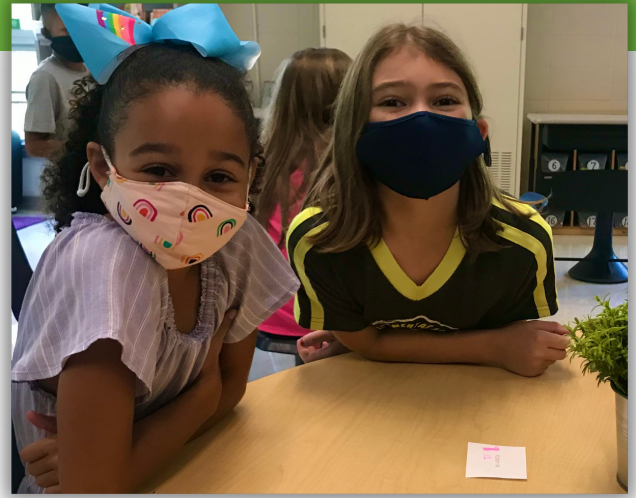




Community Connection



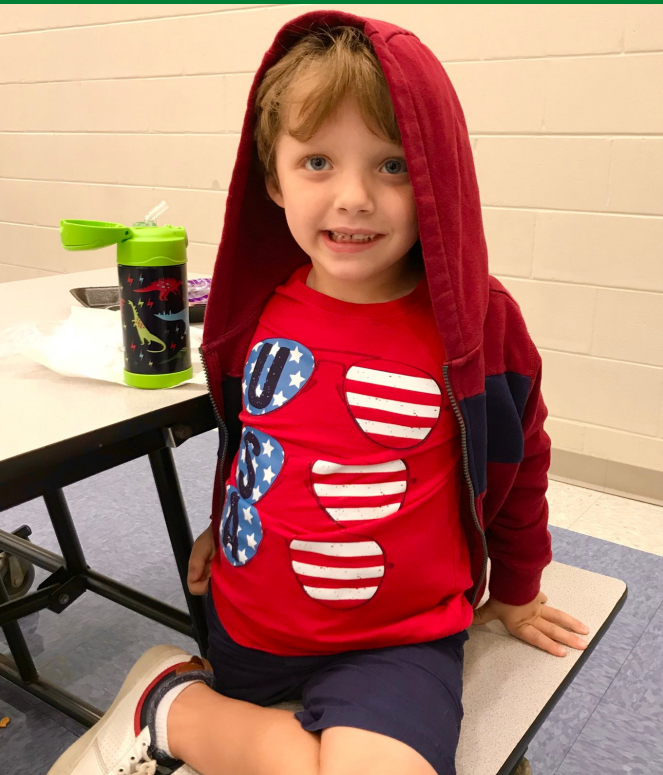
Forest Hills is an A+ School District

Forest Hills School District is pleased to share that once again the district earned an "A+" ranking according to the latest National Niche Report. FHSD educators rank in the top 1% nationwide. Niche rankings are based on academics, student life, and community input.

Forest Hills has a rich tradition and history of promoting and maintaining a standard of academic excellence. Educators and families collaborate to ensure that all students receive high-quality education in safe environments. The district has earned a reputation for academic achievement in the region, state, and nationwide. The rigorous curriculum paired with an extensive variety of extracurricular activities attract families to Forest Hills School District.

From elementary schools to high schools, FHSD continues to earn high honors.

Source: [Niche.com](https://niche.com)



A Message from the Superintendent:

Overall excellence has been, and continues to be, the focus of the Forest Hills School District and it has been my privilege to serve the district's 7,375 students, as well as their families, and district staff. Last year presented considerable obstacles and challenges due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Nonetheless, FHSD students, staff, and families prevailed. Although we are still in the beginning of the 2021-22 school year, our students and staff have already achieved a host of accomplishments!

In September, the National Niche Report ranked FHSD as an "A+" district; the district's educators rank in the top 1% nationwide. U.S. News and World Report ranked Anderson High School and Turpin High School among the top 4% in Ohio. Nagel Middle School is ranked 13th Best Middle School in the Cincinnati region and is once again named a "School to Watch" by the Ohio Department of Education. The district's elementary schools are ranked among the top elementary schools in the Greater Cincinnati region.

It is important to note that these achievements were earned while we navigated the COVID-19 pandemic and its effects on funding, as well as how school districts operated. FHSD remains committed to providing safe learning environments for all students. As such, our staff members continue to maintain high standards as it pertains to health and safety, cleaning practices, and mitigation protocols.

