09.16.22

Dear AHS Families,

Somehow it is already the Interim for the First Quarter! We have lots to celebrate during the first four weeks of this school year- we've already seen awesome projects and student performances on assessments, big time victories in athletics, and progress towards our first shows in performing arts!

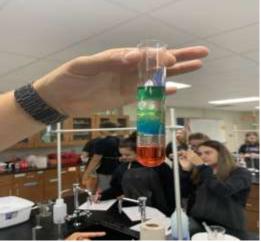
This is also a great time for families to jump on ProgressBook and see how your student is doing so far; give a pat on the back where things are looking good and make plans for where they are not. I know we include this in our Academic Support blurb lower in the Weekly Update every week, but it's worth pointing out that teachers are available to students for extra help during office hours before the start of the student school day and during Advisory time in the middle of each school day.

Anderson Proud, Kyle

UPCOMING SCHOOL EVENTS:

- 9/16 First Quarter Interim
- 10/6 Parent Teacher Conferences 4:00-7:30 pm
- 10/7 No School for Students (Teacher Professional Development)
- 10/10- No School
- 10/12 PSAT (10th and 11th grade, details to come)
- 10/21 End of QTR 1

AROUND AHS:



Chemistry students have been busy with labs this week!



Advisory is a GREAT opportunity for students to get one on one time with their teacher, even if they are doing well!



Office aides lent a helping hand to get ready for the ACT Readiness Day!



AP English Language and Composition classes took advantage of some nice weather!



Girls AND Boys soccer had GREAT wins this week over a neighborly opponent!

AHS INFO:

<u>ProgressBook/Schoology</u>

Today marks our halfway point for the first quarter marking period. This is a good time to check your child's academic progress on ProgressBook. As always, if you have concerns or questions regarding your son/daughter's grades, please reach out to their teacher for information and possible ways to support your child's academic success from home.

• Parent Teacher Conferences - Thursday, October 6th, 4:30 pm- 7:00 pm

Parent Teacher Conferences will be in person this year, but an option for virtual conferences will continue to be offered. Conference sign-ups will begin Thursday, September 29th on My Conference Time. Look for more details in next week's AHS Family Update.

<u>ACADEMIC SUPPORT:</u>

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.

- <u>PSAT:</u>
 - All 10th graders, and interested 11th graders, will take the PSAT/NMSQT on October 12th, 2022. Additional details, as well as the schedule of the day will be available in coming weeks.
 - **10th Grade-** Sophomores are pre-registered for this assessment and have already submitted payment through their student fees
 - **11th Grade-** Juniors who would like to take the PSAT can now sign-up and pay at this link: <u>JUNIOR PSAT REGISTRATION</u>. The **deadline to register is September 16**, **2022**.

- **Juniors who do not sign up to take the PSAT** will participate in targeted ACT prep from 8am-12pm. Additional details will be shared in coming weeks.
- All 12th grade students may use this day as an additional opportunity to job shadow or visit colleges/universities.
- Freshman will participate in the Freshman Day of Service on this date. More details to come.

• <u>Community Service - ALL-IN Food Drive</u>

The All-In Food Drive is ramping up! Anderson High School has a special role in this event, as we have a month-long collection of food items, which culminates with the packing of thousands of Power Packs during our Freshman Day of Service on October 12. Interparish Ministry relies on the help of our AHS community, and we have had tremendous participation through the years. As has been done in the past, student volunteers will be stationed at the Anderson Kroger all day on Saturdays and Sundays, beginning on September 17, to collect groceries and monetary donations. The students will have a specific shopping list for customers to use while purchasing items, and then will collect those items as customers leave the store.

New this year! Parents can donate items from the IPM wish list for our Power Packs by simply clicking on Amazon and having the items shipped directly to AHS! Use the Amazon.com Wish List for easy, one-click donations for this important cause.

There is a significant and growing need for food in our community. Any support that you can give to this cause is appreciated, valued, and necessary.

• YEARBOOK PICK-UP

If you ordered a yearbook for 2021-2022 and have not picked it up yet. Mrs Pendery will be handing them out everyday after school in Room 114. Questions? Contact <u>Mrs Pendery</u>

• AHS AT A GLANCE:

We initially created the <u>2022-2023 NEW STUDENT ONE STOP SHOP</u> to help support students and parents who are new to AHS. Some returning students and parents have noted that they have found it helpful as well, so feel free to access at your convenience.

