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From the Dean of School



Happy Friday!

I trust you had a good week celebrating our nation's independence!

This month, we are pleased to welcome two new staff members to Founders: Deb Castonguay the Assistant Director of Guidance (introduced in the June 23 newsletter) and Cassie Hayes the Director of Faculty (introduced in this newsletter). Welcome, Mrs. Castonguay and Mrs. Hayes!

As my door is open throughout the summer, please feel free to schedule a meeting or forward a question. At Founders, we treasure our parents. We're proud of our students too, so please forward the exciting things your student is doing this summer.

A Faculty Quick Reference Guide has been established on the school's web site [here](#). It will be updated for the 2017-2018 school year soon.

Thank you for your support.

Sincerely,
Maureen Mooney
Dean of School

School News

Introduction: Cassie Hayes - Director of Faculty

Founders welcomes Cassie Hayes as the new Director of Faculty! Mrs. Hayes will work with Department Chairmen and Vice Chairmen, faculty, and Mr. Kline the Assistant Director of Curriculum on departmental, pedagogical and curricular matters. Welcome, Mrs. Hayes!



Cassie Hayes has 7 years experience as a math teacher in both the Manchester and Nashua school districts. She earned a bachelor's degree from the University of Rhode Island and a master's degree from SNHU. Mrs. Hayes brings experience from both middle and high school math classrooms. She has worked with both students and teachers in multiple capacities throughout her career. Mrs. Hayes is excited to help each and every student by supporting all of the teachers and staff at Founders.

A Message from the School Counselor: Mrs. Castonguay

As the summer season begins and the warmth of the sun has calmed our minds and bodies, we begin to think about what adventures await us. The destinations are endless, however as you plan your travels, keep in mind that there are so many benefits to traveling and exploring; physically, academically and emotionally.

Our wonderful state has so many opportunities to travel, from our mountains and lakes to the seacoast. Like the ocean? Then visit Rye and learn about tide pools at the Seacoast Science Center, <http://www.seacoastsciencecenter.org/>. Enjoy poetry? Then stop by the Robert Frost Farm in Derry, NH and learn about "one of the nation's most acclaimed poets," <http://www.robertfrostfarm.org/index.html>. Is hiking or walking your thing? Try surrounding yourself in a glacial gorge at the Flume Gorge in Franconia Notch, <http://www.nhstateparks.org/visit/state-parks/flume-gorge.aspx>.

While traveling and adventuring, absorb your surrounding, learn about history, appreciate the geography and architecture, all while refreshing your mind and body. And remember to journal your experiences to share with others when you return to school.

~Debra Castonguay, Assistant Director of Guidance



Campus Clean-Up Day - THIS Saturday, July 8

All families and friends of The Founders Academy are invited to come help clean-up our school campus before the weeds take over!

Please bring your yard tools: work gloves; cordless weed-whackers/leaf blowers; wheelbarrows; pruners; rakes, etc.

Date: **Saturday, July 8th from 10 am - no later than 2 pm**

We will start at the top of the hill as we come down to the school and work our way around the building. At this time, we are leaving the back field for the professionals. We will be weeding everywhere and cleaning up the mulched areas around the building as well as clearing the culverts.

Thank you for all you do!

Barnes and Noble Books

Thank you for supporting the Barnes and Noble Book Fair. The Founders Academy is very appreciative and thankful for our magnanimous and benevolent supporters. Pictured are new books added to our library. A special thank you to Mrs. Hyotte for coordinating this fundraiser!



Student Spotlight: David B.



One of our students, David B., will star in the Teen Actorsingers production of JESUS CHRIST SUPERSTAR!



Nashua New Hampshire: Actorsingers of Nashua will present their summer teen production of *Jesus Christ Superstar*, July 14-16, 2017. *Jesus Christ Superstar* is a 1970 rock opera with music by Andrew Lloyd Webber and lyrics by Tim Rice. The musical started as a rock opera concept album before its Broadway debut in 1971. The musical is sung-through, with no spoken dialogue. The story is loosely based on Gospel accounts. The performances will be performed at the Janice B. Streeter Theatre, 14 Court St, Nashua, NH, on Friday, July 14 at 8 PM, Saturday, July 15 at 2 PM and 8 PM, and on Sunday, July 16 at 2 PM. Tickets are \$17 for adults and \$15 for students/seniors. Tickets can be purchased on-line at www.actorsingers.org or by phone at (603) 320-1870. You can also see the Facebook event here: <http://bit.ly/2sMURB4>

Change in Transportation Policy

If your child rides the bus, please see the memo below detailing a change in the Manchester School District's policy:



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Date: June 29, 2017
To: Approved Private and Charter Schools
From: Chris Martin *CDM*
Re: Change in Transportation Policy

The purpose of this memo is to inform you of a change in the Manchester School District's policy governing transportation. Item four under the General Operating Policy now reads as follows:

4. With the exception of students taking out-of-district transportation, all bus-riding students shall arrive at their destination no later than 60 minutes after departure.

Previous to this revision, the policy ensured arrival no later than 45 minutes after departure. Though the revision allows more flexibility in route pairings, we do not anticipate many 60 minute rides. Every effort will be made to keep ride time as short as possible.

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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