09.29.23 AHS Families.

Earlier today I got to help lead a tutoring session for some Algebra II students! For those who don't know, I used to be a math teacher. Factoring quadratics and using the quadratic formula is exactly what I call a good time! The students who asked for some help were so great to work with; they asked amazing questions and were really invested in figuring it all out.

Later, at lunch, one of the students asked me if we could do it again and I, "I sure hope so!" I love working with all of our students; they are awesome!

Anderson Proud, Kyle

UPCOMING SCHOOL EVENTS:

- 10/4 FHSD FC Cincinnati Spirit Day
- **10/5 Parent Teacher Conferences** (info below)
- **10/6 No School for Students** (Teacher Professional Development)
- **10/9 No School** (Fall Break)
- 10/12 FHSD Parent Academy (@ Nagel Middle School)
- 10/20 End of First Quarter
- 10/24 PSAT/ACT Prep Day (info below)

AHS UPDATES:

<u>PSAT</u>

- All 10th graders, and interested 11th graders, will take the PSAT/NMSQT on October 24th, 2023. 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>IUNIOR PSAT REGISTRATION</u>. The **deadline to register is October 5, 2023**. If you do not want to pay the service fee through the ticket office, you can pay with a check. Make checks payable to "AHS".
- 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.

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.

HIGH SCHOOL CONFERENCES

First semester conferences will be held on Thursday, October 5th. Sign up information can be found <u>here</u>. 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>.

FHSD COLLEGE AND CAREER FAIR

The Forest Hills College and Career Fair is on October 16 at Nagel. Representatives from over 120 colleges and career programs will be present to speak with students and families. This is a fantastic opportunity to make connections and gather valuable information. The Fair runs from 6:30-8:00. Parents and students can also attend special informational sessions on college admissions, financial aid, career planning, and NCAA eligibility. More details can be found on the event <u>flyer</u>. The up-to-date list of colleges attending can be found at this <u>link</u>.

COMMUNITY SERVICE - ALL-IN FOOD DRIVE:

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 24.

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 30, 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.

Back by popular demand 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.

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!

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: SAVE THE DATE: Forest Hills College & Career Night 2023

Forest Hills College and Career Night is on Monday, October 16 at Nagel MS. Representatives from more than 90 colleges and career programs will be present to speak with students and families. This is a fantastic opportunity to make connections and gather valuable information. The Fair runs from 6:30-8:00. Parents and students can also attend special informational sessions on college admissions, financial aid, career planning and NCAA eligibility. More details can be found on the event <u>flyer</u>. The up-to-date list of organizations attending can be found at this <u>link</u>.

REGISTER NOW: Parent Academy Night on October 12

The second-annual Parent Academy series returns on Thursday, October 12! The featured speaker will be Stephen Smith from A Wired Family, LLC. His presentation is titled: THE SILENT EXPERIMENT. Social Media & AI: Their Impact On Teens & Tweens. The evening will offer a variety of other topics that families with students of all ages will find relevant! <u>Check out the full list and find registration information here</u>. Thank you to the Forest Hills Foundation for Education for sponsoring this year's series, which will enable FHSD to offer light food and childcare along with engaging featured speakers!

FINAL REMINDER: Sept. 29 and 30—Help Build Hope 2023 House Build!

FHSD is inviting everyone in the community to build wall frames for two Habitat for Humanity Homes in Cincinnati! Help Build Hope 2023 will be held at **Nagel Middle School on September 30 from 8 a.m. - 3 p.m.** People are also welcome to help pre cut the lumber for the wall frames on Friday, September 29 from 4 - 7 p.m.

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>

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**

-Kroger will donate money to Anderson PTO (at no cost to you) every time you shop if you designate "Anderson High School PTO" as your Rewards recipient. It only takes 1 minute! <u>Click here to learn how!</u>

<u>-Click here</u> to learn about the first Staff Treat Trolley of the year. If you want to donate food items or money to help the Treat Trolley be successful, that would be greatly appreciated!

• AFTER-PROM

Third Annual Holiday Wreath Sale to Support Anderson HS After Prom!

Let's start checking items off the holiday to-do list! Anderson HS After Prom is selling holiday wreaths and garland again this year. All proceeds go to After Prom providing a FUN, SAFE, and AFFORDABLE experience for all students.

• For local pick up, we are offering decorated Noble Fir and mixed evergreen wreaths in 2 sizes and garlands. The 22 inch wreaths are similar to last year with no price increase, selling for \$36. We're bringing back the larger 28 inch wreath for \$42 and the 10 foot garland for \$30.

• New this year, you can also have wreaths delivered directly to out of town family or friends.

Orders must be placed by Sunday November 5th.

Wreaths will be available for pick up at AHS on Saturday December 2nd, just in time for holiday decorating. Direct delivery items will be shipped individually and arrival is guaranteed no later than 2 weeks after Thanksgiving.

Use this link to purchase your wreath on-line. Please share with family and friends! <u>https://sherwoodfundraiser.com/AndersonAfterProm</u>

Proceeds from this fundraiser go directly to offset the cost of hosting After Prom and keeping our kids entertained and safe. We appreciate your support!

• 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!