come out of it- for our students, for our staff, for all of us.

Anderson Proud, Kyle

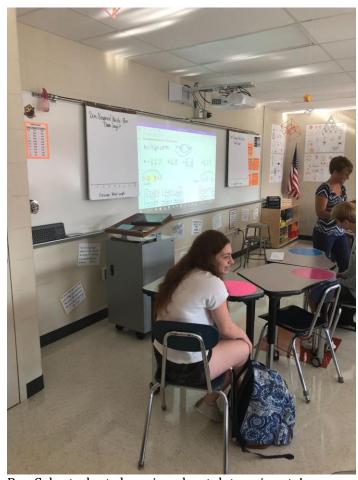
UPCOMING SCHOOL EVENTS:

- 9/6 Labor Day (no school)
- **9/8 ACT Readiness Day** (PreACT and practice ACT; *see info below*)
- 9/17 First Quarter Interim
- 10/1 Homecoming Weekend
- 10/15 End of First Quarter





We had meetings with each class during the week to go over expectations for the year!



Pre-Calc students learning about determinants!



Building 3-D shapes in Sculpture and Ceramics!



Students were able to visit the "Club Fair" to learn about some of the GREAT clubs that we have!



Our very own Saron Tefera was elected to GOVERNOR at Buckeye Girls State this summer!

FROM THE DISTRICT:

• IMPORTANT FOOD AND NUTRITION UPDATE

Food supply chain issues and shortages are happening nationwide. Our district is also experiencing the inability to obtain many of our foods and supplies through vendors. We will do our best to provide the posted menu but due to the unavailability of items the menus will be subject to change. Students may be notified of menu changes during the morning announcements.

We appreciate your patience and understanding!

We look forward to providing all of our students with free meals this school year.

• TEACHER OF THE YEAR NOMINATIONS:

Forest Hills students, teachers, parents and other community members are encouraged to nominate a Forest Hills educator for the Anderson Area Chamber of Commerce Teacher of the Year award! The award recognizes achievements of outstanding teachers within the district. Due to COVID-19, last year's teachers were not able to participate in the annual recognition ceremony; therefore, the Chamber will recognize one teacher after nominations are received! Read more and find the nomination form here.

• Introducing Village Connections - A FHSD Special Education Community:
Families of students with special needs know that information and support come from many sources. Many of us depend on those who have a child with similar needs for support and many families will seek information from others who are further along on the path we are traveling. Last school year, the FHSD Parent Advisory Team identified the need for ongoing opportunities for these families to connect to share information and support. This year, Village Connections, a new information sharing and support community, will meet on the 2nd Wednesday of each month from 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. in the Learning Commons at Nagel Middle School. There will be a general topic for each session with informational resources available. Our first meeting will be September 8th on the topic "Building Extracurriculars- How to Find What Works for Your Student". See all the topics and dates on the Parent Resource Coordinator Page. Questions? Contact Alycia Champion, alyciachampion@foresthills.edu

GREAT OAKS SPOTLIGHT:

ACT READINESS DAY- 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 <u>TorchPrep</u> and the Forest Hills Foundation for Education on the same date. This practice ACT is also noncollege 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 <u>Emily Bamber</u> or <u>Melanie Sorrell</u> if you would like to apply for College Board accommodations.
- **11th Grade-** Juniors who would like to take the PSAT can now sign-up and pay at this link: <u>IUNIOR PSAT REGISTRATION</u>. The **deadline to register is September 12, 2021**.

• All 12th grade students may use this day as an additional opportunity to job shadow or visit colleges/universities.

End of Course Score Reports from 2020-2021 School Year

• Next week all Sophomores thru Seniors will be sent home with individual score reports of any End of Course Exam they took during the Spring of 2021. Along with this report will be a print out of their current progress towards graduation requirements thus far. If you have any questions please reach out to Emily Bamber or their school counselor.

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.

NATIONAL HONORS SOCIETY:

Juniors interested in being inducted into National Honor Society must have a 3.75+ GPA and 30+ hours of community service <u>logged into Innerview.org</u> by the end of 1st semester of the junior year to be considered. The students will be notified of their admittance in late February and the induction ceremony will be held early March. Questions? Contact Mrs Cook, <u>jennifercook@foresthills.edu</u>

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.

WORKOUTS FOR OFF-SEASON STUDENT ATHLETES:

Off-Season workouts are currently being held for all Boys and Girls Winter and Spring athletes. Workouts are on Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday from 3-4:30 pm. The following links are the calendar and workout links for the entire fall.

Fall Training Calendar

Fall Workout Layouts

If you have any questions, please contact Adam Szabo at adamszabo@foresthills.edu.

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. Students should not be picked up in the North Lot near the baseball field.

FROM THE HEALTH OFFICE:

- <u>Immunizations</u>: 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:
 - o 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