

October 25, 2024

Good luck to our talented students performing in *Chicago: Teen Edition* this week, and to our Boys' Soccer team competing in the district finals this weekend!

Halloween week is always a blast at Turpin! We're looking forward to our annual Senior Halloween Costume Contest, the Trick-or-Treat Trolley for the whole school (thank you, PTO!), and the Halloween Door Decorating Contest between our grade-level Flex classes.

Go Spartans!

### **End of 1st Quarter**

Quarter report cards are now posted on Progressbook. Please note that quarter grades are not permanently recorded on a student transcript; only final semester grades are recorded. Semester grades are determined by formula: 45% 1st quarter numerical grade, 45% 2nd quarter, and 10% semester final exam. For courses without a final exam, the two quarter grades are numerically averaged.

### **Halloween Treat Trolley:**

Halloween Treat Trolley is back! On Thursday, October 31st, we will be dressing up and rolling out the candy cart to TREAT the teachers, staff, and students. Go to <https://bit.ly/TOTTrolley24> to volunteer and help stock up the Trolley!

### **Help During the Holidays**

As the season of celebrations and holidays approaches, Turpin High School is partnering with 9United, a local service organization, to provide assistance to help our local families. If your family would benefit from assistance during the holidays, such as clothing, gifts, or family needs, please contact your students' school counselor to have a confidential conversation about how we can assist you.

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### **Friendly Attendance Reminders**

Attendance is an incredibly important piece of our efforts to educate students. Even missing a few days a month can have a lasting impact on learning. Did you know that students who have never been chronically absent are 9 times more likely to graduate from high school on time and 6.7 times more likely to read on grade level by the end of third grade? Here are some important reminders regarding FHSD attendance policies and procedures.

- A parent/guardian phone call received by the attendance office, on each day of the student's absence, for any of the Board-approved reasons, is sufficient to excuse the child's absence up to the tenth absence yearly.
- Subsequently, after the tenth absence, the parent/guardian must provide written documentation from a treating physician, nurse practitioner, physician assistant, or relevant third party, stating the day(s) absent and the reason for such absence.
- Student absence events (full day, tardy, early dismissal) in excess of ten, will be recorded as unexcused unless a doctor's note or third-party documentation (Board-approved reasons) is presented to attendance officials for each additional absence. Without a doctor's note or third-party documentation, truancy charges can be brought and charged to the parent and/or student.

### **Visiting Campus during School Hours**

For safety measures, all parents are required to enter through the main entrance during school hours (8:00am-2:40pm). The athletic entrance will not be available to drop off food for athletic teams, volunteer at the concession stand, or make other deliveries during school hours. Anyone who rings the athletic entrance doorbell will be directed to come to the main entrance.

### **Ohio State Testing for Fall:**

The fall Ohio State Testing window will run from Monday, December 9th - Friday, December 13th. Students who might be missing an Ohio State Test, students who might need to retake the required Algebra I or English Language Arts II, any student taking a CCP course for a tested area, and students currently sitting in government will test during this window.

If your student needs to test, you will be receiving an email from Dr. Warren over the next few weeks with the required test, testing date, and more information to help prepare for the assessment. If you have any questions, feel free to contact her @ [ashleywarren@foresthills.edu](mailto:ashleywarren@foresthills.edu).

### **Senior Scoop**

The Senior Scoop is intended to be a “one-stop shop” of information pertaining to the Senior Class of 2025 and their parents/guardians. As new information becomes available it will be shared via this weekly newsletter and will be updated within the [Senior Scoop](#). We recommend you bookmark this link for a quick reference.

### **Clubs and Meeting Times:**

Turpin has so many ways for our students to get involved! Check out [THIS LIST](#) to see what clubs are offered at THS and when those clubs meet. \*More information about all clubs linked in the document in the bottom right corner.

### **FHSD Spirit Day: Team Up for Wellness | Nov. 7**

All students and staff members are encouraged to get decked out in their favorite sports gear for the first district-wide spirit day of the school year! Let’s have some fun and come together to shower our schools with positivity!

### **Explore Your Child’s Future at 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 children can take later in high school via the Great Oaks Career Campuses in programs covering topics like engineering, robotics, dentistry, IT, sports medicine, aviation, manufacturing and much more. TWO in-person sessions remaining: Oct. 28 at 7:00pm, Anderson Library [register here](#); and Oct. 30 at 6:30 pm, Madeira Library [register here](#).

### **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](#)

### **Forest Hills Foundation for Education**

Can't make it to the Denim & Diamonds Fundraiser Party? Here are 3 other ways you can participate: #1 *Buy your raffle tickets now!* You could be the lucky winner of 4 Club Seats to the Bengals & Browns game on Thursday, December 19 WITH Pre-Game VIP Sideline Passes! #2 *Participate in the Silent Auction* from anywhere or from the comfort of your home! FREE Registration and Silent

Auction will open on November 13. #3 *Donate*. Support Student Wellness and Belonging Opportunities. [Denim & Diamonds](#)

### **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.](#)
- 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. [Click here for details.](#)
- 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. [Details and registration link.](#)
- 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.](#)
- 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](#)

Dates:

Oct. 25-27 Fall Theatre Production: *Chicago: Teen Edition* at AHS

Oct. 31 Halloween

Nov. 1-3 Fall Theatre Production: *Lord of the Flies* at THS

Nov. 5 NO School: Teacher PD