

<u>March 15. 2024</u>

Administration Update for 2024-2025

I am writing to notify our Turpin community that pending school board approval next Tuesday, Brian Lee will accept a position in another school district effective next school year. For the past 11 years, Brian has served the students and staff of Turpin High School, first as an Assistant Principal, and most recently as our Associate Principal. Prior to that, Brian worked as Turpin's Band Director for 8 years. Throughout his 19 years, he has done a great job and will be deeply missed. With that said, please join me in wishing Brian well in his future endeavors and thanking him for his many years of dedication to Turpin High School and the Forest Hills School District.

Understandably, we are committed to finding the best possible candidate for this important position and will begin an extensive search process following Brian's approval next week. I truly believe that a school like Turpin, and district like Forest Hills, will attract many excellent candidates.

Spartanrama- Silent Auction Live through March 16th at 9:00pm - Bid, Bid, Bid

Spartanrama is tomorrow night! Thank you to all who have purchased tickets, made donations and to our amazing sponsors. If you are unable to attend the event, there is still an opportunity to support Turpin Boosters' largest fundraiser of the year. Check out the silent auction items <u>here.</u>

But make sure you hurry, the auction site is open through tomorrow, March 16th, at 9:00pm EDT. Don't miss the opportunity to check out the amazing items available to bid on including vacation destinations, concert experiences, summer camps, jewelry, handbags, bourbon and much more. And may the odds be ever in your favor!

61st Annual Spaghetti Dinner THIS SATURDAY (March 16)

Come ALL to this BAND-tastic event Saturday, March 16: FHBands/LaRosas Spaghetti Dinner and Silent Auction Fundraiser! There will be Larosa's spaghetti for dine in or take-out, concerts, and so many must-have auction items. Bid on LEGOS, Gaming Table, Lotto baskets, Solo Stove and more. Tickets sold at the door starting at 3:30 p.m. at Nagel Middle School. Check <u>spaghettidinner.weebly.com</u> for more information!

Senior Parents

As the end of the year approaches, please be sure to keep up with all of the important events and information in our <u>Senior Scoop</u>. It's your one-stop shop to answer any questions you may have about graduation and the end of Senior year.

State Testing Schedule:

Turpin High School will be administering state assessments in April this school year. All tests will be taken electronically through the Ohio State Test Portal at Turpin High School. Turpin will administer 6 state tests (English 10, Algebra 1, Geometry, Biology, US History, and Government). Students take the test that is aligned with the course they are currently in (example: A student is in Algebra I, they will take the Algebra I state test). Students testing will

begin at 8am on all test days, and then attend regular classes. For those not testing on a particular date (see below), classes will be on a 2-hour delay schedule. Busing will run on a normal daily schedule (8am arrival and 2:40 dismissal). Students that ride the bus and are not testing will have a study hall in the cafeteria until the start of the school day.

- Thursday, April 11, 2024 OST English 10 Part 1 (8am-10am)
- Friday, April 12, 2024 OST English 10 Part 2 (8am-10am)
- English 10 Make-Up Testing Dates are April 15 19
- Tuesday, April 16, 2024: OST Algebra I & Geometry Part 1 (8am-10am)
- Wednesday, April 17, 2024: OST Algebra I & Geometry Part 2 (8am-10am)
- Thursday, April 18, 2024: OST Biology, US History, Government (8am-10am)
- Math/Science/Social Studies Make-Up Testing Dates are April 19 2.

Student Medications, Including Over-the-Counter

Just a reminder all medication needs to be dropped off by a parent or guardian. Students are not permitted to bring in medications for daily administration or for field trips. The only exception is for emergency medications for chronic illnesses such as diabetes, food allergies and asthma. These medications still require a Medication Permission Form. If you have any questions please email erinnzaugg@foresthills.edu

2022-2023 Yearbook Purchase Opportunity

Last year's yearbook, for anyone who would like to purchase an extra one, will be available for purchase on Friday, March 22nd during Flex in room 206! Please send your child with a check made payable to THS Yearbook for \$85 or exact cash! Alumni are still receiving their books through the mail, so I want to make sure to give them enough time to purchase one, if they didn't already! Also, make sure to order this year's book at <u>www.jostens.com</u> before prices increase! Any questions, feel free to email anniewelsh@foresthills.edu

