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Dear AHS Families,

I just had a pretty incredible experience earlier today. As I was taking a trip around the halls during a passing period I had a teacher stop me just to say how much they enjoy having a particular student in their class. During that same passing period, that same student stopped me to say how much they like that teacher's class!

He's likely going to be mad at me for doing this because he's the most humble person on the planet... Today, during 8th period lunch, it was announced (and celebrated) that our very own Chris Newton was selected as the township's Educator of the Year!!!

Anderson Proud,
Kyle

P.S. We conducted our first ALICE drill of the year where students made their way to a "rally point" based on their location at the time should such action ever be warranted. Everyone did a great job!

UPCOMING SCHOOL EVENTS:

- **10/1 - Homecoming Parade, Tailgate, and Play for Pope Football Game**
- **10/2 - Homecoming Dance** (Details below)
- **10/8 - Teacher Professional Day** (no school for students)
- **10/11 - No School** (Fall Break)
- **10/13 - PSAT and Freshmen Day of Service** (see information below)
- **10/15 - End of First Quarter**
- **10/21 - Picture Retakes**
- **10/28 - Fall Parent/Teacher Conferences** (info TBA)

AROUND AHS:



AHS Students volunteering at Kroger for the All-In Food Drive!



Congrats to Adam Barrett on earning National Merit Semi-Finalist status!



Students participating in a mock debate in Honors Chemistry class!



Honors Algebra II class putting learning into action!



Fall sports continue in full swing!



Sculpture and Ceramics class make doughnuts that look good enough to eat!

FROM THE DISTRICT:

- **HOMEARAMA:**

Forest Hills families are invited to attend HOMEARAMA 2021 for a day of fun, viewing upscale luxury homes while raising money for the Forest Hills School District! Guests will have an opportunity to tour five fully decorated and beautifully landscaped houses at Parkside Estates at Coldstream in a variety of architectural styles. FHSD families receive discounted tickets. (\$3 off per adult, children 12 and under are FREE!)

 - Visit [Cincyhomearama.com](https://www.cincyhomearama.com)
 - Click on BUY TICKETS
 - Select Tickets
 - Enter number of tickets
 - Highlight the online ticket option at 18.00
 - Buy tickets - Enter name, email, address, etc. (Children 12 and under are FREE with a parent)
 - Enter the ENTER COUPON CODE which is FHSD2021

- Click on APPLY DISCOUNT CODE and it will give the purchaser \$3 off of the gate price of \$19 or \$16 per ticket
- At the end of HOMEARAMA, FHSD will be presented with a check in the amount of \$3 per tickets purchased with code
- **MEET THE SCHOOL BOARD CANDIDATES**
 All community members are invited to learn more about the candidates running for the Forest Hills School Board.
 Meet the Candidates Night is September 29, 2021 at 6:30 p.m., in the Nagel Middle School Cafetorium. It will also be live-streamed on FHSD YouTube channel.
 The Forest Hills Council PTA/PTO is hosting the event and an outside moderator will be running the evening.
 Questions can be submitted in advance [online](#) for the moderator to consider asking all the candidates.
 More details about each candidate can be found on the Meet the Candidates [website](#).
 Please share this [flyer](#) with your friends and neighbors.
- **Anderson Township Survey**
 FHSD families are invited to participate in an online Anderson Township Comprehensive Plan survey that will be open until *Sunday, September 27*. The deadline for the survey has been *extended* to provide a greater opportunity for more community participation.
 The online questionnaire will gather community feedback regarding goals and initiatives of the Anderson Township Comprehensive Plan and proposals for future land use. For those unable to join the township's "Let's Get Together" Comprehensive Plan open house, The township's survey provides an avenue to submit feedback.
 SURVEY LINK: <https://www.planning-next.com/lets-get-together/>
- **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. Village Connections, a new information sharing and support community, meets on the 2nd Wednesday of each month from 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. in the Learning Commons at Nagel Middle School. October 13th's "Future Planning - Creating a Purposeful Plan" will center around the things families can do to build a more successful future for their child. See all the topics and dates on the [Parent Resource Coordinator Page](#).
- **DANGEROUS/DISRUPTIVE TIK TOK CHALLENGES**
 - Parents/Caregivers,
 We are asking for your help! As you may know, a recent TikTok trend is challenging students to steal items from schools, specifically soap dispensers. For more information, [here is a link](#) to a story from WLWT Channel 5 that provides more details.

Unfortunately, some of our buildings are already facing added costs and time spent replacing the damage that this "challenge" is causing in our buildings. At this point in time, we have already had to replace 11 soap dispensers across the three secondary buildings. While we are working with our maintenance department to help find ways to limit the damage and still ensure proper access to sanitation, we are also working on identifying the students who are causing damage. Those students will be issued disciplinary consequences and/or charged for damages.

