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From the Dean of School





Happy Friday!

HAPPY INDEPENDENCE DAY 2016!

Please take just 10 minutes to listen to this dramatic reading of the Declaration of Independence with your student:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4uE-tqe0xsQ> .

It is a good reminder of why we celebrate July 4 each year!

Have a great week!

Sincerely,
Maureen Mooney
Dean of School



Student Schedules and Summer Reading/Assignments

Student schedules for the 2016-2017 academic year will be distributed in early July, 2016. At that time, you'll know which teachers and classes your students have been assigned.

Once you know the assigned teachers/classes, you'll know which summer assignments your student needs to complete. NOTE: Students need to complete the assignments for the classes they'll have this fall (not for the classes they've just completed). Thank you for your patience as scheduling is a tedious process!

Teachers have posted summer reading and assignments for students. Please review the following:

Mr. Van Ewyk (Incoming U.S. History):

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1BsPCK5E_guMk_r0vVCuQp5UU7DYWmc-Fff3QSdbmFt8/edit?ts=57601c02

Contact Mr. Van Ewyk with questions: g.vanewyk@tfanh.org.

Mr. Waterbury (Incoming Level 1 and Level 2 History):

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1CPzjlBrAtghhq52yjA7hEkijXFOpniMX3qQvONs2YLk/edit?ts=57586030>

Contact Mr. Waterbury with questions: d.waterbury@tfanh.org.

Ms. Mote (Incoming Level 3 or 3A English):

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1JxpBpSHI24ENX-ij38uhPSShwYys8VEdtwr2HYGzWzA/edit?ts=57603478>

Contact Ms. Mote with questions: k.mote@tfanh.org.

Ms. Mote (Incoming Level 4 or 4A English):

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1Emd5sITzx2Bp7eR_Mbh-qJrPiamOWC9qfzXaHF9x9VI/edit?ts=576034ac

Contact Ms. Mote with questions: k.mote@tfanh.org.

Dr. Yellin (Incoming Level 2A English):

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1BNY7YNo4rrYi2P-1D54JDI6g328NKaZLIPpvjvc1c7I/edit>

Contact Dr. Yellin with questions: m.yellin@tfanh.org.

Mrs. L. Blakeney (Incoming Level 2-2 and 2-3 English Classes):

https://docs.google.com/document/d/14FLQUYS2bdMYRuqKWG5_8lyTSe-uzEVoTma4O9hj8vk/edit?ts=5775420a

Contact Mrs. L. Blakeney l.blakeney@tfanh.org with questions.

Ms. Small AND Mrs. L. Blakeney (Incoming Sixth Graders):

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1EpREpCIR4tBYIFzW63Vm49IDDgvcC6N2mAYAq9Y3FbU/edit?ts=57754405>

NOTE: This assignment for Ms. Small replaces her previously published assignment.

Contact Ms. Small r.small@tfanh.org OR Mrs. L. Blakeney l.blakeney@tfanh.org with questions.

Update: Craft & Vendor Fair on October 22, 2016

CRAFT & VENDOR FAIR UPDATE:

Our 1st ever Founders Academy Craft & Vendor Fair planning is in full swing! We are constantly adding new crafters and vendors every day and our tables are filling up fast with tons of amazing and unique craft creations and vendors!

Have you checked out our new Facebook page yet? This page will give everyone a sneak peek at all the crafters and vendors who will be attending our event. The link for this is

https://www.facebook.com/The-Founders-Academy-Craft-Vendor-Fair-809037905863093/?ref=aymt_homepage_panel. Please like this page and share it with everyone you know to help make this event a huge success!!

If you have any questions or would like to reserve a table, email Robin Gage at robin.gage@tfanh.org or Kylene Normandin at kylene.normandin@tfanh.org.

Welcoming New Faculty - Mr. Gaumont

Welcome to Founders, Mr. Gaumont! He will teach History levels 2 and 3 in the Humanities Department.

“Michael Gaumont is a passionate educator with a genuine dedication to working with young people. Born and raised in Manchester, Mr. Gaumont has a degree in Political Science from The University of New Hampshire as well as Master’s Degrees in Public Administration and Secondary Education from Northeastern University and Southern New Hampshire University respectively. Mr. Gaumont brings a breadth of real world knowledge as to the workings of American Government, having spent time as an intern at both the local government and congressional level. Using this real world experience, Mr. Gaumont brings history to life in the classroom by creating an interactive and energetic experience. In his spare time, Michael enjoys playing hockey, working out and collecting classic video games.”



Mr. Gaumont’s page on our website can be found [here](#).

Welcoming New Faculty - Mr. Tellier

Welcome to Founders, Mr. Tellier! He will be a part-time band teacher in the Music/Visual Arts Department!

“Kevin Tellier retired from the North Middlesex Regional School District in June 2015 after thirty-five years of distinguished Performing Arts teaching in grades four - twelve. Mr. Tellier received proclamations from both the Massachusetts Senate and House of Representatives recognizing his ‘outstanding’ and ‘exceptional’ career as a music educator. Kevin has also taught at the Austin Preparatory School, served as an educational consultant for a NH school system and continues to offer professional development workshops for educators interested in Music Learning Theory.



Mr. Tellier’s concert and jazz ensembles have presented over 650 school, community and festival performances. As a community service, his former middle school marching band performed in every Memorial Day Parade since May of 1980. Mr. Tellier’s students have always been selected for the annual Central Massachusetts District Music Festival, with several as first-chair, principal players. Kevin’s concert and jazz bands have consistently received exemplary awards including earning featured performances at Symphony Hall and Mechanics Hall. His jazz ensembles have received multiple gold medals, and have on several occasions, earned the coveted ‘Outstanding Jazz Ensemble’ award at the University of New Hampshire Clark Terry Festival.

Mr. Tellier is an active member of the National Music Educators Association, Massachusetts Music Educators Association, New Hampshire Music Educators Association and the National Band Association. He holds Music Education teaching licenses from both New Hampshire and Massachusetts. Mr. Tellier is listed in Who’s Who Among America’s Best Educators, has been selected and honored by former students as the teacher who has inspired them the most, and was nominated for Massachusetts’s Teacher of the Year. Mr. Tellier is a multi-instrumentalist and continues to perform as a freelance percussionist. Kevin has completed extensive graduate work focusing on Music Learning Theory and Instrumental Music pedagogy with Edwin E. Gordon (Temple University), and well as Richard Grunow and Christopher Azzara from the Eastman School of Music.

Mr. Tellier resides in Merrimack, NH with his wife Cindy. He enjoys reading, competitive ping-pong, traveling, and spending time with his three amazing grandsons.”

Mr. Tellier’s web site is coming soon!

Important Dates

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

July 11-29, 2016	Summer Camps
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 9, 2016	School-wide Moment of Silence for September 11, 2001
September 15, 2016	Picture Day
September 16, 2016	Constitution Day
September 21, 2016	Board of Trustees Meeting, 7:00AM
September 30, 2016	Health Fair (Rivier University)
October 10, 2016	Columbus Day (No School); Parent-Teacher Conference
October 13, 2016	Re-Take Picture Day
October 19, 2016	Board of Trustees Meeting, 4:00PM
October 22, 2016	1st Annual Founders Craft Fair/Vendor Fair (contact robin.gage@tfanh.org for more information).
November 4, 2016	Last day of First Quarter; Locker clean-outs.
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 24-25, 2016	Thanksgiving Recess (No School)
December 7, 2016	School-wide Moment of Silence for Pearl Harbor Day
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 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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