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## **PARENT/GUARDIAN NEWSLETTER**

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## From the Dean of School

### Dean Hayes's Weekly Message



Greetings Founders Community,

I hope you are all enjoying this Memorial Day holiday. Please take some time to remember those who have served our country and made the ultimate sacrifice.

Finals are quickly approaching. Please review the finals week schedule [here](#). Buses will run at the regular time.

We have also posted several positions on our school website for the 22-23 school year. Please share pass along the names of qualified candidates. [http://www.thefoundersacademy.org/about/career\\_opportunities](http://www.thefoundersacademy.org/about/career_opportunities)

-Cassie Hayes  
Dean of School

### The Founders Mission Statement

The Founders Academy is a public chartered school encompassing grades 6 - 12 that is free and open to all New Hampshire students. The Academy develops leaders who understand and apply the lessons of the past, demonstrate exceptional character and lead by example. The Academy recognizes the importance of balance in the development of the whole person, and respects each student's journey.

Principled leadership is fostered by means of a curriculum of classical studies that includes analyzing the lives of great men and women of history, mining the rich classical ideals of the Western tradition, and tracing the evolution of the precious and costly idea of liberty.

Link: [http://www.thefoundersacademy.org/about/mission\\_vision](http://www.thefoundersacademy.org/about/mission_vision)

## Need to Know

### INTERNET USE UPDATE

It has recently come to our attention that students have been bypassing our filters to access inappropriate content. We have increased our internet security to protect our students. Since then, students have used personal VPN's and hot spots to again, bypass the filters. Please discuss internet safety with your students and remind them that at school, all students should use the

student wifi and their @tfanh.org Google accounts.

## COURSE SELECTION 22-23

It is hard to believe, but we are quickly approaching the end of the 2021-2022 school year! With that in mind, it is time to plan for the next school year and sign up for courses.

**For those families who have students who will be withdrawing from Founders after this year and either going to a different school or will be homeschooled**, please follow this link so that we can work to get your information ready to be sent out in a timely manner at the end of the year: [https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfIP1I0RxbPAatcmld9tOHy1WoZ0pWo02XroQHF4dwkxE XLYJw/viewform?usp=sf\\_link](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfIP1I0RxbPAatcmld9tOHy1WoZ0pWo02XroQHF4dwkxE XLYJw/viewform?usp=sf_link)

**For those families that plan on having students attend Founders next year for Grades 5-8**, please follow this link to confirm your spot(s) and to sign up for courses. This should be completed by **Friday, April 15** to secure your spot for next year. [https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSesaYQuXnmxWFtlnAM0K10gBmaRb8obvgXCYPH8zRvk\\_5U4Qdg/viewform?usp=sf\\_link](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSesaYQuXnmxWFtlnAM0K10gBmaRb8obvgXCYPH8zRvk_5U4Qdg/viewform?usp=sf_link)

**For those families that plan on having students attend Founders next year for Grades 9-12**, course sign-up information has been emailed to parents and students.

Thank you!

Greg McKenzie  
Registrar

## PARENT EXEMPTION FORM STATE TESTING

If you would prefer to exempt your student from taking state testing, please click on [this link](#). To fill out the form you can either print it and send it into school with your student, or you can make a copy of the document (click File in the left-hand corner, then click Make a Copy), fill it out, and email it to [cassie.hayes@tfanh.org](mailto:cassie.hayes@tfanh.org).

## SCHOOL MD CONSENT FORM

As you are aware, we have medical personnel on staff from 7am to 10am every day. From 10am-3pm they are offering remote services for us to access. If a student needs minor medical assistance, like a COVID test or other diagnostic services, we call the parent for consent. To expedite this process, we have created a form that parents can fill out to give us consent for our medical personnel to work with students.

[Here](#) is the consent form. Once you click the link, a message will pop up saying "Would you like to make a copy of the document?" **Please make sure you click the blue button that says "Make a copy."** This will ensure that you can fill out the document.

Completed forms can be emailed or dropped off to the front desk.

