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## From the Dean of School



Happy Friday!

I want to especially thank the **student and parent volunteers** who are regularly at the school throughout the summer! The students have been helping in the library, moving furniture, and serving as ambassadors when special guests visit. The parent volunteers have dropped off supplies, retrieved and moved furniture, donated items, weed-whacked the back lot, and provided me with valuable feedback, suggestions, and support. THANK YOU ALL.

Like last summer, I'm having "**Open Office Hours**" if you would like to meet with me or introduce yourself and your student to me. If you would like to make an appointment, please email [lauren.brouillette@tfanh.org](mailto:lauren.brouillette@tfanh.org).

Have a great weekend!

Sincerely,  
Maureen Mooney

## Summer Visit from House Speaker Shawn Jasper and House Leadership

On Thursday, August 4, members of leadership in the New Hampshire House of Representatives visited Founders! **Speaker of the House Shawn Jasper** (Hudson), **Majority Leader Dick Hinch** (Merrimack), and **Speaker of Pro Temp Sherm Packard** (Londonderry) were welcomed by Student Ambassadors.

The State Representatives had a reception with students, faculty and trustees, spoke to those in attendance, heard a presentation from Dean Mooney, listened to student speaker Emily A., and enjoyed a tour of the school. All three gentlemen are important supporters of charter schools in New Hampshire. Thank you Representatives for your visit and support!

Student Ambassadors were:

Madeleine G.  
Allison O.  
Catherine H.  
Aidan H.  
Fiona H.  
Emily A.



## Donors Choose Project for Ms. Griffin's Science

Check out Ms. Griffin's new Donors Choose project! She's trying to raise money for dissection tools for our science department at The Founders Academy.

[Dissection on the Cutting Edge \(Griffin\)](#)

Thank you for all the support you give us through these fundraisers!

## FULLY FUNDED - THANK YOU - Founders Academy Green Room

*It is with great pleasure that I inform you that our green room project has been **fully funded**. **Thank you** to each and everyone of you that have contributed to the success of this project. Stay tuned for unboxing photos and the kids using the equipment once it arrives. Your contribution will help change the face of education at our school.*

*With gratitude,  
Ms. Marcotte*

I want to make sure my students have the materials they need to succeed, so I just created a request for my classroom at [DonorsChoose.org](#): [Founders Academy Green Room](#).

If you chip in to help my students, you'll get awesome photos and our heartfelt thanks.

Thanks so much,  
Joanna

P.S. If you know anyone who may want to help my classroom, please pass this along!

Here is a picture of Ms. Marcotte and the Chromebook computers from her last successful DonorsChoose.org project:



## Welcoming New Faculty: Ms. Marion Allan

Founders welcomes Ms. Allan, who will teach Spanish part-time this coming school year!



Education:  
B.A. University of Maine at Farmington Major: International Relations Minor: French

M.A.T. Rivier University Spanish Education  
Study abroad in Le Mans, France and Mayaguez, Puerto Rico

"I started working as an international flight attendant and Spanish interpreter for Continental Airlines immediately after graduating college. I spent 8 years with the airline, working and visiting most of the countries and major cities in Central and South America. My favorite place to fly to was Quito, Ecuador and I chose to make that my primary destination for work. I spent 5 years working and living in Quito and during that time I fell in love with the people and culture of Ecuador. Besides Ecuador, some of my favorite destinations in Latin America were Santiago, Chile, Panama City, Panama and Barranquilla, Colombia. My job as a flight attendant also gave me the opportunity to travel and explore the world in its entirety and I was able to travel throughout Europe and Asia. I was very lucky to vacation in places like Sicily and Portugal and work flights to Hong Kong and Tokyo.

I have always wanted to teach and share my love of the Spanish language and culture of the Spanish speaking countries I grew to love, so I left the airline to go back to grad school and complete my education degree. I worked as a Spanish translator and interpreter in the financial services and investment industry while I was in graduate school.

My family and friends are very important to me. I love to cook and watch TV or movies with my family when I have time to relax. I am a very active person and live a healthy and active lifestyle. I teach dance fitness classes and can usually be found at a gym or dance studio either taking or teaching some kind of fitness class. I enjoy a lot of outdoor activities; hiking, swimming, ice skating and rollerblading are my favorites. Travel is a big part of my life and I am always ready to find a new adventure and places to explore."

