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From the Dean of School



Happy Friday! Happy October!

Please enjoy your long weekend for Columbus Day. There is no school on Monday, October 9. Additionally, faculty and staff are partaking in a professional development day on Friday, October 13. There is no school for students on Friday, October 13.

The students are busily preparing for the Governor and Executive Council to visit on Wednesday, October 11. Founders is honored to be the Governor's choice for an offsite meeting. We are truly holding to our nickname of "Little Concord."

I hope you will be able to join parents on October 23 at 6pm. Terri Hamilton a Parent and Child Coach from Apparent Connection in Bedford will be giving a talk on "Bringing Out the Best in Your Child" and attend a discussion afterward on how to get involved. Please RSVP to kylene.normandin@tfanh.org.

Thank you for your support! Have a great weekend!

Sincerely,
Maureen Mooney
Dean of School

From the Assistant Director of Student Services: PSAT 8/9, College Access Convention & College Presentations



On Friday, October 27, 2017, 8th and 9th grade students at the Founders Academy will be taking the **PSAT 8/9** (Pre-Scholastic Aptitude Test for 8th & 9th grade students). This will be a regular school day for students in 8th and 9th grade only and will start at 7:45 am and finish at 3:10 pm. Buses will be running on schedule.

There are several benefits to taking the PSAT 8/9 and we are happy to be able to provide this opportunity to our 8th and 9th grade students here at the Founders Academy. Your student's PSAT report may help them identify academic areas of growth and need. Online tools are also available to help your student explore possible career areas and may help them choose high school classes to effectively prepare them for college.

We hope that you will encourage your student to do their best on the PSAT 8/9. A good night's sleep, a healthy breakfast and being ready for the test will have positive results.

Please let us know if you have any questions.

[Benefits to taking the PSAT 8/9](#)

[Roadtrip Nation](#)

The Student Services Department is planning to take all current Juniors to the **College Access Convention** on Friday, October 27, 2017. Field trip permission forms and more information will be sent home soon!

 [2017 Manchester Access Convention Agenda.pdf](#)

Save the Dates: The Founders Academy will be hosting an [Early College Planning presentation](#) on **Thursday, December 14, 2017 at 6:00 pm**. All families are welcome to attend but the presentation is geared towards families of Freshmen & Sophomores. We will also be hosting a [College Overview for Juniors presentation](#) on **Thursday, February 8, 2018**. This evening will be specifically designed for Juniors and their parents/guardians. These events will be presented by the [Center for College Planning/NHHEAF](#).

~Debra Castonguay, Assistant Director of Student Services
(debra.castonguay@tfanh.org)

School News

Back to School Forms: Please Complete!

There are still many parents/guardians who have not completed their Back to School Forms. If you have any issues with the form or have not received it please contact us as soon as possible (lauren.brouillette@tfang.org) so we can get that issue fixed.

DUE TO THE CRITICAL INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THESE FORMS, THE SCHOOL RESERVES THE RIGHT TO WITHHOLD VARIOUS ACTIVITIES FROM STUDENTS WHO DO NOT HAVE COMPLETED FORMS ON FILE.

As a reminder, **vaccination records are due** for everyone as well today, October 6, or a copy of the exemption. Please take a moment and finish both of these items if you have not already. **STUDENTS WITHOUT UPDATED INFORMATION MAY BE RESTRICTED FROM ATTENDING SCHOOL.**

Bringing Medication to School

Dear parents,

Please send all prescription medication to school in the original prescription bottle. Medications are locked for the safety of all children in the building. It was brought to our attention this week that some students carry prescription medication in their bags. This is against school policy and considered an unsafe practice.

Thank you.

Halloween Themed Movie Night

On **Friday, October 13th**, the Founders Student Activities Committee will be hosting a Movie Night from 6:00-8:00 p.m. in the Lower Cafeteria for middle school students showing *The Nightmare before Christmas* and in the Upper Cafeteria for high school students showing *Hocus Pocus*.

