09.15.23 AHS Families,

At Anderson High School, our staff members have the ability to submit Positive Office Referrals whenever they want to give a student a special shout-out for representing our school motto of "Be Real. Be Kind. Be Better." When a teacher does complete a Positive Office Referral, we call the student down and celebrate what it is that they did to get the referral with them and an administrator. That's right, kids can be sent to the office for good news!

I had the pleasure of meeting with about 20 students this week for Positive Office Referrals; and I am so impressed with the maturity and work ethic that came through in the conversations with each student! We have amazing students at AHS, thank you for sharing them with us!

Anderson Proud, Kyle

UPCOMING SCHOOL EVENTS:

- 9/15- Quarter 1 Interim
- 9/22 Homecoming Tailgate, Parade, and Game
- 9/23 Homecoming Dance, 8-11 pm (info below)
- **10/5 Parent Teacher Conferences** (info below)
- 10/20 End of First Quarter
- 10/24 PSAT/ACT Prep Day (info to come)

<u>AHS UPDATES:</u>

VOLLEY FOR THE CURE

Tomorrow (Sept 16) starts at 9AM and benefits Parkinson Support and Wellness! Raffle baskets valued at \$500+, bake sale and 3 great games vs. Harrison!

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. **Ticket sales will stretch from 7am on Monday, 9/18 to 3pm on Thursday, 9/21.** 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.

Look for a separate email on Sunday, September 17th, for more information and purchasing options on tickets.

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.

CELEBRATING & ENCOURAGING STELLAR ATTENDANCE

During the remainder of the first quarter we will be having a friendly competition to see which Advisory in each grade level has the best attendance rate (not counting excused absences)! Individuals with stellar attendance will also be entered into a raffle for potential prizes!

FIRST QUARTER INTERIM INFORMATION

Today marks the first quarter interim marking period. This is a good time to check your child's academic progress on Progress Book. 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.

HIGH SCHOOL CONFERENCES

First semester conferences will be held on Thursday, October 5th. Sign up information will be sent home in a separate communication on Wednesday, September 20th. Conferences will be held in person this year. If you have additional questions about conferences, please contact Emily Bamber at <u>emilybamber@foresthills.edu</u>.

ACT TorchPrep Tutoring

Test prep for the ACT is now available. This link will take you to the TorchPrep website where you can view all the test prep courses in the Cincinnati area. Starting January 23, 2024, we will be offering sessions here at AHS. There will be a total of 8 sessions, and they will take place on Tuesdays from 6pm-9pm. They will also be scheduled on Saturdays from 10am-2pm. If you have any questions, please contact Will Amburgey at <u>willamburgey@foresthills.edu</u>.

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 <u>form</u> so we can celebrate them!

STUDENT PARKING PASS SALES

If you are a student that Reps 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: <u>2023-2024 AHS At A Glance</u>.

DISTRICT UPDATES:

FHSD School Connection Survey - Voluntary Student Survey

Between September 22-October 6, all Forest Hills students will have the opportunity to participate in our FHSD School Connection Survey. Student feedback from this survey will help our teachers, counselors, and administrators gain insight into the 'student experience' with the goal of addressing present needs, while planning for our students' future success. Our hope is that feedback will be used by educators to help better inform classroom instruction, allocate student support services, and identify other school-based needs. The survey will take approximately 20 minutes, is completely voluntary, and will be administered during school hours. Additionally, there are no consequences for students who do not participate, and no information obtained will be stored on a third-party server. To request that your student NOT participate in the survey and to learn more, visit the <u>Student Connection Survey Opt Out Form</u>.

Five Stars on the ODE Report Card!

FHSD is proud to have received a five star overall rating on the ODE Report Card! The state also provided five star ratings for Achievement, Early Literacy, Graduation Rates, and Gap Closing. <u>Take a look at the report card here</u> and be on the lookout for our annual Quality Profile in October that will contain important updates on areas of our achievement beyond the scope of the report card.

Join Us for the Help Build Hope 2023 House Build!

This year's event will support the building of two Habitat for Humanity Homes in Cincinnati! The Help Build Hope 2023 House Build event will be held at **Nagel Middle School on September 30** from 8:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

Friday, September 29 from 4:00-7:00 p.m. will be the precuting of lumber for the wall frames. The building of the walls will be on Saturday, September 30 from 8:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Dinner will be provided Friday night for the precut and a light breakfast and lunch will be provided on Saturday during the build. All lumber and tools are provided. The wall frames will be used locally for two Habitat homes being built on Betts Avenue in Cincinnati.

We hope you will consider joining us in this effort to give back to the community. Registration Link - <u>http://www.helpbuildhope.com/nagelcb</u>

Forest Hills Foundation for Education

Calling FCC & sports fans?!?!

Anderson Autographs will be hosting a <u>signing event with Nick Hagglund, current FCC player</u>. Join us on Thursday, September 21 at Goodfellows from 5:30-7:00 p.m. where you and your family can personally meet Nick and snap a photo and/or autograph. All proceeds benefit FHSD students through the Forest Hills Foundation for Education.

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:
 - o <u>MindPeace</u>
 - 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)

<u>CLICK HERE</u> for information about FAD membership!

• AHS Athletic Boosters

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

Boosters Golf Outing is Oct 8th - 11:30AM Shotgun Start! Register at

<u>https://bit.ly/AHSboostersouting</u>. Email andersonathleticboosters@gmail.com for sponsorship opportunities.

• 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!