

December 1. 2023

Afternoon Dismissal Reminder

Recently we experienced a concerning incident where a car attempted to pass a moving bus during dismissal, resulting in a near accident. To ensure the safety of our students and everyone involved we need your cooperation with afternoon dismissal. Never attempt to pass a moving bus once it's in motion. Please refrain from moving your vehicle when our buses are in motion rolling out of the parking lot. Doing so could pose potential risks and potentially lead to accidents. We recognize that everyone is eager to leave the parking lot at the end of the day but please be patient so we can get everyone out of the lot safely.

Semester Exams

First semester exams will be held on the final four days prior to the Winter Break, December 12 through December 15. Please see the <u>exam schedule</u>. Take note that on December 13, 14, and 15, students will have two exams per day and will be dismissed at 11:00am. Our normal afternoon bus routes will run at 11:00am on those days and no lunches will be provided in the cafeteria.

PSAT/NMSQT Scores

Scores are available for students that took the PSAT in October to access through their online College Board accounts. For information to assist understanding scores please access the following document (<u>Understanding Scores For Students and Families</u>).

TorchPrep ACT Boot Camp

TorchPrep will be holding an ACT test prep course that meets on Wednesdays and Saturdays at Turpin High School for Juniors in preparation for the February 27th free ACT provided to all 11th grade students. To see the course fee, dates, and registration please visit the registration page: TorchPrep + Turpin: ACT Boot Camp Starting in January.

Sophomore Parents - Great Oaks Update

Great Oaks <u>Applications</u> for the 2024-2025 school year are now live. For the best chance of acceptance students are highly encouraged to apply by February 6th. Great Oaks offers over 30 programs for high school students on four campuses (Live, Scarlet, Diamond, and Laurel). Check out these <u>virtual tours</u> of the labs and equipment students use to prepare for careers, college, and life. Please reach out to your student's School Counselor if you have any questions.

Fall State Testing

Next week students in 1st semester Government will be taking the state test on Tuesday, December 6th from 8am-11am. At the completion of the test students will return to class. Students will take the exam on their school laptops. Please assist in reminding students to bring fully charged laptops to school on that day. Make-up test dates are Thursday, 12/7 and Friday, 12/8.

District-Wide Spirit Day - Team Up for Wellness on Dec. 4

All students and staff members are encouraged to wear jerseys, shirts or colors representing their favorite sports teams! Join us as we come together as a school district to have fun and celebrate our passions!

Mark Your Calendar: 9United's Community Shopping is Dec. 6!

Join us to shop! 9United invites you to Community Shopping Night at Target on Beechmont Ave, where the money raised during school coin collections will be put to good use supporting 9United's local partners, Jack's Closet and IPM! The event runs from 4-7 p.m. on Dec. 6.

It's more than a shopping night - it's a celebration of all nine Forest Hills schools and our community being #UnitedInGenerosity to make an impact where we live, learn, work & play! Learn more about 9United and how you can get involved at <u>www.9united.org</u>.

JUDGES NEEDED!

Do you have an affinity for science and engineering? Are you looking for a way to give back to our community? Please consider serving as a judge at the Forest Hills School District Science Fair! You need not be an expert in any field, rather, just have a willingness to help our great kids! To register as a judge, <u>please sign up HERE</u>. The event takes place on Saturday, January 27, 2024 from 8:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. at Nagel Middle School.

Thank you for your consideration! Our goal is to get each student at least 3 visits from judges, so your participation is critical to helping our students. Questions? Please email Shane Hartley, Secondary Director of Teaching & Learning: shanehartley@foresthills.edu

Community Events

You can also visit our <u>flyers webpage here</u> that has updates on other fun events and activities, including registration information for <u>FREE after school programs through the Boys and Girls</u> <u>Clubs of Greater Cincinnati</u>! You can also find a <u>flyer for the upcoming AHS Orchestras</u> <u>performance of Nutcracker</u> happening THIS SATURDAY and information about <u>Anderson</u> <u>Fastpitch Softball signups</u>. Click <u>here</u> to register now! T-Ball is available for 6U! Questions? Email <u>andersonfastpitchsoftball@gmail.com</u>

2024 "BOOTS AND BLING" AFTER PROM

Every year a team of volunteers transform our school with incredible decorations and food and drink stations. Annual After Prom attractions include a gym full of giant inflatables, classrooms transformed to host a variety of interactive games and activities, the famous "Snake Guy", Scallywag Tag, raffles and prizes and so much more. Unique to this year's "Boots & Bling" theme is a mechanical bull, new hypnotist, and the auxiliary gym transformed into a "Saloon" with a giant coffee bar and line dancing.

After Prom is funded entirely by family and business donations and ticket sales. Our Turpin community comes together to donate money, goods, services, and time to create a safe and fun environment for our kids to enjoy on Prom night. This winter we are offering three ways that you can GIVE generously while also receiving!

Mercantile on Main shopping day: Shop local and purchase holiday gifts while donating to After Prom. After Prom generously receives 10% of the day's sales. Thursday December 14th 11 am-6 pm.

Pure Barre & Club Pilates donation classes: Purchase one class for \$25 OR purchase two classes for \$40. Makes a great holiday gift! Take a class yourself (or one of each!), bring your college student while they are home on break, or gift a class to a friend, babysitter or spouse. After Prom receives 100% of the donations received for these four events.

Club Pilates #1 Sunday January 7th @ 12 pm Club Pilates #2 Saturday January 13th @ 1 pm Pure Barre #1 Wednesday January 10th @ 6 pm Pure Barre #2 Saturday January 13th @ 1 pm

Sign up for class at https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0A4FABAF2A1-46451847-pure and pay via Venmo @Alison-Riley-12 or cash/check to Turpin After Prom in school office

Anderson Township Pub Basketball Tailgate with guest bartenders: Join us at ATP Thursday January 4th the night before the Turpin vs. Anderson basketball game. We receive a portion of food/drink sales ALL DAY and will also feature guest bartenders serving from 6-9 pm in the heated outdoor tent. Drink responsibly and tip generously at this fun event! Guest bartenders to be announced on social media...

Spartan Staff Shout Out

Parents, please feel free to use <u>form</u> to express your gratitude or to otherwise positively acknowledge a Turpin staff member. Staff members will receive a keepsake letter with your positive comments included!

Important Links

 Turpin Counselor Connection Newsletter

 Senior Scoop

 Turpin Athletics

 Turpin Theatre

 Turpin Orchestra Booster Association

 Forest Hills Bands

 Turpin PTO: Membership

 Turpin Athletic Boosters

 Membership & Sports Passes

 Turpin Spirit Shop hours & online store

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: <u>MindPeace</u> <u>FHSD Family Resource List 23-24</u>

UPCOMING EVENTS

| 4 dec, mon ● | 7 – 9pm | Choir Concert Turpin High School - Auditorium |
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| 5 dec, tue | 7 – 8pm | Band Booster Meeting Location TBD |
| 6 DEC, WED • | 8 – 11am 7 – 9pm | Ohio State Tests - 1st semester Government Band Concert Turpin High School - Auditorium |
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