Admission is \$2 dollars or two canned food items that will be donated to a local food charity. The school store will be open during this time and the Student Activities Committee will be selling pizza for \$2 dollars a slice. There will also be drinks and other snacks available for purchase.

Please see this [LINK](#) for more information and permission slips.

Admissions Information Night: October 19th



On Thursday, October 19th, The Founders Academy will have an Admissions Information Night to learn more about our school and have a tour. Guests will hear the chorus sing, visit sample classes, and meet esteemed teachers and students. The evening starts at 6:00pm and goes to 7:30pm. Prospective students and families are welcome! To RSVP, contact bridget.hyotte@tfanh.org.

Halloween Dress Up Day - October 31st

On Tuesday, October 31st, Founders will have a costume dress-up day to celebrate Halloween. All costumes must be Dress Code appropriate with these additional rules:

- No face masks (partial or full).
- No fake or real weapons can be part of the costume.
- No fake blood.
- But moderate face paint is acceptable.

If the costume is disruptive to the school environment, students will be asked to change. If there are any doubts about the appropriateness of a student's costume, please bring a change of clothing.

We hope to see some fun and creative outfits!



PSAT Information

Dear Parents,

Please check out this [LINK](#) to see resources about the PSATs.

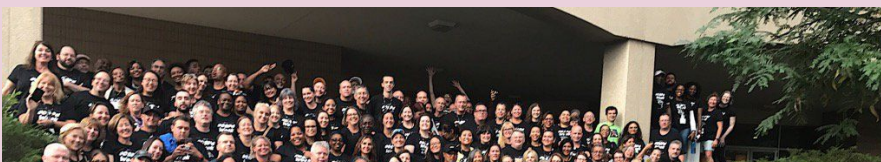
Evening for Parents, with Guest Speaker

Founders' Family Group is hosting an "Evening for Parents" on **October 23 at 6pm** with guest speaker Terri Hamilton of Apparent Connection to talk about "Bringing Out the Best in Your Child." RSVP to kylene.normandin@tfanh.org. Afterward there will be a parent led discussion on getting more involved.

Please Complete Back to School Forms!

Please complete the back to school forms as soon as possible if you have not done so. Students who do not have completed forms on file will not be allowed to attend field trips, school events, or other activities. If you have any questions, please contact lauren.brouillette@tfanh.org.

Technology Department Update, by Ms. Marcotte



There are exciting things occurring in our Technology Department this fall. Over the summer Ms. Marcotte traveled to Golden

Colorado along with 300 other educators from across the country as part of Computer Science Professional Development Week (CSPDWeek). Ms. Marcotte was able to attend this conference due to generous donations from Microbit, NCWIT, Infy Foundation, and the National Science Foundation. While at CSPDWeek, Ms. Marcotte was trained on the Exploring Computer Science Curriculum. She will continue professional development on this curriculum throughout the year via webinar and collaborative projects with other educators in her cohort. This year the curriculum is being infused into CS3 & Tech 1 courses through the year and Ms. Marcotte is mentoring Mrs. George in its implementation throughout the academic year.

This past Thursday, September 28, 2017, Ms. Marcotte headed to the Department of Education for a meeting with several educators to begin the year long process to create Computer Science Standards in the state of New Hampshire. Ms. Marcotte is one of two charter school representatives on the K-12 Computer Science Standards development team. There is a large movement in the country to increase education in Computer Science to give all students access to this content and curriculum. Once a workable draft is created there will be public meetings to review the standards. This is exciting news for Computer Science. More updates will follow later next month.



On Saturday September 30, 2017 Ms. Marcotte, Mrs. George, & Mrs. Perella headed to Berlin, NH for the annual CS4NH conference. This conference is free for NH educators as a result of funding provided by the National Science Foundations and Expanding Computing Education Pathways. Our teachers heard from Dr. Jennifer Wang from Google for Education about the current state of CS education in our country and our state. David Benedetto, STEM Coordinator at the DOE, gave an update on the new Computer Science Educator certification, the Computer Science State Standards, and funding resources available for computer

science resources. During the 2.5 our breakout session: Mrs. George explored the power of using Makey, Makey in the classroom, Mrs. Perella explored creating your own Apps, and Ms. Marcotte explored using Python to reinforce science & math concepts. After an engaging panel discussion from Jennifer Wang from Google for Education, Mihalea Sabin of UNH Manchester, Karen Locke of Code.org, Aimee Rosate of Teals, and Suzanne Snow of Project Lead The Way our Founders Academy teachers attended various breakout discussions to get more in depth. It was an amazing day for all who attended.

