

10.18.24

AHS Family,

Somehow, someway today marks the end of the first academic quarter of the 2024-2025 school year- time flies when you're having fun! We have had a tremendous first quarter at Anderson High School in all of the three A's. Academically, we received recognition from CollegeBoard on the Advanced Placement Honor Roll- Gold Level. In the Arts, we have had top notch concerts across the board and incredible performances from our Marching Band in competitions. In Athletics, we are in the midst of the most successful athletic season in school history. These are all truly a reflection of the entire school community- students, staff, and families!

Have a great weekend!

Anderson Proud,
Kyle

UPCOMING SCHOOL EVENTS:

- **10/18 - End of First Quarter**
- **10/22 - PSAT Day, ACT Practice, and Freshmen Day of Service** (more info to come)
 - Grade 9: Freshmen Day of Service
 - Grade 10: PSAT Test Day
 - Grade 11: ACT student workshop & PSAT for students who opt in
 - Grade 12: College visit/career day
- **10/25 - Q1 Report Cards Available on ProgressBook**
- **10/31 - [Senior Halloween Parade](#)**
- **10/31 - AHS PTO Student Appreciation Treats**
- **11/4 - Secondary Building Have School** (No school for elementary)
- **11/5 - No School for Students** (Teacher Professional Development Day)
- **11/22 - Second Quarter Interim**
- **11/27-29 - No School (Thanksgiving Break)**
- **12/20 - End of Second Quarter/First Semester**
- **1/7 - Students Return from Winter Break**

AROUND AHS:



AHS INFO:

END OF QUARTER 1

Today marks the end of the first quarter of the school year. Report cards will be posted on Friday, October 25th. Early next week, information will be shared with parents on how to access Report Cards online, via Progressbook. If you are not able to access ProgressBook at this time, please email parenthelp@foresthills.edu.

PSAT

- All 10th graders, and interested 11th graders, will take the PSAT/NMSQT on **October 22nd, 2024**.
- **10th Grade-** Sophomores are pre-registered for this assessment and have already submitted payment through their student fees.
- 11th grade students testing, will report to their testing room.
- 11th grade students not testing will report to their ACT prep classroom in the Science Hallway.
- All 12th grade students may use this day as an additional opportunity to job shadow or visit colleges/universities.
- Freshman will participate in the Freshman Day of Service on this date. They will report to a classroom that will be communicated to them.
- Testing and the other activities will begin promptly at 8am on this date. **STUDENTS MUST BE ON TIME.**
- **ALL STUDENTS TESTING MUST USE THEIR FULLY CHARGED AHS DEVICE.**
- Freshman thru Juniors will be dismissed approximately between 11/11:30.

- Lunch will be available for Freshman thru Juniors from 11:00-11:30 if they stay in the building after dismissal. Busing will also be provided at the typical time of day. Students who need to remain on campus will utilize the cafeteria for a study hall.

Community Service - ALL-IN Food Drive

The All-In Food Drive is ramping up! Anderson High School has a special role in this event, as we have a month-long collection of food items, which culminates with the packing of thousands of Power Packs during our Freshman Day of Service on October 22.

Back by popular demand this year - Parents can donate items from the IPM wish list for our Power Packs by simply clicking on Amazon and having the items shipped directly to AHS! Use the [Amazon.com Wish List](#) for easy, one-click donations for this important cause.

As has been done in the past, student volunteers will be stationed at the Anderson Kroger all day on Saturdays and Sundays, beginning on September 28, to collect groceries and monetary donations. The students will have a specific shopping list for customers to use while purchasing items, and then will collect those items as customers leave the store.

There is a significant and growing need for food in our community. Any support that you can give to this cause is appreciated, valued, and necessary.

COUNSELOR MESSAGE

As the season of celebrations and holidays approaches, Anderson is partnering with 9United, a local service organization, to provide students with opportunities to benefit local families. If Anderson or 9United would be able to provide assistance through clothing, gifts, or family needs, please contact your child's school counselor to have a confidential conversation about how we can assist you.

