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PARENT/GUARDIAN NEWSLETTER

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From the Dean of School



Greetings Founders Community,

We have one full week of school before a week's vacation. Due to the holidays this month, we are missing a few SAS testing dates with Convenient MD. Fortunately, they are willing to add an additional session on Friday November 19th. If you would like to sign up for the screening tests, please see the link below.

-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

Need to Know

PART-TIME STUDY HALL POSITION

We are looking for a part-time position to help cover study halls from 11:25-2:25 every day. This is a paid position. If you are interested, please contact Dean Hayes at cassie.hayes@tfanh.org.

POSITIONS OPEN

We are looking to fill these following positions:

- Full time chorus teacher
- Paraprofessional
- Full time special education

If you are interested in any of these positions or know of anyone who would be interested, resumes can be sent to Dean Hayes at cassie.hayes@tfanh.org.

SASS RESULT ACCOUNT LOG-IN

To find your students' SASS results, follow [these instructions](#) to log in to your account.

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](#).

CALL LIST FOR IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENTS

When The Founders Academy has to make very important announcements - such as school delays, unplanned early dismissals, or cancellations - we use an automated dialing system. Due to this year's pandemic, it is especially important for parents/guardians to receive these calls so that we can quickly distribute information regarding our school.

Please fill out [this form](#) to be added to the Call List. You are able to enter which phone numbers are called. If you have more than one student, please fill out a separate form for each. **We begin each school year with a blank call list, so if you do not fill out this form, you will not receive any phone notifications when we have school delays or cancellations (even if you filled this out last year).**

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.

SAVE THE DATES

What:	When:
Restaurant Night	December 11, 2021
No School - Thanksgiving Break!	November 22-26, 2021

2021/22 SCHOOL CALENDAR

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

http://www.thefoundersacademy.org/calendar/2021_-_22_school_calendar

School News

Spirit Week 2021

Spirit Week starts on Monday November 15, so encourage your students to participate in the fun!

Monday, 11/15: Pajama Day (dress code appropriate)

Tuesday, 11/16: Back to the Future Day - dress up as a decade of your choice

Wednesday, 11/17: Character Day - Dress as your favorite book or TV character (school appropriate)

Thursday, 11/18: Anything But a Backpack Day - carry your school supplies in anything but your backpack (keep classroom size in mind)

Friday, 11/19: Red Carpet Day - dress up semi-formal or formal

Pat's Peak Ski Program

Information coming soon!

NJHS 2021 Holiday Angel Tree Program

The National Junior Honor Society, in conjunction with the Board of Trustees and school administration, is proud to sponsor **The Founders Academy 2021 Angel Tree Program** for the upcoming holiday/winter season. There are two ways that families can participate - as a donor, or as a recipient.

For recipients: We are currently accepting requests for the 2021 program. Please fill out [this form](#) if you would like to be considered for assistance. **Participation is confidential** and gift delivery will be coordinated through school administrators and the student services department. Your privacy will always be respected.

For donors: For every item requested from the recipients in our community, an "ornament" will be placed on our Angel Tree in the front lobby of the school. Please [sign up here](#) to indicate your interest and ability to be a donor Angel.

Together, we can make this upcoming holiday season and winter a little brighter, and warmer, for those in need. Now is the time to come together as a community to show our children that citizenship and service are alive and well at The Founders Academy!

From the Registrar: Important Dates/Schedule Adjustments

Here are some important dates and class schedule adjustments that are happening in November and December.

- Monday 11/15 through Friday 11/19 - Normal 5-day week
- Monday 11/22 through Friday 11/26 - **NO SCHOOL** (Thanksgiving Vacation! 🦃)
- Monday 11/29 through Friday 12/17 - Three normal 5-day weeks
- Monday 12/20 through Friday 12/31 - Two weeks of **NO SCHOOL** (Winter Vacation! 🧑‍❄️)

Standardized Test Schedule 2021-2022

SAT/PSAT/SAS (ELA & Math)

- 3/23 (Wed) - Grade 8 (PSAT); Grade 9 (PSAT); Grade 11 (SAT)
- 4/13 (Wed) - Grade 7 (SAS); Grade 10 (PSAT) - 125 Total Students
- 4/20 (Wed) - Grade 8 (SAS); Grade 9 & 11 (PSAT & SAT Makeups)
- Anytime in April/May - Grade 6 (SAS) - Rest of school will have normal day(s)

If students are not testing on these days, they will NOT have school.