Volunteer Opportunities/Donations/Fundraising

Shop at Hannaford, Earn Money for Your School!

Founders has a collection tower at the Hannaford in Hanover, NH. You may also submit Hannaford dollars to the front desk at The Founders Academy. Thank you for supporting our school!



Help schoolkids reach their goals.
Shop today for a better tomorrow.

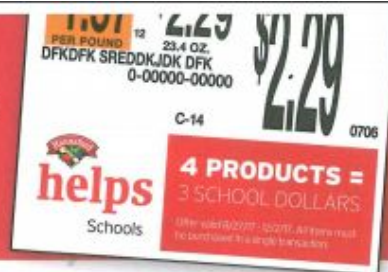

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Schools

 **shop**
Look for the shelf tag on the back on more than 1,500 products to earn money for your school.

 **check out**
Get 3 school dollars for every 4 participating products you purchase.

 **submit**
Deposit your school dollars in the collection tower in-store.

Choose from over 1,500 participating products to make your shopping list - and help earn money for your school.



Coffee/Breakfast

Annie's®
 Cascadian Farm® Cereal
 Cascadian Farm® Granola Bars
 Crystal Farms® Eggs
 Denny's® Hash Browns
 Eight O'Clock® Ground Coffee
 Hannaford Bacon
 Hannaford Breakfast Sandwiches
 Horizon® Organic Half & Half
 Lavazza Gourmet Coffee
 Man Cave® Breakfast Sausage
 Maple Gold Maple Syrup
 Nature's Place® Bacon
 Nesquik® Multipack
 Purely Elizabeth® Granola
 Purely Elizabeth® Oatmeal
 Seattle's Best™ Ground Coffee
 Seattle's Best™ Coffee K-Cup® Pods
 Seattle's Best™ Hot Cocoa
 Simply Potatoes® Hash Browns
 Starbucks® Ground Coffee
 Starbucks® Coffee K-Cup® Pods
 Taste of Inspirations® Turkey Bacon
 Wyman's® Frozen Fruit

Lunch

Good Natural Soup
 Hannaford Carrots
 Hannaford Celery
 Hannaford Packaged Salad
 Mrs. Cubbison's® Salad Dressing
 Mrs. Cubbison's® Seasoned Croutons
 Pepperidge Farm® Bread
 Santa Cruz Organic® Apple Sauce
 Santa Cruz Organic® Fruit Spread
 Santa Cruz Organic® Peanut Butter
 Taste of Inspirations® Fruit Spread
 Taste of Inspirations® Jam
 Taste of Inspirations® Jelly
 Wild Planet® Canned Seafood

Dinner

Alexia® French Fries
 Alexia® Onion Rings
 Annie's® Organics Macaroni & Cheese
 Annie's® Organics Soup
 Annie's® Organics Rice Pasta
 Barber Foods® Poultry
 Cascadian Farm® French Fries
 Cascadian Farm® Frozen Fruit
 Cascadian Farm® Frozen Vegetables
 Dreamfields Pasta
 Dr. Oetker Frozen Pizza
 Elio's® Frozen Pizza
 Green Valley® Canned Vegetables
 Hannaford Frozen Seafood
 Horizon® Macaroni & Cheese
 Idahoan® Boxed Potatoes
 Idahoan® Soup
 Kahiki® Frozen Entrees
 Kidfresh® Frozen Meals