In order to help us avoid having any additional damage and disciplinary actions, we ask that you please take a couple of minutes to talk to your child about keeping our buildings a safe, sanitized, and respectful learning environment.

HOMEcomings DANCE (10/2):

The Anderson High School Homecoming Dance will be held on Saturday, October 2nd, from 8:30pm to 11:30pm in the AHS Courtyard (weather permitting - alternate facility is the cafeteria). We value strong academics, good attendance and positive behavior from our students. Consequently, only students in "Good Standing", meaning they are failing no classes, have exhibited good attendance and have not had serious disciplinary issues, will be permitted to purchase tickets and attend the dance. This is the information we have shared with students (includes the link to purchase tickets): [LINK](#)

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.

CHROMEBOOK DISTRIBUTION FOLLOW UP:

Earlier in the week, students in grade 9-11 received their district-owned Chromebooks as part of the FHSD transition from the BYOD program to a one-on-one program. This information was shared with students when they receive their device: [LINK](#)

More Information about the one-to-one program may be found [HERE](#).

TORCHPREP ASSEMBLY

On Wednesday, September 29th, the Junior Class will be invited to Titus Auditorium during Advisory to take part in an assembly run by Torchprep. Torchprep delivered and graded the Practice ACT's that students took on September 8th. A passcode and link will be sent via text message on Tuesday, September 28th, for individual student score reports. Students provided a phone number to receive this message during the Pre-Administration of the test earlier this month. Representatives from Torchprep will talk to students about how to interpret their scores, what their score means to them and future colleges/universities, and what they need to do to get a higher score on the actual ACT administered @ AHS on March 1st.

GREAT OAKS SPOTLIGHT:

(From Adrienne)

TorchPrep:

[Torchprep](#) is offering [ACT Boot Camps](#) for students planning to take the ACT in October. Please visit their website for locations and additional information.

AHS WARRIOR RUN Team

Live & Virtual ~ 5K Race October 2, @ 5:30 PM Dogwood Park, Mariemont

Join Hope Squad in raising funds to promote mental health awareness. Together we can STOP THE STIGMA. You can get involved by joining the event / virtual event or by donating. Every donation made will come directly back to AHS for Mental Health Programming!

[Click Here to Donate / Join our Team](#)

[Check out this video!](#)

FRESHMEN DAY OF SERVICE/ALL-INFOOD DRIVE (10/13):

We need your help! The Forest Hills Foundation ALL IN Food Drive is on! Please bring in items to be donated to the IPM Food Pantry. All donations will be used to create Power Packs which are distributed to families in our local area. To see the list of items needed, click this link:

[Food Drive List of Items](#)

You can get a service hour for shopping and donating items!

Video - [How to record your Service Hour for Donating Food Items](#)

[Commonly Asked Questions About Community Service at AHS](#)

District busing will operate on it's normal schedule on October 13th. Students not leaving after their day of service will attend study hall in the cafeteria until 2:40.

Questions? Contact Cheryl Kemper, cherylkemper@foresthills.edu

PSAT (10/13):

- All 10th graders will take the PSAT/NMSQT on **October 13th, 2021**. Testing will begin promptly @ 8am and should conclude around 11:45am.
- Juniors who signed up prior to September 15th, 2021 will also take part in PSAT/NMSQT testing on this day. They will also be dismissed around 11:45. If you are unsure if you signed your Junior child up for testing, please contact [Emily Bamber](#).
- ***District busing will operate on it's normal schedule on October 13th. Students not leaving after their testing is complete will attend study hall in the cafeteria until 2:40.***
- ***Lunch will be available to all testing students @ 11:45am.***

SCHOOL PICTURES:

New Picture Day images and data for Anderson High School are now available on the Lifetouch Portal.

To download the images and data:

1. Log in to the [Lifetouch Portal](#).
2. Go to Image & Data Management.
3. Select the information you want to view and download.
4. Click the Download button.

If you have questions or need assistance, contact your Lifetouch representative or call the local Lifetouch office. You can also contact Lifetouch Technical Support at 1-800-598-2466 or lnssfieldops@lifetouch.com.

**Picture Retakes will be 10/21.*

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 *logged into Innerview.org* 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, jennifercook@foresthills.edu

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.

PARENT SPOTLIGHT: (once a month)

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 adam.szabo@foresthills.edu.

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](#)

SUPPORT THE FINE ARTS: Please look at the information in this link for a great opportunity to support our Film and Theatre programs: [FAD Fundraiser](#)