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From the Dean of School



Happy Friday!

I hope you have already had a great first week of summer!

At Founders, the teachers are busy closing out the school year. New faculty and staff are coming in periodically for meetings to prepare for next year already.

Report cards are scheduled to be emailed today (6/16/17). There is a Board meeting on Wednesday, June 21 at 4pm in the library.

If your student is doing something interesting this summer, please forward an entry for the Parent Newsletter. Founders is proud of its students in and out of school!

Thank you for your support.

Sincerely,
Maureen Mooney
Dean of School

School News

Volunteer of the Month: Diane Bell

Mrs. Diane Bell was our volunteer of the month for May! Here is her write-up now:

“Diane Bell is the volunteer of the month for May. She has worked many hours in the school store. Her favorite part of working in the school store is getting to know Founders students as well as doing good in the TFA community. She volunteers because she likes to support the school, which is a very important part of her daughters' lives. Thank you Diane, for the time and effort you put into The Founders Academy!”

-Jessica B.



Emily A. Named “Student Leader of the Year”

Congratulations to Emily A. who received the “Student Leader of the Year Award” from Dean Mooney at the End of Year Convocation Assembly. Here is what was said about Emily:

“Before my closing remarks of the school year, I want to introduce you to a new annual award called the 'Student Leader of the Year Award.' Each year the Dean of School will choose a student who exercises leadership qualities including positivity, reliability, taking on lots of responsibility, and using excellent judgment. In essence, this person 'steps up' to assist where needed. This year's award recipient was:

1. Stage manager for 'Little Women,' who assisted with the details of moving the set to various locations during the competition.
2. Secretary of the High School Senate
3. Chief promoter and organizer of the Spring Fling
4. Photographer for the yearbook
5. Organizer of the Senate breakfast

The first annual Student Leader of the Year Award goes to . . . Emily A.”



Students of the Fourth Quarter

It is our great pleasure to announce the Students of the Fourth quarter for the 2016-2017 school year:

Middle School - Aravind S.

High School - Andrew A.

Here are some things that were said about Aravind's nomination:

"Aravind is an amazing person. He is a kind friend who would do anything to help his classmates. He is nice and fun and would be a great president. He once helped a student who dropped books in the hallway, gave a student who forgot lunch some of his lunch, and let another student borrow his computer in math class. He can rise to any challenge, works well in groups, and always follows the code of conduct. He cares about everybody and puts smiles on a lot of people's faces."

Here are some things that were said about Andrew's nomination:

"Andrew is one of the most polite and thoughtful boys I've known at Founders. He is aware of those

around him and is compassionate, respectful, and kind. He has been an exemplary citizen in Round Table this year, and he shows good character in all he does.”

“Andrew is a role model for others. He is respectful both in the classroom and outside of it. Andrew is a caring, kind-hearted person. He is also a talented writer and a big fan of the New York Giants.”



Teacher of the Month: Mr. Van Ewyk

“Mr Van Ewyk was born and grew up in Cobb County, Georgia. During his time as a high school student his favorite subject was actually science and he wanted to become a science teacher, but changed his mind as he got to the higher levels because of the math. He attended Georgia State where he received his Masters in Social Studies Education. He has been teaching for over ten years, and his favorite thing about The Founders Academy is its appreciation of American Tradition. His hobbies include tennis, volleyball, bowling, playing with his dog, and selling books. He used to be a stand up comedian, and was even an actor in a movie, a job for which he was paid \$78 whole dollars. His main goal in life is something that he encourages us all to do, and that is to pursue happiness. So give it up for Mr. Van Ewyk, the last Teacher of the Month for the 2016-2017 Founders Academy School Year.” - Aly A.



Thank you, Ms. Williams

We want to thank Ms. Williams for her two years of service at Founders. We also wish her best of everything in her future as she will not be returning next year.

Outdoor Campus Clean-Up Day

Parent volunteers are planning an outdoor clean-up day of the campus grounds. The tentative date for the clean-up is **Saturday, July 8**. More details to come.

Summer Assignments 2017

Summer assignments 2017 are now uploading on the web site. Please review at this page:
<http://thefoundersacademy.org/cms/One.aspx?portalId=1207671&pageId=25499830>

Outreach Happenings and Outcomes

DonorsChoose for Math Department!

Check out Ms. Nichols' DonorsChoose for her math students:
[Bringing Math Into The 21st Century](#)

“My students need Chromebook devices in order to decrease the digital divide of those that can bring their own and those that don't have access to mobile computers to use in the classroom.”

Thank you for your help!

GoFundMe Chromebook Fundraiser

Ms. Marcotte, head of the Technology Department, has set up a GoFundMe page so that we can raise money to get each teacher at Founders a Chromebook. To quote the page: “By acquiring Chromebooks, teachers will be able to engage in collaborative projects with students and access digital content in all academic areas. At the present point, our staff are not provided with devices to conduct their classes. With our students mostly working on Chromebooks, those staff that bring personal devices from home aren't all modeling on Chromebook device. As a result, this can create confusion in the learning process where students are working with a device that has different capabilities or the interface doesn't look the same from that of the instructor.”

Click the link below to help us reach our goal! Thank you!

<https://www.gofundme.com/FoundersAcademyTechnology>

DonorsChoose for Technology

Hi Friends,

I want to make sure my students have the materials they need to succeed, so I just created a DonorsChoose.org classroom project request. Click the link below to see what my students and I are up to:

[There's an App for That and a Student Made It](#)

Early contributions are critical, and any amount helps. Thank you so much for taking a look and considering a donation. I am so excited to bring this project to life!

With gratitude,
Ms. Marcotte

P.S. If you know anyone who may want to show their support for public schools, please pass this along.

DonorsChoose for Science

From Ms. Griffin:

"My students need electronic balances and weighing paper to accurately measure supplies and solid chemicals within the laboratory."

[It's a Balancing Act](#)

Thank you!

Other News

"Most Needed" Items at Founders

Founders heavily relies on contributions and donations. As of now, the most needed items include:

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| - Scotch Tape | - Paper towels |
| - Band-aids of all sizes | - lunches and snacks for the food pantry* |
| - White-out | - tissues* |
| - Disinfectant Wipes | - disinfectant wipes |
| - medical tape | - plastic spoons/forks |
| - Copy Paper* | - disinfectant/cleaning solution |

Please continue to monitor this web page of items too!:

<http://thefoundersacademy.org/cms/One.aspx?portalId=1207671&pageId=13492624>

Items can be dropped off at the school or call in advance at 603.952.4705.

Thank you very much!

School Calendar

Regularly check the school calendar online link: <http://www.thefoundersacademy.org/calendar>

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



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