Mama Rosie's® Pasta
 Man Cave® Beef Links
 Man Cave® Cooked Sausage
 McCain® French Fries
 Palermo's® Frozen Pizza
 Pepperidge Farm® Frozen Garlic Bread
 Pepperidge Farm® Texas Toast
 Pillsbury™ Biscuits
 Progresso™ Bread Crumbs
 Progresso™ Soup
 Rhodes® Dinner Rolls
 Screamin' Sicilian™ Frozen Pizza
 Screamin' Sicilian™ Frozen Stromboli
 Simply Potatoes® Mashed Potatoes
 Stow Mills Frozen Salmon Burgers
 Stow Mills Frozen Fish Nuggets
 The Good Table™ Seasoning
 Totino's® Frozen Pizza Rolls
 Uncle Ben's® Rice
 Veggie Fries® French Fries
 White Castle French Fries

Snacks

Annie's® Organics Popcorn
 Betty Crocker™ Fruit Snacks
 BuddyFruits® Assorted Fruit Snacks
 Quaker® Chewy Granola Bars
 Chex™ Assorted Snack Mix
 Fiber One™ Cookies
 Fiber One™ Value Packs
 Food Should Taste Good™ Chips
 Food Should Taste Good™ Crackers
 Frito-Lay® Chips
 Frito-Lay® Crackers
 Frito-Lay® Snack Mix
 Hannaford Fruit Snacks
 Horizon® Cracker
 Jolly Time® Popcorn
 LÄRABAR® Energy Bars
 Mott's® Fruit Snacks
 Nature Valley® Snacks
 Nature Valley® Granola Bars
 Pepperidge Farm® Crackers
 Pop Secret® Popcorn
 Power Crunch® Energy Bars
 Pringles® Chips
 Pure Protein® Energy Bars
 Pure Protein® Protein Powder
 Pure Protein® Shakes
 Utz® Chips
 Utz® Snacks
 Wasa® Crackers

Dairy

Danimals® Yogurt
 Danon® Yogurt
 Frigo® Assorted Cheese
 Go-Gurt® Yogurt
 Hannaford Fine Cheese
 Horizon® Assorted Cheese
 Horizon® Milk
 Horizon® Sour Cream

Noosa® Yogurt
 Oakhurst® Milk
 Stonyfield® Yogurt

Condiments

Annie's® Organics BBQ Sauce
 Annie's® Organics Ketchup
 Annie's® Organics Mustard
 Annie's® Organics Salad Dressing
 Hannaford Fruit Preserves
 Hannaford Honey
 Hidden Valley® Ranch Dressing
 Hidden Valley® Salad Dressing
 Nature's Place® Organic Honey
 Pearls Olive Cups
 Progresso™ Salad Dressing

Baking

Annie's® Organics Baking Mix
 Betty Crocker™ Brownie Mix
 Domino® Sugar
 Duncan Hines® Cake Mix
 Horizon® Butter
 King Arthur® Baking Mix
 King Arthur® Cake Mix
 King Arthur® Flour
 Pillsbury Cookie Dough

Dessert

Incredible Frozen Vanilla Bites
 Oreo Cookies
 Pepperidge Farm® Assorted Cakes
 Talenti® Gelato & Sorbetto

Beverages

Apple & Eve® Variety Multipack
 Fairlife® Milk
 Odwalla® Smoothies
 Powerade® Sports Drinks
 R. W. Knudsen Family® Juice
 Simply Beverages™ Juice
 Stur® Powdered Drink
 Taste of Inspirations® Tea

Cleaning

Tide® Laundry Detergent
 Scott® Bath Tissue
 Scott® Paper Towels
 Viva® Paper Towels
 Windex® Household Cleaners
 Swiffer® Household Products
 Scrubbing Bubbles® Household Cleaners
 Pledge® Household Cleaners
 Mrs. Meyer's® Household Cleaners
 Mrs. Meyer's® Laundry Detergent
 Mrs. Meyer's® Dish Detergent
 Hefty® Trash Bags
 Hefty® Food Storage Bags
 Hefty® Cups
 Finish® Dish Detergent

