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## From the Dean of School



Happy Friday!

A special thank you to Bridget Hyotte who is The Founders Academy liaison with the Manchester Transit Authority (i.e., Manchester school buses). Founders does not control the routes, drivers or times of the buses, but we are fortunate to have Mrs. Hyotte relay the ongoing changes of the bus to students and parents. Thank you for all your time and attention, Mrs. Hyotte!

Enjoy your weekend!

Sincerely,  
Maureen Mooney  
Dean of School

### Barnes & Noble Night for Founders Starts Tonight!

Tonight (10/16) and tomorrow (10/17), all books sales at the Barnes & Noble on 1741 S. Willow Street, Manchester will benefit TFA! The hours are 9 AM until 10PM. Use this code when making purchase tonight and tomorrow: **11695855**.

This is a great fundraiser for the school. Thank you for supporting Founders!!!!

### Admissions Information Night - October 21

Our first Admissions Info Night was a great success! Thanks to all those who passed the word along about TFA. Our next Info Night is on **October 21**. Again, this is for incoming students and parents to hear more about the school and meet the faculty. It'll start at 6:00 p.m. and will go until 7:30 p.m. Anyone interested in learning more about TFA is welcome to come.

Those current parents who wish to apply for a sibling must complete the application process with the newly established deadline including placement tests. **The application deadline is January 29, 2016.**

### Flu Shots Available on October 21

Rivier University will be offering flu shots at TFA on **October 21** from 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM. They will base the number of available vaccines on the responses received via survey (which was sent out earlier this week). This is open to TFA parents and students. If you have insurance please bring the card with you, they will bill the insurance company directly. If you do not have insurance simply let them know and you will not be charged.

If you would like your child to receive a flu shot, a consent form must be signed in advance [here](#) or at the

front desk.

## Hannaford Fundraising Opportunity

Shopping at Hannaford can help raise money for TFA! When buying participating products, marked by a “helps schools” tag, you also donate money to your child’s school. Forms will be going home with students today for your convenience.

**This opportunity ends November 28.** For more information, click this link [here](#) for Hannaford.

## Washington D.C. School Trip

Spots are filling up for the Washington D.C. trip!

All 7th, 8th, and 9th graders are invited to join TFA as it explores history in our nation’s capitol! The itinerary, parent letter/payment plan is on the website under [Student Life](#). If you have any questions, contact Deb Waitt at her email, [debra.waitt@tfanh.org](mailto:debra.waitt@tfanh.org). The trip is in May, 2016.



We can only accommodate the first 40 students. Please return your permission slip and non-refundable \$50 deposit as soon as possible.

## Retake Picture Day - Oct 29

Picture Day was a great success!

Pictures will be ready to order (if you haven’t done so already) in about two weeks. Picture proofs with unique codes will be sent home next week (as soon as we get them) so parents can order more pictures online if they are happy with them.

If your child was sick or the pictures aren’t to your liking, retakes are scheduled for **Thursday, October 29**. If you have any questions, [C3 Photography](#) invites you to contact them directly.

Thanks!

## Mr. Greene’s Donors Choose - FULLY FUNDED!

Thanks to everyone who donated to Mr. Greene’s project. It’s fully funded! The supplies have been shipped already. The students are so excited to start experiments with their new equipment.

Again, thank you for donating. All of you help TFA so much, and we appreciate everything you do!

## “Inside the Classroom”

Hola!

Señorita E couldn't be more proud of her Spanish speaking learners! Foundations of Spanish class is currently exploring and learning numbers, telling time, days of the week and months of the year. We have been working on some crucial grammar points in Spanish too, like conjugating verbs. In just a few weeks the students will be learning all Spanish speaking countries and capitals along with their locations.

In Introduction to Foreign Languages we are working with depth of knowledge on creating, speaking, and writing basic sentences. Students are acknowledging the formulas that are needed to create these sentences and comparing how they are different from what they learn in an English class. Spanish 1 is using student skills to explore more vocab, verbs, and how to create more grammatically detailed sentences.

In the next week or so, we will start to focus on our cultural aspect of the month with Dia de los Muertos (Day of the Dead). This is a cultural holiday in Mexico to celebrate the loss of loved ones. We will be learning the importance of the day, how it's celebrated, and even partake in some of the celebrating aspects.