SAS Science (During normal school day; Held during normally scheduled Science classes)

- Grade 8
 - 5/4 & 5/5 (Wednesday/Thursday)
- Grade 11
 - 5/11 (Wednesday)

SASS Testing

Convenient MD and The New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services has partnered with The Founders Academy to offer the Safer at School Screening (SASS) Program for this school year.

With a common goal of full, in-person learning in mind, Convenient MD will be performing free COVID-19 testing of asymptomatic students, staff, and faculty on a bi-weekly basis at Founders. Parents and staff must opt in to this program to be tested.

If you would like to opt in to this program for your child, please click [here](#).

Admissions

Enrollment for 2022-2023 School Year

On Wednesday, September 15, 2021, The Founders Academy public charter school opened admissions for the 2022-2023 school year. To apply for admission, visit our website at www.thefoundersacademy.org.

The deadline for applications and associated materials to be submitted is **March 15, 2022**.

The Founders Academy is an open enrollment, public charter school serving grades 5-12. New Hampshire applicants who meet the school's admission criteria may apply. The school may accept out-of-state applicants at a fee to be set annually, on a space-available basis. It is important for any applicant considering enrolling at The Founders Academy to be certain that they are interested in pursuing a rigorous education within the mission and vision of our school.

Founders' curriculum focuses on student character and a classical education, including studies in history, leadership, ethics, debate, business and finance, classical literature as well as the standard high school curriculum of math, science, languages, and the arts.

For more information, please email admissions@tfanh.org or call (603) 952-4705.

The Founders Academy does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, marital status, national/ethnic origin, age, sex, sexual orientation, or disability in its programs, activities, admissions and employment practices. This refers to, but is not limited to, the provisions of the following laws:

Titles IV, VI, and VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 - race color, national origin

The Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967

- The Age Discrimination Act of 1975
- Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 (Title IX) - sex
- Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (Section 504) - disability
- The Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA) - disability
- NH Law against discrimination (RSA 354-A)
- Title XV Section 194-B:1

Clubs

Ski and Snowboard Program

McIntyre Ski Area Ski & Snowboard Program



2022 Learn to Ski and Snowboard Club

The Founders Academy Charter School

Will be partnering with McIntyre Ski Area in Manchester, NH to provide ski & snowboard lessons to students during McIntyre's Mighty Macs after school lesson program! McIntyre has been providing snowsports programs to children for over 25 years. McIntyre provides children with a fun, safe and unintimidating environment to learn a sport that will last them a lifetime!

The Founders Academy Charter School will be attending Snowsports Club at McIntyre on:

Fridays from 4:00pm to 6:00pm beginning January 7th, 2022

Lessons will take place on: Jan 7th, Jan 14th, Jan 21st, Jan 28th, and Feb 4th.

What is the Mighty Macs program?

- Consecutive 5 weeks Learn to Ski and Snowboard.
- Two-hour lesson with a small group setting of no more than 8 children per group.
- Groups are combined based on age and ability level.

Need Equipment?

- **Rentals:** Rentals are available for the program if you do not have your own equipment.
 - Once registered, stop by McIntyre to be fitted for your rentals.
 - Please check with your school for dates on McIntyre Fitting nights. These nights only - save up to 30% on items in the ski shop.
- **Lease:** We also offer seasonal leases for Ski and Snowboard equipment.
- **Bring your own:** Mark your equipment with your name and school. *Proper gear is required for safety reasons.

What is the cost?

- Mighty Macs Lessons (all 5 weeks)
 - Lessons: \$190
 - Rentals: \$90
 - Helmet Rental \$25
- Registration closes at 9am on December 20th.

How to register:

- Register online at www.mcintyreskiarea.com
 - Click Learn to Ski tab
 - Click School Programs
 - Select The Founders Academy Charter School
 - Fill out the registration form

School Coordinator Contact:

- Jacqueline Lianos
- Jax0777@hotmail.com

Have Questions for McIntyre?

- Email Tom@mcintyreskiarea.com
- Call 603-622-6159
- Visit www.mcintyreskiarea.com

To get more information and to register your student(s), click [here](#).

