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PARENT/GUARDIAN NEWSLETTER

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From the Dean of School



Greetings Founders Community,

We have two weeks left of Q1, I can't believe it! Please be sure to check the parent portal for updated information on student grades. Students should speak to their teachers soon regarding missing work if necessary.

Thank you all for your efforts to help reduce the spread of Covid-19. We have had less cases this week. With that being said, we are able to loosen our mask requirements slightly at this time. Students may remove their mask in band or chorus if they are seated at least 8ft apart. Students may remove their mask if they are seated at least 6ft from others indoors. The required distance must be able to be maintained for the option of mask removal. Students may always keep their mask on even when the option to remove a mask is present. Thank you for your continued support.

-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

POSITIONS OPEN

We are looking to fill these following positions:

- Full time chorus teacher
- Paraprofessional

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.

PHONE COMMUNICATION

Our phones have been functioning at a more satisfactory rate in the past week, however there may still be times when calls don't come through. We are working on fixing the problem completely. If you need to call regarding your student's absence, you can email attendance@tfanh.org and if you need to call for any other reasons and can't reach us through the main phone line, you can call either of these two numbers: (603) 361-0694 or (603) 361-0475.

Besides email, we use social media as an additional way to communicate with families. Please review [this documentation](#) which explains how Facebook pages are used.

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 upcoming 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:
No School - Teacher Workshop	October 20, 2021
End of Quarter 1	October 29, 2021

2021/22 SCHOOL CALENDAR

Calendar for the 2021/22 school year. **Updated 9/17/2021**

2021/22 School Calendar

Calendarpedia
Your source for calendars

September 2021						
Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
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November 2021						
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February 2022						
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April 2022						
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May 2022						
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June 2022						
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19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30		*8

Approx. end-of-quarter dates: Q1 - 10/29; Q2 - 1/21; Q3 - 3/31; Q4 - 6/10

Graduation - 6/18

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

Federal holidays 2021/22

Sep 6, 2021	Labor Day	Nov 25, 2021	Thanksgiving Day	Dec 31, 2021	New Year's Day (obs.)	Feb 21, 2022	Presidents' Day
Oct 11, 2021	Columbus Day	Dec 24, 2021	Christmas Day (obs.)	Jan 1, 2022	New Year's Day	May 30, 2022	Memorial Day
Nov 11, 2021	Veterans Day	Dec 25, 2021	Christmas Day	Jan 17, 2022	Martin Luther King Day	Jul 4, 2022	Independence Day

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School News

Community Clean-Up 10/16

We will have our final community clean up of the season this Saturday. From 11-12 families can join us to help clean trash on campus, pick up leaves, and clean up around the building. We are in need of new plants to be potted in our large pots in the front. If you are able to provide materials and re-pot on Saturday, we would appreciate it. Feel free to stay for a picnic lunch with other families immediately following. Thank you for your support!

PTSG Fall Festival

THE FOUNDERS ACADEMY PTSG INVITES
YOU TO THE


**FALL
FESTIVAL**

OCTOBER 16 5:30 TO 7:30 PM



THERE WILL BE MUSIC, GAMES WITH PRIZES,
PUMPKIN PAINTING, DONUT EATING CONTEST,
AND WE WILL BE DRAWING THE \$500 PUMPKIN
RAFFLE WINNER!

BRING CASH FOR THE 50/50, RAFFLES,
AND OPPORTUNITY TO PURCHASE
EXTRA TICKETS TO VOTE FOR YOUR
FAVORITE SCARECROW!

ADMISSION IS \$5 PER PERSON OR \$20 PER FAMILY
AND INCLUDES ONE SLICE OF PIZZA, WATER, AND
VOTE FOR SCARECROWS PER PERSON.

Sign up Genius below for donations and volunteers at the festival, any help is appreciated!
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0B4FABA82AA5FA7-fall>

Standardized Test Schedule 2021-2022

SAT/PSAT/SAS (ELA & Math)

- 10/26 (Tue) - Grade 9 (PSAT); Grade 11 (PSAT/NMSQT)
- 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](#).

Parent Teacher Student Group

THE FOUNDERS ACADEMY

**PARENT
TEACHER
STUDENT
GROUP**

Join today!




\$5 membership fee

- Support the students
- Support the school
- Meet new families
- Create memories
- Help make a difference

Activities listed in circles:

- Summer Send Off
- Fall Festival
- Operation Drop-off
- Movie Nights
- Operation Stock School Pantry
- Dances
- Penny Wars
- Pumpkin Raffle
- And More!

Join the Facebook page-

 Founders Academy Community

Executive Board Members	
<p>Presidents</p> <p>Tom Huot (Parent) - thomas.huot@fhanh.org Elizabeth Sanville (Parent) - elizabeth.sanville@fhanh.org</p>	<p>VP Fundraising</p> <p>Maria Hawkins (Parent) - maria.hawkins@fhanh.org Cassie McNelly (Parent) - cassie.mcnelly@fhanh.org</p>
<p>VP Membership</p> <p>Kate Robichaud (Teacher) - k.robichaud@fhanh.org Mike Tebbetts (Teacher) - m.tebbetts@fhanh.org</p>	<p>Treasurer</p> <p>Scott Perron (Parent) - scott.perron@fhanh.org</p>
	<p>Secretary</p> <p>Francesca Vesey (Student)</p>

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

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

1st Annual Founders Academy Character and Leadership Run/Walk

Thank you to everyone who joined us on Sunday, October 10, 2021, for our **1st Annual Founders Academy Character and Leadership Run/Walk!** The weather was picture perfect for the runners and walkers of all ages who joined us on the 1-mile course. Many thanks to all our sponsors who helped to make this such a successful event for The Founders Academy!





Other

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

Needed Items

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

- **HIGHLY NEEDED:** Plastic forks (**only forks**)
- Copy paper
- Single-use ice packs
- Heating pads
- Ramen noodles (**in cups only**)
- Rolling rack to hang clothes

Used Graphing Calculators

We are looking for graphing calculators that aren't being used anymore. Thank you in advance for your donations!

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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