The year is off to a fabulous start here in Room 125!

Saludos,  
Srta. Efraimson

Read Ms. Efraimson's full syllabus for her classes [here](#).



## Adopt-A-Plot

**From the Garden Committee and Adopt-a-Plot:** *Trimmers Landscaping* has completed the prepping of the soil. If you have signed up for a plot(s), please check with Deb Waitt for payment and the adoption process will be complete!

Each plot will be marked with yellow flags and you will be given your plot number. There is a pile of mulch at the end of the parking lot for you to use to complete your landscaping.

### Ideas for fall:

- \*plant bulbs for a beautiful surprize in the spring
- \*design a fall landscape with a pumpkin or scarecrow, perhaps
- \*think ahead for some ideas for fall/winter.....or at least until the snow flies!



## 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 Deb Waitt at 603.952.4705 or [debra.waitt@tfanh.org](mailto:debra.waitt@tfanh.org). We'll add you to the list!

## Absent /Tardy Students

Please remember to email [attendance@tfanh.org](mailto:attendance@tfanh.org) if your child is absent. Additionally, every third unexcused tardy shall constitute an one- full day unexcused absence. Please review the TFA's entire Attendance Policy in the handbook [Section 2.2](#).

## Karate Opportunity at TFA

Karate classes will be offered at TFA by the House of the Samurai! They'll be held in six-week sessions **starting November 2**, every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 3:30 PM - 4:30 PM at Founders. At the assembly on October 9, students saw and learned about the exciting opportunity the House of the Samurai will be bringing to TFA.

**There will also be a FREE TRIAL week starting October 26 for students to try out classes.**

Watch for information and the registration form [here](#).



## Let's Have a Healthy Year at Founders!

The following are instances when your child needs to be kept home, will be sent home, and may need to be evaluated by his or her primary care physician:

- \*Fever greater than 100.4 degrees (they must be fever free for 24 hrs before returning to school)
- \*Vomiting and/or diarrhea (can not return to school until 24 hrs from last vomiting episode, this does not include time when medication to prevent vomiting or diarrhea was given)
- \*Sore throat accompanied by other cold symptoms, headache, nausea, fever
- \*Severe ear pain, or drainage from the ear
- \*Severe headache, especially if accompanied with fever
- \*Severe cough or cold symptoms including, excessive nasal drainage, congestion, persistent cough (which may disrupt sleep), wheezing, body aches, (may or may not present with fever)
- \*Diagnosis of any contagious infections/virus including; Flu, Conjunctivitis, Strep etc. (some of the listed diagnosis will require 24 hours of antibiotic treatment prior to return "i.e." strep, conjunctivitis)



Thank you!

## School Store

Thank you all for donating to the TFA store. We have plenty of office supplies to last us for a while! Now we find ourselves in need of some food supplies: healthy snacks and drinks for students to buy, and we would appreciate any donations of nonperishable meals like Mac & Cheese for those who forgot lunches or simply didn't have enough time to get them ready.

The store is open twice per week (on Tuesday and Friday) during lunch time. We're also looking for more volunteer parents to help out with running the store. Please contact Cindy Lacasse (cindy.lacasse@tfanh.org) if interested.

Thanks again!

## Club/Committee News

To see all clubs and committees (and more to come), click [here](#).

### Dance Committee Hosts School Dance

The Dance Committee is planning a Halloween Dance on **October 23 from 6:30 to 8:30pm**. Please keep in mind that the dance is only for students who attend Founder's Academy. Costumes are allowed, but there are no masks or weapons.

Thank you, Dance Committee, for ALL the work you do! We hope to see a lot of students there.

### Costume Day - October 30

Halloween is sneaking up! On Friday, October 30, the Student Spirit Committee will host a Costume Day during school. To those who want to participate, all costumes must be Dress Code appropriate with these additional rules:

- No face masks (partial or full) worn during the school day.
- 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. All costumes at the October 23 school dance follow the same guidelines. For more information on the dance, look under Club/Committee News.

We hope to see some fun and creative outfits!

