

Turpin High School Parent Newsletter

August 30, 2024

We've officially wrapped up our first full week of school! The turnout for Open House was fantastic, and we appreciate all the parents who attended. If you were not able to make it to Open House, don't hesitate to contact your child's teachers with any questions you might have. Have a wonderful Labor Day weekend and we'll see the students back on Tuesday! Go Spartans!

Upcoming Social Isolation Instruction for All Students:

Next week, all Turpin students will participate, through FLEX, in an important program designed to help them recognize and reduce social isolation among their peers. Using the state-approved "Start with Hello" curriculum, students will learn how to identify classmates who may feel isolated and what actions they can take to help them feel included and supported at school.

This initiative is part of the evidence-based instruction requirement that began last school year under Ohio House Bill 123 (Safety & Violence Education Students Act). We believe this program will play a vital role in fostering a more connected and caring school community.

ACT READINESS DAY- Pre-ACT and Practice ACT:

- On **Thursday, September 12th** 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 its normal schedule on September 13th. Students not leaving after their testing dismissal time will attend study hall in the cafeteria until 2:40.***

Parking Pass Pick-Up:

If your student has not picked up their parking pass they can do so at lunch on Monday. After Monday, students will need to see Mr. Casanova in the academic office to pick up their pass.

Medication Drop Off Times:

If you have not dropped off your child's medication for this school year please reach out to our school nurse to schedule a time to drop off your medication. Her email address erinnzaugg@foresthills.edu.

Out of Town/Vacation Attendance Process:

If a student is going to be out of town or on vacation, parents are required to submit, in writing, to the building administration their intent to take the student out of school and include dates. The intended vacation will then be submitted to the District level for approval. Once the absence has been approved the parent will be notified and students will be allowed to make up missed work. Please submit all requests to Camey Eberhard at cameyeberhard@foresthills.edu

THS Testing Schedule for 24-25

To help provide more information about each test administered at Turpin High School this year, the administrative team has put together a [testing at-a-glance document](#) with dates that each assessment will be given this year, when to expect results/score reports, and an explanation of the purpose of each assessment. Mr. Casanova and Dr. Warren will be communicating with students and families about each upcoming assessment. If you have any questions related to testing, please reach out to Mr. Casanova @ jpcasanova@foresthills.edu or Dr. Warren @ ashleywarren@foresthills.edu.

Turpin Athletic Booster Information for Incoming 9th Grade Families

Do you have an incoming 9th grader who is not in a fall sport but is interested in playing winter and/or spring sports? The Turpin Athletic Boosters would love to connect with you. No Athletic Boosters membership is required, we would like to keep in touch! Go to <https://bit.ly/THSBoosterInfoG9> to stay informed.

Student Device Monitoring Notice

FHSD is providing notice to all families that it conducts internal monitoring of school-issued devices, a measure that is necessary to participate in certain state and federal funding programs. This monitoring includes student interactions with a school-issued device, including web-browsing activity. This monitoring **DOES NOT** include location-tracking features of a school-issued device, or audio or visual receiving, transmitting, or recording features of a school-issued device. If a circumstance related to school safety or student behavior prompts our staff to conduct a more extensive search of a

specific device, that student's family will be notified within 72 hours of the search. The 72-hour notice must include a written description of the triggering circumstance, identifying which features of the device were accessed and a description of the threat, if any. If notice would pose a threat to life or safety, it must instead be given within 72 hours after the threat has ceased, in compliance with [Ohio Senate Bill 29](#).

Sophomore Families: Check Your Email for a Unique Student Program

Students currently enrolled in 10th grade are invited to apply for the second year of our Aspire Youth Discovery Initiative! This year-long learning series is designed to expand their self-awareness, employability skills and leadership potential. Please check for an email that was sent on Thursday with additional information and a link for your student to apply. Can't find the email? Reach out to Community Partnership Specialist Melanie Hartong (melaniehartong@foresthills.edu) for details. Special thank you to the Anderson Area Chamber of Commerce, the Bob & Jeanne Coughlin Foundation and the Forest Hills Foundation for Education for making this program possible.

Forest Hills Foundation for Education

Welcome back to school, Forest Hills! Did you know?? The Forest Hills Foundation for Education was able to provide over \$230,000 in grants in the 2023-24 school year! Thanks to the generous support of our community, we were able to support ALL Forest Hills students with various enrichment opportunities that support STEAM, the arts, wellness, and literacy. We couldn't do it without you! [DONATE today](#) to invest in the success of all our students!

Community Events

You can also visit our [flyers webpage here](#) that has updates on other fun events and activities, including the following items:

- Anderson HS Game Day VIP Experience for Grades 1-6 | [Flyer](#)
- Please click the [flyers webpage link](#) for information about Cub Scouts informational sessions and contact information that is unique to different schools. Some info sessions have passed, so please reach out directly to the assigned contact for more information.
- The [flyers webpage](#) also has information about multiple after-school Spanish class opportunities for elementary students.

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 your student is experiencing a non-life threatening mental health crisis and you need direction on next steps to stay safe, we urge you to call the Psychiatric Intake Response Center (PIRC) at Cincinnati Children's Hospital. The PIRC line is 513.636.4124. This line is staffed 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.
- If you are seeking additional resources, we encourage you to start at the links below:
 - [MindPeace](#)
 - [FHSD Family Resource List](#)