FINANCIAL AID/FAFSA PRESENTATION

The slideshow from the Financial Aid/FAFSA presentation at the Forest Hills College and Career Night can be found at [this link](#)

AHS PTO STUDENT APPRECIATION TREATS

On October 31, our wonderful PTO will be providing treats for our students. To view a list of treats, [CLICK HERE](#)

SCHOOL FEES

Course fees and general fees have now been posted to Payschools Central and payment is now due. Please log on to Payschools Central to view your student's fees and make payment. **The preferred method of payment would be by credit card on [Payschools Central](#).**

Payments may also be made by cash (exact change please), check, or money order made payable to Anderson High School, 7560 Forest Road, Cincinnati, OH 45255, Attention: Eileen Birk. If you need to set up a payment plan, please contact Eileen Birk at 513-232-2772, extension 2904, or at eileenbirk@foresthills.edu.

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE FACT OF THE WEEK

Did you know? By 9th grade, school attendance is a better predictor of graduation rate than 8th grade test scores.

NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY

Juniors interested in being inducted into National Honor Society must have a 3.75+ GPA and 30+ hours of community service [logged into Innerview.org](#) by the end of 1st semester of the junior year to be considered. The students will be notified of their admittance in late February and the induction ceremony will be held early March.

YEARBOOK INFORMATION

Yearbooks from 2023-2024 can be picked up after school in room 127. All extra books ARE sold out!

Yearbooks for the 2024-2025 school year can be ordered [here](#); just search Anderson High School and be sure to select Cincinnati, OH if prompted. Cost is \$70, and the price will increase on December 21, so order early! Service fees do apply online, but if you want to avoid them, please send \$70 cash or a check made out to AHS to Mrs. Renard in room 127 and she will order your yearbook. Please email Mrs. Renard with questions: kathleenrenard@foresthills.edu.

Busing and Student Parking

- If your student is in need of bus transportation, please contact our Transportation Department at 513-231-3335 x2988.
- If your student would like to drive to school, we still have spaces available. Your student should complete [THIS](#) online application using his/her FHSD student account and email Mrs. Stanyard when it's complete. **All students parking on the AHS campus must have a valid and current AHS Student Parking Pass.**

SENIOR PORTRAITS

All seniors interested in having their picture in the yearbook must schedule an appointment with McIntire Photography by Thanksgiving Break. All students were given a brochure about this in the spring and announcements have been made in school to remind seniors. Please contact McIntire Photography at 513-528-5888 or at <https://www.mcintirephotography.com> to make an appointment. Questions? Contact Mrs Renard, kathleenrenard@foresthills.edu

SHOUT OUT AN ANDERSON HIGH SCHOOL STAFF MEMBER!

We are blessed to have one of the best staffs to work with day in and day out at Anderson High School. We praise them everyday for all the amazing things they do for our kids and our community! We want to give you a chance to do the same! If you would like to give a shout out to any staff member, please fill out this [form](#) so we can celebrate them!

AHS AT A GLANCE

This is a document that we put together for house important and overarching items for families: [AHS AT A GLANCE](#)

FROM OUR BOOSTER GROUPS:

PTO

Join the AHS PTO: bit.ly/Join-PTO

ATHLETIC BOOSTERS

Become an AHS Athletic Boosters Member! As a Boosters Member you will support all Anderson student-athletes, teams, athletic projects and initiatives.

Purchase your Membership at <https://bit.ly/ahs-boosters-2024-25>.

Forest Hills Band Boosters.

Forest Hills Band Boosters are hosting the "Band Expo" event this Saturday, Oct 19th at Turpin HS. There will be over 1,500 participants at this year's event and a total of 16 bands performing. We are looking for people who would like to volunteer at the event to sign up on the Booster Website. Any questions email Boosters@fhbands.org.

FROM THE DISTRICT OFFICE:

LAST CHANCE TO REGISTER: FHSD Parent Academy Returns October 22

Our popular Parent Academy series returns on Tuesday, October 22 from 6:30-8 p.m. at Nagel Middle School! It's an evening designed for parents with students of all ages. [Check out this article](#) to learn more, find a list of topics and register to save your spot for the event! ***Thanks to support from the Forest Hills Foundation for Education, a light meal and childcare will be offered to participating families.***

October is School Safety Month in Ohio | Safer Ohio School Tip Line

As a reminder to our entire school community, anyone with concerns related to school safety can report that information to the ***Safer Ohio School Tip Line by calling or texting 844-SaferOH (844-723-3764) 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.*** Calls or texts are answered by analysts within Ohio Homeland Security who immediately forward information to local school officials, law enforcement agencies and the Ohio School Safety Center (OSSC) for action and follow up if necessary. ***If you or your child become aware of a safety concern outside school hours, whether it be a threat of violence, unusual behavior, suicidal comments, bullying etc., please do not wait to report that information.*** Every minute can be critical when it comes to student safety, and reporting concerns to 844-723-3764 or by dialing 911 is the quickest way to allow our law enforcement partners and school administrators to fully investigate the situation. You can learn more about the Tip Line by visiting its [website here](#). A link to the Tip Line is prominently displayed on www.foresthills.edu underneath the main homepage images.

