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Turpin Weekly Parent Newsletter

February 23, 2024

Sources of Strength Implemented at Turpin

Sources of Strength is a peer-to-peer evidenced-based, state-endorsed program that is designed to help promote a positive school culture and increase students' strengths. All FHSD secondary schools have implemented the Sources of Strength program this school year. Turpin has 60 students who volunteered to be Peer Leaders for the program. These Peer Leaders meet twice a month to plan fun and engaging activities where all students learn about the Strengths Wheel and how to rely on their many strengths when faced with challenges. This spring, Turpin students will participate in activities related to **What Helps Me**, who are my **Trusted Adults**, and how do I **Connect** with resources to get help when I need it. Learn more about the Sources of Strength program here. Read more about the Sources Wheel of Strengths so that you might support your child in identifying and using their strengths.

Counseling Group Offered

Many students are still learning how to build relationships, make decisions, and regulate emotions. The Turpin counseling department is currently offering a Skills Training for Emotional Problem Solving group in response to current student needs. The curriculum of the Skills Training for Emotional Problem Solving group will focus on identifying and regulating emotions, tolerating distress, solving problems, decision-making skills, and building and repairing relationships. The group will be held during the school day during Flex Time each week and will run for approximately 8 to 12 sessions. If you'd like more information about the group or to express interest in your child participating, please contact Turpin's school psychologist, Dr. Carrie Urshel, at carrieurshel@foresthills.edu.

SAVE THE DATE: FH Bands Spaghetti Dinner | March 16

Please join the FH Band Boosters for their 61st Annual Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser! The event takes place at Nagel Middle School and has everything: Student-performed MUSIC, great FOOD donated by LaRosas, and FUN (Lucky Notes & Silent Auction). Buy dinner tickets (dine in/take out) for the family: Spaghetti Dinner Info & Tickets. Want to help out? Volunteer!

SPARTANRAMA - Purchase your tickets today!

Don't miss out on purchasing your ticket(s) to this year's Spartanrama event being held on Saturday, March 16th at the Ivy Hills Country Club. Spartanrama is an annual fundraiser, hosted by Turpin Athletic Boosters to enhance the athletic experience for 900+ student-athletes, 750+ events, 100+ coaches, 61 teams and 27 programs!

Tickets can be purchased <u>here</u>. Each ticket purchase includes dinner, 2 drink tickets, music, silent auction and a live auction featuring some amazing items!

Event attire is casual and in honor of St. Patrick's Day we encourage you to order and wear the "Limited Edition" green Turpin T-Shirt now available for purchase in the spirit shop. We are looking forward to seeing you there!

College Credit Plus Information Meeting, February 27

There will be a makeup meeting for anyone who was unable to attend the meeting last week. It will be held at **Anderson HS on February 27, at 6:30 p.m.** A CCP advisor from UC will be in

attendance to answer questions. An annual meeting and enrollment forms are required, even if you have attended in the past.

11th Grade ACT (Free)

On Tuesday, February 27, 2024 all students in 11th grade will be provided the ACT for **free**. This administration is provided by the state. All registration for the test is completed by Turpin High School. Students/Families do not need to register. This administration is paper/pencil and will only be administered at Turpin High School from 8am to approximately 12:00-12:30 pm. Once testing has finished 11th grade students will be permitted to leave the building for the day. Bus services will run on a normal daily schedule (8 am arrival & 2:40 pm dismissal). If students plan to ride the bus a study hall will be available after testing until 2:40. This is for Juniors only. All students in 9th,10th,and 12th grades will attend school as a typical day.

Mental Health and Suicide Prevention with Hilinski's Hope | March 4

All community members are invited to a presentation with the Hilinski's Hope Foundation on Monday, March 4. Thanks to support from the Forest Hills Foundation for Education, Anderson High School is hosting the Hilinski's Hope Foundation to lead a community discussion from 6:30-8:30 p.m. in Titus Auditorium. You can learn more about the event and find a link to RSVP in our news article here.