Ms. Allan can be reached at: [m.allan@tfanh.org](mailto:m.allan@tfanh.org)

## Important Dates

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

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

<b>Date(s)</b>	<b>Event(s)</b>
August 17, 2016	Board of Trustees Meeting, 4:00PM
August 29-31, 2016	Teacher Orientation
September 2, 2016	6th Grade Orientation, 9:00AM - 2:00PM for all incoming 6th graders.
September 6, 2016	First Day of School
September 6, 2016	Beginning of the year Convocation
September 8, 2016	Back to School Night/Parent Portal Training/Meet Teachers, 5:30 - 7:30 PM
September 8, 2016	Europe Trip 2017 Meeting (immediately after Back of School Night) (contact is <a href="mailto:k.barlow@tfanh.org">k.barlow@tfanh.org</a> )

September 9, 2016	School-wide Moment of Silence for September 11, 2001
September 15, 2016	Picture Day
September 16, 2016	Constitution Day
September 16, 2016	Friday Assembly - Teacher Introductions Part I
September 21, 2016	Board of Trustees Meeting, 7:00AM
September 23, 2016	Friday Assembly - Teacher Introductions Part II
September 30, 2016	Health Fair (Rivier University)
October 7, 2016	Friday Assembly - Brandon Karpf, U.S. Naval Academy
October 10, 2016	Columbus Day (No School)
October 13, 2016	Re-Take Picture Day
October 15, 2016	Admissions Information Day 8:30am-12:30pm.
October 19, 2016	Board of Trustees Meeting, 4:00PM
October 22, 2016	1st Annual Founders Craft Fair/Vendor Fair (contact <a href="mailto:robin.gage@tfanh.org">robin.gage@tfanh.org</a> for more information).
November 4, 2016	Last day of First Quarter; Locker clean-outs.
November 10, 2016 (Note the new date)	Parent Teacher Conferences. (No School)
November 11, 2016	First Quarter Report Cards emailed to parent/guardians on @tfanh.org email accounts.
November 11, 2016	Veterans Day (No School)
November 16, 2016	Board of Trustees Meeting, 7:00AM
November 23-25, 2016 (Note the new dates)	Thanksgiving Recess (No School)
December 7, 2016	School-wide Moment of Silence for Pearl Harbor Day
December 16, 2016	Friday Assembly - Morgan Andrews, Nationally Recognized Soccer Player
December 20, 2016	Deadline for Applications
December 21 2016 - January 2, 2017	Holiday Recess (No School)
January 16, 2017	Martin Luther King Jr./Civil Rights Day (No School)
January 18, 2017	Board of Trustees Meeting, 4:00PM
January 20, 2017	Last day of Second Quarter; Locker clean-outs

January 21, 2017	Admissions Information Day 8:30am-12:30pm.
January 27, 2017	School-wide Moment of Silence for the Challenger space shuttle crew, January 28, 1986
January 27, 2017	Second Quarter Report Cards emailed to parent/guardians on @tfanh.org email accounts.
February 15, 2017	Board of Trustees Meeting, 7:00AM
February 20, 2017	Presidents Day
February 27 - March 3, 2017	Winter Recess (No School)
March 15, 2017	Board of Trustees Meeting, 4:00PM
March 17, 2017	Best Practices at The Founders Academy; Staff Development/Workshop (No School)
March 31, 2017	Last day of Third Quarter; Locker clean-outs
April 7, 2017	Third Quarter Report Cards emailed to parent/guardians on @tfanh.org email accounts.
April 14, 2017	Staff Development/Workshop (No School)
April 17, 2017	Gen. John Stark Day
April 19, 2017	Board of Trustees Meeting, 7:00AM
April 24 - 28, 2017	Spring Break (No School)
May 17, 2017	Board of Trustees Meeting, 4:00PM
May 26, 2016	School-wide Moment of Silence in honor of Memorial Day
May 29, 2017	Memorial Day (No School)
June 9, 2017	Last Day of School; locker clean-outs
June 9, 2017	End of the year Convocation
June 16, 2017	Fourth Quarter Report Cards emailed to parent/guardians on @tfanh.org email accounts.
June 21, 2017	Board of Trustees Meeting, TBA





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