

Sept. 6th Parent Newsletter

We hope your students are adjusting well at Turpin and smoothly transitioning into the school year. We strive for all our students to be actively involved in various activities! If your student is not already involved, please encourage them to take part in performing arts, visual arts, theater, sports or any of the school clubs we offer! Studies show that engaged students often achieve better grades, have improved attendance, and enjoy a more fulfilling high school experience. This Friday during lunch, students will have the opportunity to attend our Annual Club Fair. Students will be able to explore and sign up for the various clubs we offer. Please encourage your student to check it out during lunch on Friday!

Also as a reminder the PreACT and Practice ACT are set for next week on the 12th. We will have an adjusted schedule for that day. Please see the updated schedule below. Go Spartans!

ACT READINESS DAY- Pre-ACT and Practice ACT:

- On Thursday, September 12th all 9th and 10th grade students will be taking the Pre-ACT. The Pre-ACT is a shortened, non-college reported prep test for the actual ACT.
- All 11th grade students will take a full length practice ACT, sponsored by [TorchPrep](#) and the Forest Hills Foundation for Education on the same date. This practice ACT is also non-college reported.
- All 12th graders do not have classes. Seniors are encouraged to visit colleges/universities or job shadow in an area of interest.

Once testing has concluded students will be dismissed from school (approx 11:30-12:30). Lunch and study hall will be provided for any students staying at school until 2:40. District busing will operate on its normal schedule on September 13th. Students not leaving after their testing dismissal time will attend study hall in the cafeteria until 2:40.

Senior Counselor Meetings & Common App Help Sessions:

School Counselors met with Seniors during Flex time today to review important information to help them prepare for their plans after graduation. Counselors handed out updated transcripts and gave an overview of the college application process as well as options for non-college career pathways. [You can view the presentation from today here.](#)

Counselors will be meeting with Seniors one-on-one during 1st semester to answer individual questions and will be hosting Common App Help Sessions during Flex Time. Next week they will offer help sessions on Monday (9th), Tuesday (10th) and Friday (13th) during Flex in the counseling office. If you have any questions please feel free to reach out to your child's counselor.

Forest Hills College & Career Fair - September 30th

Mark your calendars for the Forest Hills College and Career Night on September 30th at Nagel MS. Representatives from over 100 colleges and career programs will be present to speak with students and families. This is a fantastic opportunity to make connections and gather valuable information. The Fair runs from 6:30-8:00. Parents and students can also attend special informational sessions on college admissions, financial aid, and work force entry prior to the fair starting at 5:30. More details regarding attendees will be shared next week.

WARRIOR RUN TIME:

It's time to sign up for the Warrior Run / Walk 2024 on September 28th in Mariemont! Join the Movement and help increase mental wellness awareness and education. The Warrior Run includes a 5K Run/Walk, 1 Mile Walk, Kids' Fun Run, great food, music, and carnival-style kids' games. You can even participate virtually if you prefer. [Register](#) under Turpin's team to help the school win a prize. Or, your student can sign up to be a [Warrior Captain](#) and potentially win a \$1500 scholarship for raising the most funds under their team. Donations and registrations will be used by 1n5 for mental wellness programming.

Attention SENIOR PARENTS:IMMUNIZATION RECORDS DUE

12th grade students (including students who attend the Oaks or College Credit Plus programs) are required to have documentation on file in the school health office showing proof of receiving:

- 2 meningitis (mcv4) vaccine doses (Not meningitis B recombinant)

One dose must be administered after the 16th birthday. If the first dose is received after the 16th birthday, only one dose is required. Please provide a current copy of their immunization record to the school health office showing evidence of receiving this vaccine by **September 13th**. If you have any questions, please contact the health office. For the safety of all students, the school principal may remove a student from school or establish a deadline for meeting state requirements if the student does not have the necessary immunizations or exemption.

WEP Reports are being sent on Tuesday:

Students who receive a WEP (Written Education Plan), for gifted education, will receive an email to the primary email address on Tuesday, September 10th. If your child received a WEP last year, be on the lookout for this information. If you feel you should have received a WEP, but did not, please contact your building's gifted specialist or building administrators.

THS Testing Schedule for 24-25

To help provide more information about each test administered at Turpin High School this year, the administrative team has put together a [testing at-a-glance document](#) with dates that each assessment will be given this year, when to expect results/score reports, and an explanation of the purpose of each assessment. Mr. Casanova and Dr. Warren will be communicating with students and families about each upcoming assessment. If you have any questions related to testing, please reach out to Mr. Casanova @ jpcasanova@foresthills.edu or Dr. Warren @ ashleywarren@foresthills.edu.

Turpin Athletic Booster Information for Incoming 9th Grade Families

Do you have an incoming 9th grader who is not in a fall sport but is interested in playing winter and/or spring sports? The Turpin Athletic Boosters would love to connect with you. No Athletic Boosters membership is required, we would like to keep in touch! Go to <https://bit.ly/THSBoosterInfoG9> to stay informed.

Welcoming New Staff to FHSD

Please join us in welcoming new teachers and staff members across our nine schools. Check out the [FHSD New Faces document](#) to see who is new across the district and what they'll be doing this year in The Forest!

Apply Now for Aspire Program (Sophomores Only)

Students currently enrolled in 10th grade are invited to apply for the second year of our Aspire Youth Discovery Initiative! This year-long learning series is designed to expand their self-awareness, employability skills and leadership potential. Please check for an email that was sent on Thursday, August 29 with additional information and a link for your student to apply. Can't find the email? Reach out to Community Partnership Specialist Melanie Hartong (melaniehartong@foresthills.edu) for details. Special thank you to the Anderson Area Chamber of Commerce, the Bob & Jeanne Coughlin Foundation and the Forest Hills Foundation for Education for making this program possible. **The application will close on September 13.**

PLEASE READ: Updated Information for Medical or Food-Related Issues

Please take a moment to review the [Guidelines for Medical and Food-Related Issues](#) and the related [Frequently Asked Questions sheet](#). These provide important information that all families should know about school restrictions related to outside food and snacks.

Anderson Township Hazardous Waste Disposal

Get rid of hazardous household products safely and for free! FHSD is partnering with Anderson Township and Hamilton County Resource to host a disposal event on Saturday, Sept. 14, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. for Anderson Township residents only. Registration is required to reserve a time slot, and space is limited! The location will be provided with your registration confirmation. To register or learn more and see what's accepted, please [click here](#).

Forest Hills Foundation for Education

Save the Date! ***The Denim & Diamonds Fundraiser and Party (formerly known as the Fall Soiree) will be held on Saturday, November 16, from 7-11p.m. at Belterra Park.*** This is a new venue for our party! Join us for a fun, casual party and help us raise funds for Forest Hills students! Keep your eye out for Early Bird Pricing. ***More details coming soon.***

Community Events

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

- Anderson HS Game Day VIP Experience for Grades 1-6 | [Flyer](#)
- Please click the [flyers webpage link](#) for information about Cub Scouts informational sessions and contact information that is unique to different schools. Some info sessions have passed, so please reach out directly to the assigned contact for more information.
- The [flyers webpage](#) also has information about multiple after-school Spanish class opportunities for elementary students.

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](#)

Dates:

Sept. 12th	PreACT/Practice ACT
Sept. 27th	Homecoming
Sept. 28th	Homecoming Dance
Sept. 30th	Forest Hills College and Career Fair