

November 22, 2024

As we approach Thanksgiving break, it's the perfect time to reflect on the many things we are grateful for here at Turpin High School. Each day, we are reminded of the incredible community we are so fortunate to be a part of—one filled with dedicated parents, compassionate students, and committed staff members. Together, we have built a school environment where learning, growth, and kindness are celebrated, and that is something truly special.

Thank you parents for your unwavering support and for being active partners in your children's education. As we enjoy Thanksgiving break next week, let's take a moment to appreciate one another. We are truly blessed to be a part of this community and the Turpin family we have built together. Go Spartans!

### **Safety Concern**

The township and School Resource Officer (SRO) have received multiple complaints regarding speeding, particularly on Royal Green before and after school hours. For the safety of all students and families, we kindly ask you to be mindful of your speed in this area. Please also take a moment to talk with your child about adhering to the speed limit and practicing safe driving habits. Thank you for your cooperation!

### **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).

## **GREAT OAKS**

Great Oaks provides many innovative and skill based Career Tech programs for students to participate in their Junior and Senior year of high school. They can earn training, certifications and gain valuable employment skills in high school! Please visit [greatoaks.com](http://greatoaks.com) for more information and virtually tour the programs. Interested Sophomores will have the opportunity to attend a field trip to Live and Scarlet Oaks in January to shadow programs of their interest. Also, early next year, Great Oaks will host Open Houses at the different campuses for parents and students to attend. More detailed information will be communicated as times and dates are available. Sophomores can start applying now by clicking [here](#). Please reach out to your student's School Counselor if you have additional questions.

## **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.

## **Spartan Staff Shout Out**

Parents, please feel free to use [form](#) to express your gratitude or to otherwise positively acknowledge a Turpin staff member. Staff members will receive a keepsake letter with your positive comments included!

## **After Prom Room Sponsorship**

On Saturday April 26, Turpin After Prom committee and a team of volunteers will transform the school into a circus themed “Under the Big Top” complete with jugglers, stilt walkers, and roaming entertainment. Familiar spots include a gym full of giant inflatables, Snake Room, Trivia Room, food and dessert tables and the student favorite Coffee Bar. The Auxiliary Gym will feature a Casino with Blackjack dealers, Euchre tables, and nostalgic carnival games that will remind students of their elementary school days! The night will conclude with a new entertainer who was featured on Penn &

Teller, as well as the raffle prize drawings and announcement of the Top Prize Casino winner. This large-scale event is funded only partially by ticket sales, then supplemented by the generous donations of our Turpin families and local businesses.

This year, we have a “Room Sponsorship” option which honors \$100 donations with the ability to name a room after your student or family. Students will find the “Smith Family Potty Racers” or a “Wilson Family Fortune Teller” for example. Signage at each room/area will indicate the donor. Still available rooms include Snake Room, Battle Cones, Sweet Station, Photo Areas, Tattoo Trolley, Concessions, and more. To become a room donor, please contact Alison Riley @ 513-348-4271 to select and name your room.

### **Turpin Spirit Shop: New Website & November Hours**

The Turpin Spirit Shop is ready to reopen and kick off Winter Sports with exciting updates! We’ve launched a brand new website, making it easier than ever to shop for all your Turpin gear. Plus, in addition to having orders shipped directly to your home, you can now pick up your purchases in person during our winter store hours! Check out the new site and start shopping today!!

New Website: [https://stores.inksoft.com/turpin\\_spirit\\_wear\\_](https://stores.inksoft.com/turpin_spirit_wear_)

November Store Hours:

- 11/23: 3:00 pm - 6:00 pm
- 11/26: 5:15 pm - 8:30 pm
- 11/27: 4:30 pm - 7:00 pm

Get your gear and show your Spartan pride this winter!

### **SPONSOR A FHSD FAMILY IN NEED THIS HOLIDAY SEASON | 9United Shop & Share**

Once again this holiday season we are supporting Forest Hills School District families in need.

[Request a Shop & Share “Wish List” from 9United by clicking here.](#) Don’t want to shop? Donations are always welcome.

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

Thank you to everyone who made the Denim & Diamonds Fundraiser Party such a success. Whether you came to the party, donated, participated in the Silent Auction, and/or bought Bengals vs. Browns raffle tickets, we appreciate your support of the students. Congratulations to Kim Tinsley for winning the Bengals game tickets! [Funds](#) are still incoming, so stay tuned to find out the total dollars raised to support the wellness of all Forest Hills students. [Watch this exclusive video](#) from students and staff. And check out the [photos, videos](#), and [selfie station pics](#) from the super fun evening.

## **Nominate an Outstanding Teacher for Gold Star Teacher Awards!**

Gold Star is partnering with The Children's Theatre of Cincinnati to celebrate and recognize teachers across our region. Be sure to [nominate your favorite FHSD teacher](#) before Dec. 20! All nominees receive a Gold Star meal and there are other prizes after community votes are counted. The Gold Star Teacher of the Year is awarded in March with over \$7,000 in grants & experiences for their classroom & school!

## **Community Events**

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

- Anderson High School Orchestra's annual performance of The Nutcracker is Dec. 7! [See this flyer for details and tickets.](#)
- Sign-ups for i9 Sports's Winter 2025 programs are ongoing for boys and girls ages 3-14. Registration ends December 6 for various sports. [Flyer with details.](#)
- CISV Cincinnati is hosting an activity day on November 16 and an informational night on December 3 to share information about their international education programs. [More details.](#)

## **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:

Nov. 27	Thanksgiving Break
Nov. 28	Thanksgiving Break
Nov. 29	Thanksgiving Break

Dec. 4      Choir Concert