FHSD provides personalized educational experiences that assist each student in achieving the highest level of performance in their instructional and extracurricular settings. Chromebooks have been provided for students, ensuring FHSD students remain at the forefront of technology and have the necessary tools for academic success. Innovation and state-of-the-art educational environments are essential in preparing our students for competitive colleges and employment opportunities.

Please read over the FHSD Quality Profile for a synopsis of the accolades achieved by students, staff, and families. It is my hope that you are as impressed and encouraged by their achievements as I am! We are fortunate to live and work in one of the highest performing school districts in the region, state, and country. I am grateful to continue serving alongside FHSD staff and families and thank you all for your support and continued commitment to our students!




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I continue to be humbled to serve as the superintendent in Forest Hills. We provide high performance at good value to residents in this amazing community.

- Scot T. Prebles,
Superintendent

ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

"Striving to ensure success for all students."



Anderson High School

U.S. News and World Report once again ranked Anderson High School and Turpin High School among the top 4% in Ohio.



Turpin High School

Both high schools earned the ranking based upon reading and math assessments, graduation rates, and college preparation.



Source: U.S. News and World Report

Merit Scholars

FHSD high school students demonstrate exceptional academic ability and potential for success in rigorous college studies. Once again, both Anderson High School and Turpin High School announced Commended Scholars and Semi-finalists in the 2022 National Merit Scholarship Program. **Twenty-one** FHSD high school scholars were recognized by the National Merit Scholarship Corporation as commended and semi-finalists in the National Merit Scholarship Program.



Anderson High School



Turpin High School

Commended Students

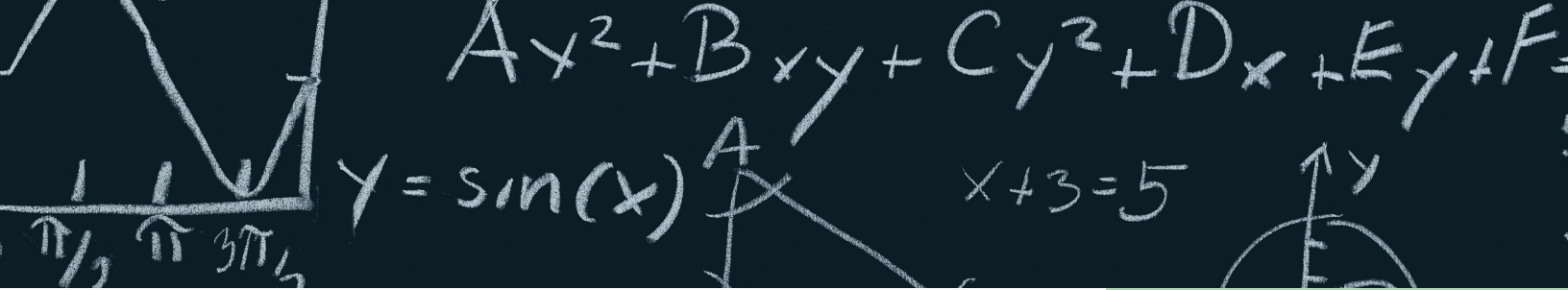
AHS: Nicholas Gundrum, Kathryn Gurski, Owen Newberry, August Pazzo, Faith Specter

THS: Gehrig Baldauf, Brooke Heis, Darik Lindh, Andrew Poellein, Darby Thurston

Semi-finalists

AHS: Andrew Kaepner

THS: Adam Barrett, Joshua Blavat, Fausta Fenner, Lauren Ferguson, Jonathan Lee, Jeffrey Logan, Claire Mengel, Matthew Osterlund, Elissa Ward, Patricia Wells



Prepared for Life Beyond Forest Hills School District



96.5% of students graduate from FHSD high schools within four years.

As part of a rigorous course of study, students have access to more than **160** high school courses including **28** Advanced Placement courses. More than **100** extracurricular activities are offered in the performing arts and athletic programs to provide a well-rounded education.



Anderson High School and Turpin High School students may participate in the district's "**Experienceship**" program. The program partners with area businesses to provide "real world" employment opportunities and business skill development to FHSD students.



Both high schools earned the Governor's Thomas Edison Awards for Excellence in STEM education.