Theatre Club

From Mr. Dauphinee:

"Theatre will meet Thursday afternoons directly after school until 4:45. Pick-up will be at the back right corner of the school (Not sure how to specify my window/door.) Auditions will be held as soon as the rights to the show are obtained. I have sent an inquiry form to the company regarding the rights to a 30-40 minute comedy. Look forward to seeing you all again on Thursday!

-Mr. D"

PTSG Club

Part of the Parent Teacher Student Group (PTSG) mission is to promote student leadership through various activities throughout the school and to provide opportunities for family engagement.

The PTSG is proud to offer an after school club running on Mondays from 3:15- 4:00pm. Open to students of all grades interested in learning leadership, group dynamics, supporting and developing plans for student and family engagement. The group will be promoting school activities, planning and staffing events, and will have the option of participating in volunteer opportunities. If you want more information, please contact PTSG@tfanh.org.

Features

Veterans' Day Assembly

On Tuesday, November 9 we observed Veterans' Day and honored our veterans as a school community with an outdoor assembly. Thank you to the veterans who showed up to be guest speakers, thank you to Mr. Mihaly for organizing the assembly, thank you to the members of our school's chorus for singing during the assembly, and especially thank you to all the veterans who fought for our country.



Other

COVID Vaccine Sites for Children

If you have children ages 5-11 and you would like them to get the COVID vaccine, click [here](#) for a list of pharmacy sites around New Hampshire that offer the vaccine for those ages.

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!

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Founders Academy
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Only \$5 Each

4" x 4"

Get One For
Each Car In
Your Family!



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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

Mrs. Strub's Round Table Community Service

Mrs. Strub's 8th grade Round Table is collecting donations for The Manchester Animal Shelter this year. We are looking for donations of clean towels, blankets, dried dog and cat food, canned dog and cat food, kitty litter, new toys and unopened dog and cat treats. All donations may be dropped off at Mrs. Strub's classroom #165. We will be collecting donations through December 17. Thank you for considering helping out our local shelter!

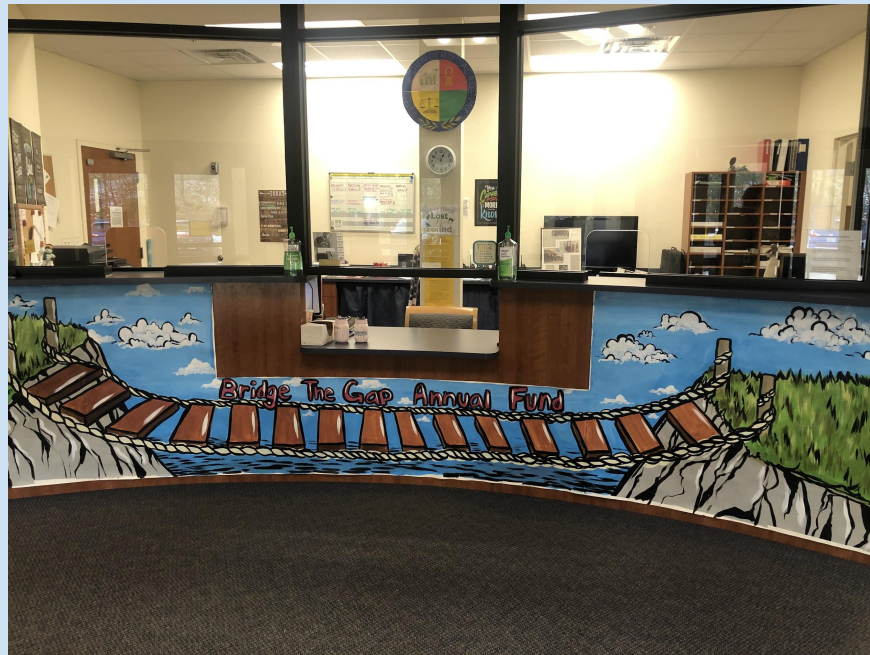
Needed Items

Here is a list of items we are looking for at the school:

- Ramen noodle CUPS and mac and cheese CUPS
- Light blue copy paper
- Copy paper
- AA and AAA Batteries

Bridge the Gap

Information on the 2021-22 Bridge the Gap fundraiser is coming soon!



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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