Career Exploration Panel on October 22 | REGISTER NOW

High school students are invited to broaden their awareness of careers that exist in our region by hearing from a wide variety of panelists. There will be an opportunity for a question and answer session, as well as a chance for students to build their pre-professional network, which could open doors for future job shadowing opportunities. The Career Exploration Panel is organized by FHSD's Community Partnership Program and it will be held Tuesday, October 22 from 6:30-7:45 p.m. at Nagel Middle School. Please [register your student here](#) and consider staying yourself for one of our valuable Parent Academy sessions.

Village Connections: All About Transition

Families of students with special needs are encouraged to attend this session at the October 22 Parent Academy Night. Village Connections is a special education information and support community that connects families with each other and with important resources throughout the region. All About Transition will include a panel of past graduates' parents who can share insight on having a child with autism attend college classes away from home, UC's TAPP Program and how it can prepare students for work and adult life, and things to know before exploring living and day programs. The evening will also include Hamilton County Developmental Disabilities Services Transition Navigator Brianne Riffle. [Click here to register](#) and [click here to view a flyer with more information!](#)

Forest Hills Foundation for Education

Early Bird registration for the Denim & Diamonds Fundraiser Party is open. [Register now!](#) Join us on Saturday, November 16 as we have a blast while raising funds to support ***Student Wellness and Belonging*** for all Forest Hills students. Enjoy live music and entertainment by the ***Naked Karate Girls***, who promise to put on the [greatest party in the galaxy!](#) Receive a \$10 Gaming Card from Belterra Park with Registration. ***Early Bird pricing ends on November 1st.***

Great Oaks Coffee Chats

Parents of 6-10th graders: Thinking college and career? Attend an upcoming coffee chat to learn more about the "super electives" your kids can take later in high school via the Great Oaks Career Campuses in programs, including engineering tech & robotics, nursing, surgical technology, dentistry, culinary arts, information technology, exercise science & sports medicine, auto service technology, aviation, manufacturing engineering technology, veterinary assisting, digital arts and design, and more. TWO in-person sessions and ONE virtual chat - RSVP and more details here: Oct. 21 at 6:30 pm, webinar registration: <https://bit.ly/3Bvrl8C>; Oct. 28 at 7:00pm, Anderson Library registration: <https://bit.ly/3UmHlRd>; and Oct. 30 at 6:30 pm, Madeira Library registration: <https://bit.ly/4evRL8R>.

Get Your Tickets for the Fall Theatre Productions!

The Anderson and Turpin theatre programs are once again collaborating on their fall theatre and film productions! First up is *Chicago: Teen Edition*, which runs Oct. 25-27 at AHS, and features the famous songs and story from the longest-running show revival in Broadway history. *Lord of the Flies*, which runs Nov. 1-3 at THS, is a stage adaptation of William Golding's classic novel that tells a chilling tale of schoolboys stranded on an island. We hope to see you there!

- [Chicago: Teen Edition Tickets](#)
- [Lord of the Flies Tickets](#)

Community Events

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

- Volunteers needed! People Working Cooperatively (PWC) is asking for your help during its annual Prepare Affair on November 16, 2024. Volunteers will help seniors and neighbors living with disabilities prepare for colder months by doing things like raking leaves, cleaning gutters and other chores. [Learn more and register to volunteer or lead a crew here.](#)
- Are you looking for a competitive winter basketball league for your son? Tryouts for Xcel Youth Basketball will be held on October 28 at McNick High School. You can learn more about the program and register for tryouts on the [Xcel Youth Basketball website here.](#)
- Anderson Middies Lacrosse is hosting an open field practice on Sunday, October 20 for girls in grades 3-8! The practice will be held at 2:30 p.m. at Turpin High School. [Click here for details.](#)
- Support the Assistance League of Greater Cincinnati! This organization is collecting donations of home goods (blankets, sheets, kitchen items etc.) to provide to women and children leaving local shelters for permanent housing. [Click here for more information and to learn how to donate!](#)

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](#)