FINAL REMINDER: FHSD's Community Wellness Fair and Parent Academy | March 18

Our Community Wellness Fair will run from 5:30-8:30 p.m. and feature more than 40 local businesses and organizations in areas like fitness, medicine, mental health, nutrition and much more! Stop by for a chance to win raffles and prize giveaways! Guests are also invited to attend a presentation on the future of education with Dr. Bill Daggett, a national leader in innovative education. This portion begins at 6:30 p.m., to allow individuals to attend both events. The Community Wellness Fair and Parent Academy will take place at Nagel Middle School. <u>Click here to find more information!</u> Many thanks to <u>Hamilton County Public Health</u> and the <u>Forest Hills Foundation for Education</u> for making this evening possible.

Dart Wars

Over the last several years, many students at Anderson, Turpin and schools across SW Ohio have participated in a game called Dart Wars. This can go on for multiple weeks as teams compete with either Nerf darts or homemade devices to earn points by hitting members of opposing teams. FHSD wants to make sure that the parent community understands that this is NOT a school-sponsored or supported activity. The game is not allowed to be played on any district property and it is not allowed to interfere with learning during the school day. This includes communication that is verbal or through social media that could interfere with the educational environment.

We encourage families to speak with their students about this activity and consider the potential risks associated with a game like this being played in different parts of our community. Again, the district does not support or encourage this game to be played, and it is prohibited from school campuses for safety concerns. We are sharing this information with families because spring is the time of year when the activity typically occurs.

Nominate an Outstanding Educator!

Each year, FHSD submits nominees for the Hamilton County Education Foundation Celebrate Excellence awards and the Anderson Area Chamber of Commerce Teacher of the Year award. Please take a moment to nominate an FHSD educator who you believe deserves special recognition this year! Form: <u>https://forms.gle/u6DgkyBKBnHhEYFVA</u>

REMINDER: No School for Students on March 18 and 19

The academic calendar was adjusted in January to include a non-school day for students on the presidential primary election day, when an influx of visitors is possible for schools that serve as polling locations. <u>Click here for additional details.</u>

Anderson and Turpin Film Programs Present 2024 Mainstage Film Head Case | March 15 & 16

This original motion picture is entirely produced by Anderson and Turpin students! *Head Case* is written and directed by Anderson HS senior Chrisanthi Burch and scored by Turpin HS junior Joshua Yamaguchi. It tells the story of employees of a run down movie theater who have to decide what to do with a mysterious briefcase. Exploring various ways mental health challenges and is handled by the current generation, Head Case turns the lens of the camera on those of us who struggle with our own mental health and how we help or hinder those around us. Please consider the topics addressed when deciding whether to bring young students to the premiere. Learn more about the show <u>here</u>. Tickets can be purchased through the <u>Anderson Film website here</u>.

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:

- Heart Church Easter Egg Drop at Nagel MS | Saturday, March 23 from 10-11 a.m.
- Anderson Athletic Boosters Summer Camps 2024 | Various Grades K-8 (<u>Flyer</u> <u>Registration Link</u>)

Important Links

 Turpin Counselor Connection Newsletter

 Senior Scoop

 Turpin Athletics

 Turpin Theatre

 Turpin Orchestra Booster Association

 Forest Hills Bands

 Turpin PTO

 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
 - FHSD Family Resource List 23-24

UPCOMING EVENTS

15 mar, fri	 All day 	End of Quarter 3
16 MAR, SAT	 4 - 7pm 7 - 11pm 	FH Bands Spaghetti Dinner - time TBA Nagel Middle School Spartanrama Ivy Hills Country Club
18 MAR, MON	 All day 	No School - Teacher PD (Day 1/2)
19 MAR, TUE	All day7 - 8pm	No School - Teacher PD (Day 2/2) Turpin Orchestra Booster Meeting
20 MAR, WED	• 8:30 - 9:30am	Turpin PTO meeting Main Office Conference Room
22 MAR, FRI	• 9am - 2:40pm	Sophomore Leadership Day Turpin High School Auxiliary Gym
24 MAR, SUN	• 2 – 4pm	OMEA District 14 Honor Jazz Band Concert Turpin Auditorium