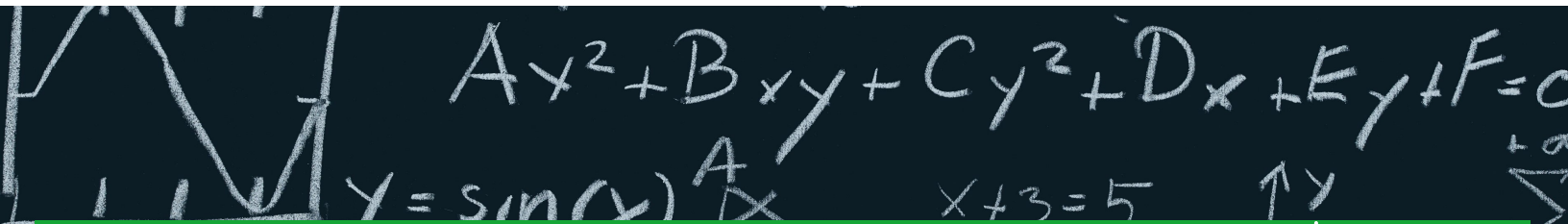
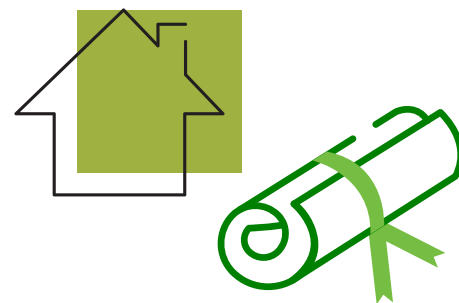
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The district's preschool program earned the Ohio Department of Education (ODE) "Step Up to Quality" **Five-Star quality rating**.

75% of FHSD educators hold a Master's degree with more than **60%** of staff residing in the school district.



EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

*"Providing a well-rounded education
for all students through arts and
athletics programming."*

MUSIC



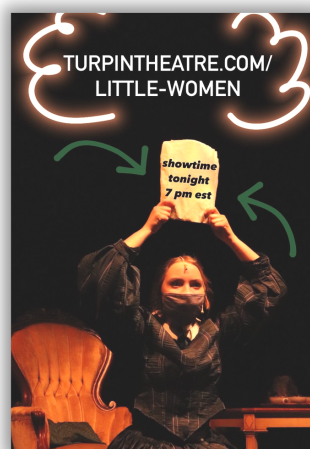
Nagel Middle School

The district was once again honored with the Best Communities for Music Education designation from The National Association of Music Merchants Foundation (NAMM) for its outstanding commitment to music education with choir, band, and orchestra.



THEATRE

Despite ongoing challenges navigating the COVID-19 pandemic, student-driven performances were held before limited audiences in safe environments. Theatre classes promote student creativity and develop artistic talents, part of a well-rounded educational experience.



Turpin High School



Anderson High School

ATHLETICS



Spartans Tennis



Raptors Football

All FHSD grade levels are provided athletic opportunities including 36 teams for 10 different sports at Nagel and 56 athletic teams for 28 different sports at Anderson and Turpin. Each year, several athletic teams and coaches also earn Eastern Cincinnati Conference honors.

FISCAL STEWARDSHIP

"FHSD offers high-quality education at an affordable operating cost."