• STUDENT PARKING PASSES

If you would like to purchase a parking pass and are a student that Reps the A, pushes yourself that extra mile to Be Real, Be Kind and Be Better, you are credit proficient AND you have or will have a valid Ohio driver's license please complete the Parking Application below. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Stanyard via email at emilystanyard@foresthills.edu.

- Parking Pass cost, \$125, cash or check
- <u>AHS Parking Pass Application</u> (Must be accessed by the student's FH account)
- <u>SCHOOL DROP-OFF AND PICK-UP INFORMATION:</u>



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).

• SENIOR PORTRAITS

All seniors interested in having their picture in the yearbook must schedule an appointment with McIntire Photography. All students were given a brochure about this in the spring 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. Questions? Contact Mrs Pendery, pampendery@foresthills.edu

• FROM THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION- GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS:

Studentswill receive graduation progress letters in Advisory. If interested, please view the links for the graduation requirements by class required by ODE:

CLASS OF 2023 AND BEYOND GRAD REQUIREMENTS

Questions? Contact Mrs Bamber, Assistant Principal of Assessment and Accountability

FROM THE DISTRICT:

• FHSD Gets Great Marks on ODE Report Card

The Ohio Department of Education rated FHSD as exceeding state standards in all five categories evaluated this year: achievement, early literacy, gap closing, graduation and progress. You can find FHSD's ratings by visiting the ODE State Report Card website <u>here</u>.

District PBIS Recognition

FHSD is one of only 16 districts in the entire state to be recognized this year for excellence with our Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports (PBIS) program! Six individual schools were also honored for going above and beyond. <u>READ MORE</u>.

Great Oaks Special Event

College, Careers and Coffee with Great Oaks Career Campuses is an event for parents of 6-10th graders! All are welcome to attend on Tuesday, October 18 from 6-7:30 p.m. at the Anderson Branch Library. <u>Great Oaks</u> and <u>At The Core</u> will lead a discussion on educational opportunities in career technical education and share information about programs available to juniors and seniors.

<u>Attendance Month</u>

FHSD is emphasizing the benefits of good attendance during the month of September! This week, all schools gave students and staff the opportunity to sign a fun poster to raise awareness about this initiative.

• Visit FHSD at FallFest

<u>FallFest at Anderson Towne Center</u> will be from 3-8 p.m. on Saturday, September 24. Come visit the FHSD booth to talk with central office and building leaders about our schools and play some fun games for the chance to win prizes! See you there!

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:

<u>MindPeace</u>

FHSD Family Resource List 22-23

FROM OUR BOOSTER GROUPS:

• **PTO**

The Anderson PTO Newsletter published today! Read it at: <u>andersonhspto.ptboard.com</u>

• FRIENDS OF ANDERSON DRAMA (FAD)

<u>CLICK HERE</u> for information about FAD membership! <u>CLICK HERE</u> for information about a fundraiser on 9/19!

• AHS Athletic Boosters

<u>CLICK HERE</u> for information about AHS Athletic Booster Memberships!

Anderson Athletic Boosters 1st Annual Golf Outing

Join AHS Boosters on 10/2 at Stillmeadow Country Club, home of the Anderson Golf Teams, for their inaugural outing. Cost is \$85/player or \$320/foursome, which includes lunch, dinner, 2 drink tickets, 18 holes & cart. No Bengals game to miss on 10/2, so no excuse not to be there! Register at https://bit.ly/AHSboostersouting.

Presenting & hole sponsorships available, along with donations for raffles and auctions. Email andersonathleticboosters@gmail.com for full details.

• FH BAND BOOSTERS

The FH Band Boosters provide volunteer assistance and financial support for all FHSD band activities; all 800+ band students and all 200+ Marching Artists. Supporting a program this large takes a community of parents who want to be involved and share their talents. Short and sweet, we encourage you to join us for some fun and rewarding work. I think you will find it is time well spent.

Simply follow this link to the booster homepage: **Booster Home - FH BANDS**