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AHS Family,

I love lunch duty! That may seem like an odd statement out of context; however, it's a time for me to engage with students in low stakes conversation and I can really get a pulse of the building.

Often, I'll ask tables random questions (what's the best place to get a donut, who has the best french fries, favorite font, etc). My goal is make sure students know that I'm approachable and they can talk with me when they need to. The debates can become pretty lively and there are a few students that I've learned I can count on for 'hot takes'. We have awesome students at Anderson High School!

Have a great weekend!

Anderson Proud, Kyle

UPCOMING SCHOOL EVENTS:

- 11/22 Second Quarter Interim
- 11/26 Grandparents' Day
- **11/27-29 No School** (Thanksgiving Break)
- 12/3 Cap and Gown order deadline
- 12/9-13 Make-up and Retake End of Course State Test
- 12/11 Semester Government End Of Course State Test
- 12/20 End of Second Quarter/First Semester Exams
- 1/7 Students Return from Winter Break

AROUND AHS:



AHS INFO:

AHS After Prom 4th Annual Wreath Sale - Last week to order!

The holidays are right around the corner so place your order NOW for your wreaths and garland. To support AHS After Prom, we are offering high quality mixed evergreen wreaths in two sizes (22 inch and 28 inch) and 10' garland ropes.

Sales end on Sunday November 10th, so order now! Order pickup is Saturday, December 7th at AHS.

The website is different this year, but we are using the same vendor! The wreaths and garland will be the same high quality as last year.

To place your order using your phone, please download the Hometown Ticketing Fan app. To purchase using a computer, please use this link. https://tinyurl.com/3ew7fw7w
Thank you for supporting Anderson High School After Prom!

Join Us for Grandparents' Day on Tuesday, November 26th!

We invite you to attend Grandparents' Day! Please RSVP using this <u>link</u> or via the QR code on one of the flyers around the building. Grandparents can arrive via shuttle bus from Clough United Methodist Church or be dropped off at the Performing Arts entrance of AHS.

The celebration will take place in the gym from 9:30 to 10:45 AM, featuring light refreshments and a showcase of student artwork. Lifetouch will be capturing memories with photos, and the Rapstore will be open for spirit wear sales.

From 10:45 to 11:45 AM, everyone is invited to Titus Auditorium for musical performances. If you need to leave before the performances, a shuttle bus will return to Clough United Methodist Church at 10:45 AM.

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** <u>Payschools Central.</u>

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

School attendance is important for students because it helps them build a strong foundation for learning, and it can positively impact their academic achievement, social wellbeing, and future success.

NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY

Juniors interested in being inducted into National Honor Society must have a 3.75+ GPA and 30+ hours of community service <u>logged into Innerview.org</u> by the end of 1^s 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 <u>form</u> so we can celebrate them!

AHS AT A GLANCE

This is a document that we put together ro 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.lv/ahs-boosters-2024-25.

Forest Hills Band Boosters.

Any questions email Boosters@fhbands.org.

FROM THE DISTRICT OFFICE:

Breakfast is Available at AHS

Before school begins, we want to offer a friendly reminder that breakfast is available before school every day from 7:40-8:00 amin the cafeteria.

Free and Reduced Price School Meals Reminder

Forest Hills School District strives to offer nutritious meals to all students and works to ensure that family finances are not a barrier. Students in households receiving benefits through the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) or Ohio Works First (OWF) can receive free school meals regardless of income. Free meals are also available if the household's gross income is within the free limits on the Federal Income Guidelines. Learn more here and visit PaySchoolsCentral to fill out an application.

Science and Innovation Fair Registration NOW OPEN

Get your thinking caps on and work with your child to come up with ideas for the district's annual Science and Innovation Fair! The deadline to submit projects is December 9, and the event will take place on Saturday, January 25. Anyone in grades K-12 can participate and it provides students with an excellent learning experience and opportunity to explore creative concepts related to STEM and other fields. Click here to see an informational flyer with more details.

Forest Hills Foundation for Education

For everyone already registered for the Denim & Diamonds Fundraiser Party, today is the last day to fill out the form for your \$10 gaming card from Belterra. The form is linked in your registration receipt. No forms will be accepted after today, 11/8. And for everyone else, you have until this Sunday, 11/10, to register for the event! Check out the Foundation's social media posts to find out about some amazing live auction experiences. We are so excited to support all Forest Hills students while partying with YOU at Belterra with live music and entertainment provided by the Naked Karate Girls! If you can't make the party of the season, you can register for the Silent Auction for FREE. Bidding starts at 8am on 11/13 and ends at 10pm on 11/16. Mark your calendars! And don't sleep on those Bengals raffle tickets!

OUR FAMILIES NEED YOUR HELP THIS HOLIDAY

SEASON!9United's Shop & Share 2024 is here and once again this holiday season we are supporting Forest Hills School District families in need. Request a "Wish List" from 9United by <u>visiting its website here</u>. Don't want to shop? Donations are always welcome.

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:

- The Anderson Township Library Association is holding a holiday and nearly new book sale from Nov. 7-9 at the Anderson Branch Library. Click here to view a flyer with details.
- Anderson Middies Lacrosse is hosting an open field practice on Saturday, November 9 for girls in grades 3-8! The practice will be held at 2:30 p.m. at Turpin High School. <u>Click here for details</u>.
- AHS Men's Basketball 3-on-3 Tournament will take place Nov. 16! All students in grades 2-6 are invited to round up a team and participate. Deadline to register is Nov. 9. <u>Details and registration link</u>.

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:
 - o <u>MindPeace</u>
 - o FHSD Family Resource List