## BEFORE SCHOOL CARE/AFTERNOON HOMEWORK CLUB

**Notice: When you send in a check or cash for before school care and/or homework club,**

**please specify on the check or the envelope which dates you are paying for and if you are paying for before school care, homework club, or both.**

Founders offers before and after school care for students. These programs will start the first day of school. Before school care allows for students to be dropped off at 7am (as opposed to regular drop off at 7:20). After school care, Homework Club, runs from 3:15-6:00pm. Students will have academic and social/emotional support during Homework Club.

To join these programs, please fill out this [form](#).

## SUBSTITUTES NEEDED



The Founders Academy Public Charter School seeks paid substitute teachers for middle and high school for the 2021-2022 school year!

Subjects covered can vary. Both day by day and permanent positions available: hours are 7:30 AM until 3:30PM. The rate is \$75/per day.

Please send resume and recommendations to Jackie Meilleur, The Founders Academy, 5 Perimeter Road, Manchester, NH 03103 or [j.meilleur@tfanh.org](mailto:j.meilleur@tfanh.org).

## SAVE THE DATES

<b>What:</b>	<b>When:</b>
No School - Memorial Day	May 30
Chorus 3&4 Concert	June 1 @ 7pm
Chorus 1&2 Concert	June 2 @ 7pm

High School Dance	June 3 @ 6:30pm
Middle School Dance	June 4 @ 6:30pm

## 2021/22 SCHOOL CALENDAR

Calendar for the 2021/22 school year. **Updated 10/22/2021**

[http://www.thefoundersacademy.org/calendar/2021\\_-\\_22\\_school\\_calendar](http://www.thefoundersacademy.org/calendar/2021_-_22_school_calendar)

## School News

### Summer Camp 2022

We're excited to hold another summer camp this year! Various teachers are offering fun sessions for students to choose from. The cost is \$75 per session, and your student is welcome to attend more than one. Click the following link to see the options and their descriptions:

[https://docs.google.com/document/d/1BK03jj0g3SWa7kRZ\\_qowv8b-b1Xyn8yYt0D0qT3t\\_ec/edit?usp=sharing](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1BK03jj0g3SWa7kRZ_qowv8b-b1Xyn8yYt0D0qT3t_ec/edit?usp=sharing)

Click this link to fill out the form for which session(s) your student would like to attend:

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSckf\\_VvNh7vFzwQ\\_XFAMILYAwO\\_NyUmwFp2CKg94aNr0m1kxfw/viewform?usp=sf\\_link](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSckf_VvNh7vFzwQ_XFAMILYAwO_NyUmwFp2CKg94aNr0m1kxfw/viewform?usp=sf_link)

Payment can be made via [PayPal](#) or a check written out to The Founders Academy and dropped off at the front desk.

### Senior Signs

Attention Class of 2022 Parents, Guardians, and Students!

Celebratory Graduation Lawn Signs now are available for the Class of 2022! Honor your senior with this momentous reminder of their academic achievement!

Signs are \$15 each. Cash, Check (made payable to The Founders Academy) or [PayPal](#) accepted.

Please drop off money at the front desk (attention Mrs. Forsyth).

Fill out [this form](#) to purchase a sign(s) today!

### May/June Schedule

Here is how the final four (!) weeks will look:

**May 30 - June 3**

M - Memorial Day - No School

T - Normal  
W - Normal  
Th - Normal  
F - Monday Schedule

**June 6 - June 10**

M - Friday Schedule  
T - Exam Day #1  
W - Exam Day #2  
Th - Exam Day #3  
F - Exam Day #4

## School Dances

The PTSG is excited to be sponsoring two end of the year dances!

**High School students:** You voted, and we listened! We are proud to be sponsoring a Glow in the Dark themed dance on Friday, June 3 from 6:30 - 9:30PM.



**Middle School students:** On Saturday, June 4 we are sponsoring a Spring Semi-Formal Dance from 6:30- 9:30 pm.



\$5 in advance, \$10 at the door. Tickets will be sold in advance during lunches.

## Memorial Day Flag Fundraiser



This Memorial Day, The Founders Academy will be honoring our deceased military personnel who have died in the performance of their military duties while serving in the United States Armed Forces with a Flag Fundraiser.