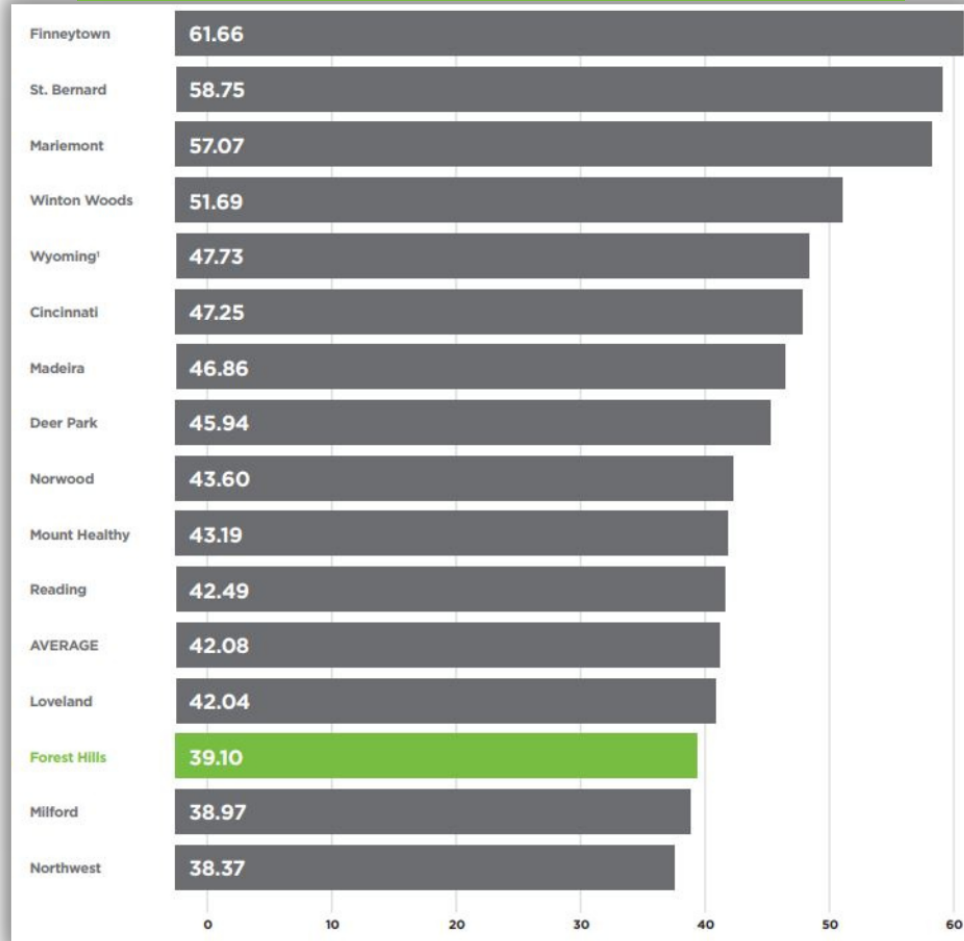
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We will continue to manage our finances the way we always have—with a focus on the classroom.

- Alana Cropper,
Treasurer



FHSD is one of the highest performing school districts in Hamilton County and is also below the average residential tax rate in the area. This is one way the district provides an excellent return on investment.



Maximizing Every Dollar! Cost-Savings and Recent Reductions Include:

- ✓ Contracting with a new power supplier to reduce electricity rates, saving the district approximately \$44,400 per year.
- ✓ Reduction of employee positions due to attrition and retirement, \$750,000 per year.
- ✓ Reduction of building/departmental budgets, \$60,000 per year.
- ✓ The district has been awarded an EPA project for 3 handicapped buses, saving the district \$341,331 in our upcoming fiscal year.



2020-2021 Ohio Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports District Recognition

Forest Hills School District has received districtwide recognition for success in our buildings with Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS).

PBIS is a preventative and systematic approach that emphasizes the high-quality implementation of evidence-based practices, use of data for decision making and organization of support to assist all students with meeting school expectations and with achieving success.

PBIS has been shown to improve student achievement, student behavior and school climate. Last Spring, the Forest Hill School District applied for and earned recognition at the district level in the state of Ohio. FHSD is one of only 17 Ohio districts to be recognized at this level of distinction. Forest Hills will be honored at the 2021 Ohio PBIS Showcase in conjunction with the Ohio Leadership Advisory Council (OLAC) on December 9, 2021, at a virtual conference event.



The **Forest Hills Foundation for Education** is so proud to support all 7,300+ students at Forest Hills through:

- Student Health and Wellness
- Access to Innovative Initiatives **no matter which school your child attends**
- Hands-On Experiential Programs

Raising additional private funding is needed now more than ever and the Foundation is here to help!

Honor Your Student(s) Campaign in 2021

What a great time of year to honor your **current or former** student(s) by making a \$20.21 donation to the Forest Hills Foundation. Send your students a personal email message when making your gift that will have an impact on ALL Forest Hills students.



Fall Soiree | November 6 Allies of Mental Wellness

It's not too late to attend the **party of the season**, the Foundation's Fall Soiree at Ivy Hills Country Club - and it's snappy casual!

Not available or maybe this isn't your scene? You can still make a donation and/or participate in the online auction. You could be the lucky winner of a Napa or Florida vacation, Perfect North passes, or a personal chef dinner at your home!



Learn more about the Forest Hills Foundation for Education at www.fhfe.org.

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2021 School Board Meeting Dates

- November 22
- December 13 (2nd Monday)



LOCATION:

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