Downy® Laundry Products
 Dawn® Dish Detergent
 Cottonelle® Bath Tissue
 Clorox® Household Cleaners
 Charmin® Bath Tissue
 Bounty® Paper Towels

Household

Brita® Water Filter
 Brita® Water Pitcher
 Chinet® Plates
 Febreze Air Freshener
 Glad® Food Storage
 Kleenex® Facial Tissue
 Mrs. Meyer's® Air Freshener
 Poise Cosmetics
 Poise® Feminine Hygiene
 Reynolds® Food Storage
 Saran™ Food Storage
 Ziploc® Food Storage

Health & Beauty

Depend® Adult Incontinence
 Mrs. Meyer's® Bar Soap
 Mrs. Meyer's® Body Wash
 Nature Made® Vitamins
 Nature's Bounty® Vitamins
 Sundown® Naturals Vitamins
 Tom's of Maine® Bar Soap
 Tom's of Maine® Body Wash
 Tom's of Maine® Deodorant
 Tom's of Maine® Mouthwash
 Tom's of Maine® Oral Care
 U by Kotex® Feminine Care

Baby

HOME360® Baby Food
 Pampers® Baby Diapers
 Tom's of Maine® Baby Care



Visit hannaford.com/helpschools to learn more.

Drama Donors Choose

Please consider donating to Ms. Mote's fundraiser for drama supplies. The fundraiser expires in November, and while we're close to the goal we still need your help! Link is below

[All the World's a Stage- Help Us Build It!](#)

My students need microphones, painting and sewing supplies, and tools for sound, set building, and costume making!

Barnes & Noble Book Fair

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BOOKFAIRS

SAVE THE DATE

The Founders Academy

Thursday, October 12th 2017
Barnes & Noble MANCHESTER
1741 South Willow St
Manchester, NH 03103

Featuring acclaimed author
P. Gardner Goldsmith 5pm

CAN'T ATTEND OUR BOOKFAIR AT BARNES & NOBLE?
Visit BN.COM/bookfairs to support us online from 10/12/17-10/17/17
by entering Bookfair ID **12221288** at checkout.
A percentage of your Barnes & Noble purchases will benefit our schools/organization.

#BNBOOKFAIRS

The poster features a colorful illustration of a book fair scene with people browsing books, a cafe, and children playing.

Sewing Club Donations Needed

Sewing club is starting this Tuesday. We are a large group of eager sewers and we are looking for some donations.

- * Sewing machines (in working or mostly working order)
- * Fabric, all types and sizes
- * Sewing notions, (zippers, interfacing, buckles, ties, chording, etc.)
- * Thread (all types, all colors)

Thank you for your consideration and donations.

Thank you,
Mrs. Jennifer Fortier

Wanted: Substitute Teachers, Lunch & Study Hall Monitors

Founders is seeking volunteer substitute teachers, study hall monitors, and lunch monitors! If you are interested in helping Founders for full days, half days or even a period or two, please contact Nena Bliss at 603.952.4705 or nena.bliss@tfanh.org. We'll add you to the list!

Most Needed Items for Back to School!

As many of you know, The Founders Academy relies heavily on contributions and donations from generous parents, friends, and members of our community. Currently, we are in greatest need of the following items as we head into another school year:

Printer Paper (Staples has great deals on cases of paper right now: see this [link](#).)

Clorox Wipes

Plastic Spoons and Forks

Dry Erase Markers/Erasers

Snacks and lunches for the Food Pantry

Latex Gloves

Power Strips

Brooms and Dustpans

Follow this [link](#) for more needed items. Thank you in advance for your generosity!

Other

School Calendar

Regularly check the school calendar online link: <http://www.thefoundersacademy.org/calendar>

NOTE: Dates are continuously added and possibly changed throughout the year. Please check the online school calendar regularly.

Founders on Social Media!

Be sure to follow Founders on Facebook here:



Founders' Facebook Carpooling Group: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/123952141583545/>

Founders' Facebook Volunteering Parents Group:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1527282857342512/>

Be sure to follow Founders on Twitter here:



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