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### From the Dean of School



Happy Friday!

6th Grade Orientation is today. I want to especially thank Mrs. Barlow and members of the subcommittee and High School Student Volunteers for organizing a great day for incoming 6th graders! Everyone looks so happy!

The first bell of the new school year rings at 8:00AM on Tuesday, September 6, 2016. Drop off begins as early as 7:30AM. This newsletter is full of important information to know for the first day of school.

For NEW INCOMING FAMILIES: You should have received an email on Monday, August 29th sent to your Founders Academy email with directions on how to activate the parent portal. There was a 48 hour window for you to activate this portal account. Please review the instructional video linked [here](#). If you feel you need additional training beyond the video we are running 30 minute training sessions on **September 8th during Back to School Night from 5:30-7:30pm**. To sign up for a 30 minute portal training on September 8th, click [here](#).

See you soon! Happy Labor Day!

Sincerely,  
Maureen Mooney  
Dean of School

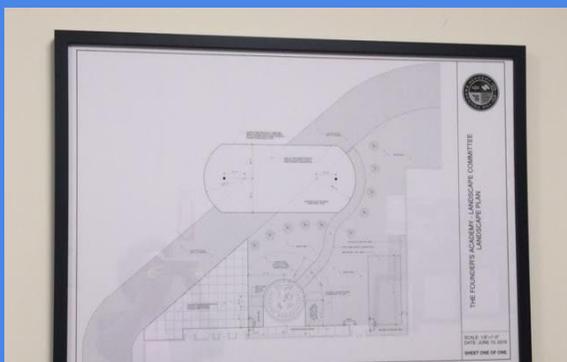
## School Calendar

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.

## Student Landscape Committee Design

For a limited time, the sketch that the Student Landscape Committee worked on to design the back of the building is on display in the front foyer. Stop by and take a look!



## Drop Off and Pick Up

If students take a **bus**, they'll be dropped off in the Upper Cafeteria. At the end of the day, they'll leave through the Upper Cafeteria.

If students are dropped off by a **car**, please drive around the back of the building so students can enter the Lower Cafeteria. At the end of the day, students will leave through the Lower Cafeteria for pick up while cars are lined up in the back of the building in three lanes.

## Students Cleaning-Up After Themselves

The Founders Academy students adopted their own school wide [Leadership Code of Conduct](#). First on the list is to "Be responsible."

Cleaning up after oneself after eating is a large part of being responsible. Please, please, please emphasize to your student(s) before school starts the importance of throwing away one's trash, not leaving wrappers behind, and picking up obvious trash to keep the school looking nice. Advisers will also emphasize this point in Round Tables as well.

Thank you!

## Bring Your Own Device

All students are strongly encouraged to bring either a laptop or tablet to school. These devices will be used in various classes and allow the student to review the portal for homework assignments and access to Google Classroom. The tablet or laptop can be a very basic, entry level device. Student WIFI is available and a password will be keyed in for the student the first week of school. Cell phones do not count as a personal device for classroom purposes or as a calculator (unless express permission is given by a teacher to high school level students). WIFI will be enabled on one device per student. Please refer to the [Parent/Student Handbook](#) for the [BYOD \(Bring Your Own Device\) Policy](#) and additional information.

## Refrain from Texting and/or Calling Student Cell Phones During School Hours

### **"2.4 Personal Cell Phones, iPods, MP3's, Cameras, etc.**

Students are allowed to carry personal cell phones; however, these devices may only be used before or after school hours unless authorized by a teacher." [Student Handbook, section 2.4.](#)

***Please - Do not text or call your student's cell phone during school hours!***

## "Most Needed" Items at Founders

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

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Copier paper</li><li>- Scotch Tape</li><li>- Gallon jugs of Expo Whiteboard cleaner</li><li>- Wall/classroom clocks</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Paper towels</li><li>- Food/snacks for the food pantry</li><li>- Tissues</li><li>- Plastic forks and spoons</li></ul> |
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Items can be dropped off at the school or call in advance at 603.952.4705. Thank you very much!

## Opening Ceremonies on Second Day of School (Wednesday, September 7)

Opening Ceremonies for the new school year at Founders will take place **Wednesday, September 7th**. The Middle School Opening Ceremony will be in the front of the building at approximately 8:10AM. There will be no parking in the front of the building that morning. The High School Opening Ceremony will be held at 8:00AM indoors in the Upper Cafeteria.

**Reminder: The first day of school is Tuesday, September 6 with drop off between 7:30-7:59AM, and the first class starting at 8:00AM.**

## Student Dress Code for 2016-2017

Please familiarize yourself with the Student Dress Code for 2016-2017 found on the web site here:

[http://www.thefoundersacademy.org/students/dress\\_code](http://www.thefoundersacademy.org/students/dress_code)

## Labeling Clothing and School Supplies

Please make sure your student's jackets, coats, hats, gloves, sweaters, etc. and school supplies are clearly labeled. Founders' Lost and Found got rather heavy at times this past school year and that can be prevented!

## Europe Trip 2017 Meeting - September 8, 2016

On Sept. 8, 2016, directly after our back-to-school night, we will be having a meeting for interested students and families about our upcoming European adventure in April 2017. We will be visiting four beautiful countries - Holland, Belgium, France, and England, and we would love to have you join us!

Questions, please contact [k.barlow@tfanh.org](mailto:k.barlow@tfanh.org)

## School Picture Day - September 15, 2016

Please mark your calendar for School Picture Day on **Thursday, September 15, 2016**. Thank you!

## Heart and Sole: Girls' Running Program (SCHEDULE CHANGE-MOVED TO SPRING)

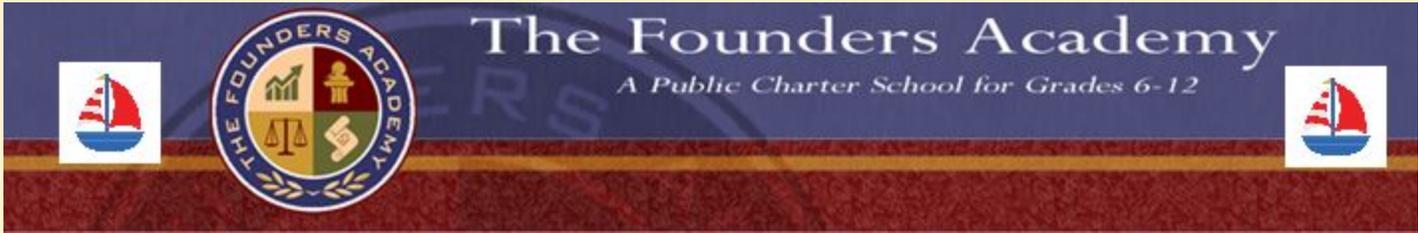
Heart & Sole® is a 10-week afterschool program designed to meet the unique needs of middle school girls. Rich with themes that girls can relate to, the curriculum addresses the whole girl – body, brain, heart, spirit and social connection – and builds important life skills. Physical activity is a core element of this Girls on the Run program. The season culminates with a 5K Celebration event on November 20th in Concord, NH.

**This program has been moved to the Spring. More details will be forthcoming.**

Check out the flyer attached to this email, and to register or for more information, please visit the website: [www.girlsontherunnh.org](http://www.girlsontherunnh.org). For more information, contact [renee.williams@tfanh.org](mailto:renee.williams@tfanh.org).

## Previous Parent Newsletters

Missed previously emailed Parent Newsletters? There is now a sub-folder in the Faculty Information Google Docs Folder that contains all previous Parent Newsletters. They may be viewed [here](#).



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