With a donation of \$20, we will place an American flag around our school tied with a yellow ribbon containing the name of your loved one. 50% of the proceeds from this fundraiser will go to the Yellow Ribbon Fund charity that helps returning American servicemen and women, injured during active service, who are recovering at Walter Reed Army Medical Center and Bethesda Naval Hospital.

\*Please note that you do not have to include the name of a loved one to participate. If the name of a loved one is not provided, we will choose the name of a service member buried in Arlington National Cemetery.

Flags will be displayed around the school May 23, 2022-June 3, 2022. If you would like to purchase more than one flag, please fill out an additional form(s) for each flag you wish to purchase.

To participate, please [fill out this form](#).

For more information about the Yellow Ribbon Fund please visit:  
<https://yellowribbonfund.org/>

Thank you for your support of this fundraiser!

## School Day Extended

The Board approved the extension of the school day to 3:15pm. **Starting next school year**, the school day will go from 7:45am - 3:15pm.

## 2022-23 Calendar

The Board approved the calendar for the 2022-23 school year.



# 2022/23 Founders Academy Calendar

Calendarpedia  
Your source for calendars

September 2022						
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January 2023						
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February 2023						
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March 2023						
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April 2023						
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May 2023						
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June 2023						
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Approx. end-of-quarter dates: Q1 - 10/28; Q2 - 1/20; Q3 - 3/30; Q4 - 6/9

Graduation - 6/17

PC = Parent/Teacher Conferences; TW = Teacher Workshop Days

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## Federal holidays 2022/23

Sep 5, 2022	Labor Day	Dec 25, 2022	Christmas Day	Jan 1, 2023	New Year's Day	May 29, 2023	Memorial Day
Oct 10, 2022	Columbus Day	Dec 26, 2022	Christmas Day (obs.)	Jan 2, 2023	New Year's Day (obs.)	Jun 19, 2023	Juneteenth
Nov 11, 2022	Veterans Day			Jan 16, 2023	Martin Luther King Day	Jul 4, 2023	Independence Day
Nov 24, 2022	Thanksgiving Day			Feb 20, 2023	Presidents' Day		

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## Stay Tuned - Study Abroad Opportunity

Laura Hogan, one of our French teachers, is planning a study abroad opportunity for next year. There will be an informational session in May, so stay tuned for more details!

## YEARBOOK!

### To Purchase & Customize Your Yearbook:

(Must be a parent or student 13 years or older)

1. Go to [www.treering.com/validate](http://www.treering.com/validate)
2. Enter your school's passcode: 1015266444493125

Regular Price: \$34.90

\*Does not include sales tax, if applicable

You will be asked to create an account with TreeRing or log in if you have purchased a yearbook in the past.

If you have any questions please email Jackie Meilleur [J.meilleur@tfanh.org](mailto:J.meilleur@tfanh.org).

## Receive College Credit for Taking Courses at The Founders Academy

The Founders Academy has partnered up with Manchester Community College to help students receive college credit while simultaneously completing courses for high school credit. What does this mean? Students take a class during the school day here at Founders and receive credit towards their high school graduation and towards their college degree.

Through the Running Start Program, students can enroll in courses of their choice and pay only \$150 for the entire 3-credit course. Even if students don't plan on attending Manchester Community College upon graduation from high school, these college credits transfer to many different colleges and universities. (For reference, the 2022 tuition for in-state undergraduate courses at the University of New Hampshire is \$471 per credit: <https://www.unh.edu/registrar/tuition-fees>).

At this time, students at The Founders Academy can receive college credit/high school credit towards 2 English courses: College Writing and Creative Writing. College Writing is considered a prerequisite to Creative Writing, so if you'd like to receive college credit for both of these courses, they must be taken in sequential order: College Writing in the fall semester and Creative Writing in the spring semester. All courses also need 5 students enrolled in the Running Start Program in order to run.

If you are planning your academic schedule ahead of time, please consider this amazing opportunity! Students have the chance to graduate from The Founders Academy with 2 college courses already completed and 6 college credits on their transcript for just \$300.00.