## Drama Club

A note from Ms. Mote, Director of the Drama Club:

Many thanks to everyone who auditioned! I am so excited to begin the Drama Club's next production and sincerely impressed by the level of talent at TFA! For those who may not have seen the posted cast list, it can be found [here](#) and on my page on the website. Rehearsals will begin soon, once we have the scripts in. Until then, students and parents can read up on the story of Anne of Green Gables and make sure that they have turned in their audition forms with parent signatures. It's going to be a wonderful year for the Drama Club!

Thanks!

- Kate

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## Important Dates

**School calendar online link:** <http://www.thefoundersacademy.org/calendar>

October 16 and 17, 2015	FUNDRAISER: Barnes & Noble (1741 S. Willow St., Manchester, NH) all book sales to benefit TFA on October 16 and 17, 2015. Hours are 9AM until 10PM. Use this CODE: 11695855
October 21, 2015	Board of Trustees (School Board) Meeting at 4pm.
October 21, 2015	Health Fair, as well as diabetes and cholesterol screenings, and back to school physicals (parental/guardian consent required) offered by Rivier University. 9-4PM. Flu Shots will be available for both students and adults. 8AM
October 21, 2015	Admissions Information Night for incoming students and parents (6:00-7:30PM)
October 23, 2015	Field Trip: Tour of Freedom Trail
October 23, 2015	Halloween Dance from 6:30-8:30pm at Founders.
October 29, 2015	School photo retakes.
October 30, 2015	Friday Morning Assembly: Student reenactment of Battle of Lexington and Concord.
November 5, 2015	Outreach Meeting at 7pm.
November 6, 2015	First Quarter grades close.
November 6, 2015	Friday Morning Assembly: New Horizons/Charlie Sherman

November 11, 2015	Veterans Day. No School.
November 13, 2015	First Quarter Report Cards emailed to students and primary parent/guardian.
November 13, 2015	Student-led assembly honoring Veterans at 8:00am.
November 16, 2016	Parent Teacher Conferences. No School.
November 18, 2015	Field Trip: Museum of Science in Boston
November 21, 2015	Science and Inventors Club Fundraiser.
November 25-29, 2015	Thanksgiving Break. No School.
December 14, 2015	Chorus Concert at 7pm.
December 15, 2015	Band Concert at 7pm
<i>[December 16, 2015]</i>	<i>Snow date for concerts</i>
December 19 - January 3, 2016	Holiday Break. No School.
January 18, 2016	Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day. No School.
January 19 - January 22, 2016	Mid-Terms
January 22, 2016	Second Quarter grades close.
January 29, 2016	Second Quarter Report Cards emailed to students and primary parent/guardian.
February 20-28, 2016	Winter Break. No School.
March 25, 2016	Professional Development Day. No School.
March 28, 2016	Combined Concert at 7pm.
April 1, 2016	Third Quarter grades close.
April 8, 2016	Third Quarter Report Cards emailed to students and primary parent/guardian.
April 15, 2016	Friday Morning Assembly: Drama Production Play Preview
April 15, 2016	Drama Production. Time: TBA
April 16, 2016	Drama Production. Time: TBA
April 18, 2016	Gen. John Stark Day at Founders
April 22, 2016	Field Trip: Shakespeare Folio at the Currier Gallery of Art. More details to come.
April 23 - May 1, 2016	Spring Break. No School.
May 9 - 10, 2016	Science and Inventors Fair.
May 13, 2016	Field Trip: 8th, 9th grades on a lake cruise.
May 16, 2016	Field Trip: 6th, 7th grades on Field and Forest Trip.



May 18 - 21, 2016	Trip to Washington DC for grades 7, 8, 9. For more details, contact Ms. Mote at <a href="mailto:k.mote@tfanh.org">k.mote@tfanh.org</a> .
May 27, 2016	Great East Music Festival Field Trip.
May 30, 2016	Memorial Day. No School
May 31 - June 3, 2016	Final Exams.
June 6, 2016	Field Trip: Walden Pond
June 6, 2016	Chorus Concert at 7pm.
June 7, 2016	Band Concert at 7pm.
June 10, 2016	Last Day of School.
June 10, 2016	Fourth Quarter grades close.
June 17, 2016	Fourth Quarter Report Cards emailed to student and primary parent/guardian.



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