FHSD Parent Academy Nights and Community Wellness Fair

Join us on February 28 for the next Parent Academy Night! Topics include executive functioning, vaping, drugs and alcohol in the digital age, roundtables with Anderson, Turpin and Nagel administrators, summer reading tips and more! You can find a <u>list of sessions/topics and a link to register for the event here.</u>

Join us on March 18 for a Community Wellness Fair and the final Parent Academy Night! FHSD is welcoming dozens of local businesses and organizations to give the community a chance to explore health and wellness resources. Guests can also stay to view an engaging presentation by Dr. Bill Daggett, a national leader in innovative education, about preparing youth for the future ahead and not the past we're leaving behind.

The district thanks the <u>Forest Hills Foundation for Education</u> for its ongoing support of the 2023-2024 Parent Academy series, and we also thank <u>Hamilton County Public Health</u> for making the March 18 event possible.

Mock Interview Workshop for High School Students | Feb. 28

The FHSD Community Partnership Program invites all high school students to participate in Pizza with Professionals during Parent Academy Night on Feb. 28! Business owners and professionals from the community will spend the evening supporting student growth with a mock interview, networking and resume building workshop. This is a great opportunity for students interested in part-time work, attending college after school or entering military service or the workforce! Interested students can register for the event here.

Spread the Word! Kindergarten Open Houses | March 7

If you or someone you know has a child nearing kindergarten age, all FHSD elementary schools are holding open houses on Thursday, March 7 from 6:45-7:45 p.m.! This is a great way to see what it's like inside the kindergarten classrooms, meet with staff and learn more about

kindergarten at FHSD. Families can also use this as an opportunity to drop off necessary registration paperwork and ask questions about the process. To learn more about kindergarten at FHSD, please visit www.foresthills.edu/kindergarten

Interest Meetings for Upcoming International Travel Opportunities

Germany and Switzerland: Sustainable Living – Summer of 2025

This is a STEM focused trip! Students who have completed high school Biology by 6/1/2024 and are in good standing, received a grade of B or better are invited to attend the meeting to learn more and register for the trip. The trip is designed for students currently enrolled in grades nine and ten. Come and learn more about this opportunity to put science and travel together!

Register for an interest meeting here: https://rsvp.eftours.com/jhwx2z7

The Alps and Mediterranean Coast: Renaissance, Geography, History - Spring of 2025 Come explore with us on a four country jump, from Zurich to Barcelona, in the spring of 2025. Students who are currently in 8th grade through 11th are eligible with proof of good academic/behavior standings, completion of your history courses with a B or better. Register for the interest meeting here: https://rsvp.eftours.com/nd729t4

Both meetings are Monday, February 26 at 7:30 p.m. in the Nagel Learning Commons.

Community Events

You can also visit our <u>flyers webpage here</u> that has updates on other fun events and activities, including the following items:

- Classroom Antics STEAM Summer Camps for Ages 7-14
- Mental Health Webinar Series directed to parents from the Hamilton County ESC. The next event is Feb. 27 and discusses establishing healthy boundaries.
- Anderson Fastpitch Softball Registration

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 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
 - o FHSD Family Resource List 23-24

UPCOMING EVENTS

26 гев, мон	• 7:30 – 8:30pm	Interest Meetings for International Travel Opportunities Nagel MS Learning Commons
27 FEB, TUE	8am - 12:30pm6:30 - 8pm	ACT Testing Turpin High School – Auxiliary Gymnasium College Credit Plus Information Night Anderson HS - Titus Auditorium
28 FEB, WED	6:30 – 8pm6:30 – 8pm	FHSD Parent Academy Nagel Middle School Mock Interview, Networking and Resume Workshop Nagel Middle School
1 MAR, FRI	• 7 – 9pm	Mercer 6th Grade Variety Show Turpin Auditorium
4 MAR, MON	• 7 – 9pm	Band Concert Turpin Auditorium
5 MAR, TUE	• 7 – 8pm	Band Booster Meeting Nagel MS Band Room
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