If you have questions about the **Running Start Program at Manchester Community College**, please contact Major Wheelock: [mwheelock@ccsnh.edu](mailto:mwheelock@ccsnh.edu).

If you have questions about the **College Writing** and **Creative Writing** courses here at The Founders Academy, please contact Dr. Donnelly: [s.donnelly@tfanh.org](mailto:s.donnelly@tfanh.org).

## Features

### Field Day and High School Trip!

Everyone had fun during Field Day and on the high school field trip this year! Thank you to all of our parent volunteers. A special Thank You to Senate and House of Reps for Organizing the events!

## Other

### Hats for Sale

There is a limited supply of school hats for sale! \$15 per hat. Contact Dean Hayes at [cassie.hayes@tfanh.org](mailto:cassie.hayes@tfanh.org) if you're interested in purchasing one to show your school spirit.



## Landscaper Needed!



Do you or someone you know like to mow lawns professionally? If so, The Founders Academy is looking for a landscaping company to hire! Please email [cassie.hayes@tfanh.org](mailto:cassie.hayes@tfanh.org) if you or anyone you know has a landscaping company to keep our school looking sharp.

## Scholarship Program

Click [here](#) to access the scholarship.



JANET L. STEVENS  
EXECUTIVE COUNCIL  
DISTRICT THREE

**The Executive Council of the State of New Hampshire**  
State House, 107 North Main Street, Concord, NH 03301

TO: FAMILIES & EDUCATION ADVOCATES  
DATE: May 10, 2022  
RE: YES, EVERY STUDENT Scholarship Funds Still Available  
FROM: **Executive Councilor Janet Stevens, District Three**

**The Yes, Every Student is a scholarship program** - administered by the New Hampshire Department of Education - is intended to support families and others whose educational pathways were adversely impacted by COVID and provide expanded learning opportunities. **Scholarships up to \$1,000 are still available – I would encourage all to apply ASAP.**

**Eligible students:** All public, private and non-public school-age students who reside in New Hampshire.  
**Scholarship amount:** \$1,000 for supplemental services  
**Eligible uses and education providers:** Tutoring provided by NHDOE-certified educators and special education therapies and services provided by NHDOE-certified special education teachers or licensed therapists.

Please see the link below for online application and additional information for Yes, Every Student.

<https://yeseducation.nh.gov/?fbclid=IwAR1QKINvy4ILjI5yN18QjWGsiNNmWuu0iJZ-VTZU2TaD2Ky06MaL6tCYatM>

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## Founders Academy Car Magnets

Love The Founders Academy? Display your school pride on your ride when you purchase a Founders Academy car magnet for only \$5.00! These make great gifts for students, parents, and grandparents. Purchase one for every vehicle! Supplies of these beautiful 4-inch round magnets are limited so...ORDER NOW!

# Show Your Support!

Purchase a  
Founders Academy  
Car Magnet!

## Only \$5 Each

4" x 4"

Get One For  
Each Car In  
Your Family!



**LIMITED  
SUPPLY!**

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**Remember:**

- Never put your magnet on a dirty car (you could scratch your car's paint!).
- Clean both sides of your magnet whenever you wash your car (or more often!).
- Do not place on horizontal surfaces (such as automobile hoods!).
- Remove magnet by lifting entire magnet from surface (do not slide the magnet across the surface!).

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

# of Magnets Ordered: \_\_\_\_\_ Payment by  Check

Cash

Total Enclosed: \$

Make checks payable to The Founders Academy

## Donations

### Soccer Team Fundraiser

Our students are trying to raise money to start a soccer team! Click [here](#) to help them. Thank you in advance!

### Latex Glove Donations

We are looking for latex glove donations for the health office, in larger sizes. Thank you in advance!

## Highly Needed Items

We are currently in need of **ramen cups, mac and cheese cups, paper towels, paper bowls, and tissues**. Thank you in advance!

## Bridge the Gap



[Annual Fund Letter from Dean Hayes](#)

## Founders On Social Media

### Follow Us!

Be sure to follow Founders on **Facebook** here:



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

Be sure to follow Founders on **Twitter** here:



Check out Founders **Youtube** Channel here:





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