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AHS Families,

Typically, I use this narrative to showcase some of the great things that happened during the week, or are upcoming, at AHS. Today, I want to highlight our parent drop-off and pick-up lines: this is the smoothest we can remember the parent line running! Because of everyone's cooperation, our students have been able to get to class on time and maximize learning- you all rock!

Additionally- we are so excited for Elementary Night at our home football game tonight! It's a great opportunity for our high school students in attendance to act as role models for our district's younger students. As a reminder- our concession stands are cash only- please help spread the word.

Have a great weekend!

Anderson Proud,
Kyle

UPCOMING SCHOOL EVENTS:

- 9/4 - No School (Labor Day)
- 9/13 - ACT Readiness Day
- 9/15- Quarter 1 Interim
- 9/22 - Homecoming Tailgate, Parade, and Game
- 9/23 - Homecoming Dance (info coming soon)
- 10/20 - End of First Quarter
- 10/24 - PSAT/ACT Prep Day (info to come)

AHS UPDATES:

HOMECOMING WEEKEND!

AHS will have a **parade and tailgate before the Homecoming football game on 9/22**. Parade will start promptly @ 5pm, with the Tailgate to follow until game time @ 7pm. We would love to see you there!

Homecoming dance tickets will go on sale starting 9/18 for the dance on 9/23, 8-11pm. Our expectation is that students should be passing all classes and free of major discipline infractions in order to attend the dance. We want to see everyone who wants to go attend the dance to do so; please take advantage of all the opportunities for academic assistance built into the school day. Please reach out to Mr Fender if you have any questions.

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.

SHOUT OUT AN ANDERSON HIGH SCHOOL STAFF MEMBER!

We are blessed to have one of the best staffs to work with day in and day out at Anderson High School. We praise them everyday for all the amazing things they do for our kids and our community! We want to give you a chance to do the same! If you would like to give a shout out to any staff member, please fill out this [form](#) so we can celebrate them!

ACT READINESS DAY- Pre-ACT and Practice ACT:

- On **Wednesday, September 13th** 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.
- 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 13th. Students not leaving after their testing dismissal time will attend study hall in the cafeteria until 2:40.***

STUDENT PARKING PASS SALES

If you are a student that Repts the A, if you are pushing yourself that extra mile to Be Real, Be Kind and Be Better, if you are credit proficient and have satisfied all financial responsibilities from previous school years. Additionally, parking spots will be assigned with priority given to seniors. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Stanyard via email at emilystanyard@foresthills.edu.

- **All student AND student athletes that wish to park on campus during the school day must have a valid 23-24 parking pass**
- Parking Pass cost, \$125, cash or check
- [AHS Parking Pass Application](#) (Must be accessed by the student's FH account)

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. Senior Portraits should be scheduled no later than October 31st. Questions? Contact Mrs Renard, kathleenrenard@foresthills.edu

AHS AT A GLANCE:

To help any family that may be new to AHS and create a one-stop-shop for common questions even for our returning families, we have created this document: [2023-2024 AHS At A Glance](#).

DISTRICT UPDATES:

Superintendent Hook Introduces the Culture Blueprint

We've shared a few details about FHSD's Culture Blueprint: Every Moment Matters as the school year has started. It's a document that three dozen of our staff members and administrators created together and the entire district staff was introduced to in August training. [Check out the first of a series of videos from Superintendent Hook](#) where he explains some of the important details of this focus on building a positive culture and empowering everyone to be leaders. ***This video talks about the Performance Pathway, which describes how leaders create a culture that drives behavior that produces results.*** You can also learn more about the Culture Blueprint and find a link to the full document [here](#).

FHSD High Schools Rank in Top 4% of Ohio

Out of more than 1,000 schools evaluated, Turpin and Anderson High Schools are both ranked in the Top 4% of all high schools in the state of Ohio! This is a wonderful accomplishment and a testament to our talented students and dedicated staff. Both schools are also in the Top 12 for the Greater Cincinnati region! You can learn more in [this article](#).

SAVE THE DATES! FHSD Parent Academy Returns for 2023-2024

We are bringing back the Parent Academy series after positive feedback from the inaugural run last school year! Participants will be able to register for different breakout sessions from a variety of topics each night, allowing for a custom evening that best suits each individual's interests. Specific topics for each night and registration information will be publicized a few weeks prior to the event. Check out the dates below and [click here](#) to learn more and see who is slotted as Featured Speakers!

- Thursday, October 12, 2023
- Thursday, November 30, 2023
- Wednesday, January 24, 2024
- Wednesday, February 28, 2024

Special thanks to the Forest Hills Foundation for Education for their generous support making the series and featured speakers possible. You can learn more about how the Foundation supports students in the district and find information about donating at their website www.fhfe.org.

Attention Sophomore Families: Apply Now for Leadership Program

You should have received an email this week with information about the Aspire Youth Discovery Initiative, which is a leadership development program designed in collaboration with the Anderson Area Chamber of Commerce. The year-long learning series will invite selected sophomores to monthly educational sessions, tours and candid conversations with local business/organizational leaders and takes place during the school day! Students can apply [HERE](#) (the link requires a student Forest Hills Gmail account) and questions can be directed to FHSD's Community Partnership Specialist, Melanie Hartong (melaniehartong@foresthills.edu). This application will close on 09/10/2023 at midnight.

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:
 - [MindPeace](#)
 - [FHSD Family Resource List 22-23](#)

FROM OUR BOOSTER GROUPS:

- **PTO**

Consider SPONSORING a PTO event!

There are multiple opportunities for businesses and families to sponsor a specific PTO event this school year.

[Click here to learn more!](#)

- **FRIENDS OF ANDERSON DRAMA (FAD)**

[CLICK HERE](#) for information about FAD membership!

- **AHS Athletic Boosters**

[CLICK HERE](#) for information about AHS Athletic Booster Memberships!

- **FH BAND BOOSTERS**

[Booster Home - FH BANDS](#) Be a "Booster" = encourage, support, volunteer and raise money for the FHSD Band and Guard Programs grades 5 - 12!

Please join us today, and let's do great things for our musical kids!

Online Membership form and "Donate" button [here](#) 

This is an organization of volunteers, and we appreciate you!