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From the Dean of School



Happy Summer!

The Registrar is working particularly hard to create and review schedules. Schedules are expected to be emailed on Monday (8/27) or Tuesday (8/28) next week. Thank you for your patience.

The first day of school is September 4, 2018. The school day runs (like last year) from 7:45am to 3:10pm. Morning drop off begins at 7:20am

I hope that you continue to have a great summer.

With gratitude,
Maureen Mooney
Dean of School

From the Board of Trustees

The Board of Trustees would like to welcome all of our new families to Founders! We look forward to seeing many of you at New Parent Night! We have had the opportunity to meet with many returning families and look forward to watching our first graduating class in June! Our next meeting is September 19th at 5:30PM.

If you have any questions for the board please email clerk@tfanh.org.

Curriculum Update

Dear Parents,

It is hard to believe that school is starting in less than two weeks. During this time, it would be beneficial to ensure that your students have completed their summer assignments, and are prepared to begin the new year with us. Those assignments are due during the first few days as students return. Please also check over the supplies lists that are posted on the school website under this [link](#) and [here](#). If you have any questions, please let me know.

Sincerely,
Mr. Chris Kline
Humanities Department Chair/Assistant Director of Curriculum
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School News

PTSA Operation Drop-Off - TODAY (8/24) AND TOMORROW (8/25)

From the TFA PTSA,

Greetings to all of the Founders Academy returning and new families. On **Friday August 24th from 5:00 – 8:00pm and Saturday August 25th from 9:00 – 12:00am** we are inviting you all to help us launch “Operation Drop Off”. As many of you know our school is always in need of many supplies as we receive only about a third of the funding that other schools do. So this year we are asking all of you to be as generous as you can to help kick off the 2018 – 2019 school year with as many supplies for the school that we can. There is a link below that has the list of most needed items. Our goal is to try and collect as many items as we can on these two days so that we can try to have the school all stocked up for the first half of the school year. So if you are able to, please consider helping out and coming by the School at the dates and times listed above, and the PTSA will be there to help unload your items and get them into the school. I know that copy paper is a big item that the school is always out of, and the other items on the list are important as well. So we are again asking you to be as generous as you can and start getting some items now so that you can participate in “Operation Drop Off” and help to insure that all of our students and teachers have the necessary supplies that they need. It will also be a great time for you to meet some members of the TFA PTSA and learn what we are all about. Have a great summer.

-The Founders Academy Parent Teacher Student Association

[Operation Drop-Off Needed Items](#)

Message from Ms. Stewart RE: Bell Schedule for First Day of School - September 4

A Message from Ms. Stewart, Director of Student Affairs:

Dear Students,

Welcome to the 2018-2019 School Year at The Founders Academy! I hope you all have made some amazing memories this summer. I know I have. I was able to travel to Sanibel Island in Florida and Bar Harbor in Maine. I went on a whale watch and saw humpback whales, sharks, dolphins, porpoises, and seals.

I want to introduce myself to all of you at Founders. My name is [Paula Stewart](#). I joined the Founders community this summer as the Director of Student Affairs. I will be handling all discipline issues as well as working with the Student Services department to make sure all students have their needs met in order to be

successful at school. My office is directly across from the library. I look forward to meeting each and every one of you.

A little bit about myself, so that you know me a little better: I have three adult children and a stepdaughter who is in high school. I have three adorable grandsons who I love to spend time with. I have a dog named Scout. She is named after a character in my favorite novel, To Kill A Mockingbird. I love to spend time outside, either walking, hiking, or biking. The beach is my absolute favorite place in the world. My favorite superhero is Wonder Woman. I would love to learn what you are passionate about.

I want to let you know about the first week of school. Tuesday (September 4, 2018), the first day of school will have a different schedule than you may be used to. (See the schedule below). The day will begin with Round Table, but it will be longer than usual so that you can get your locker assignments and take care of other first day details. The rest of the day will follow a modified Friday schedule, so you will have an opportunity to meet with every teacher and get all of your course information. Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday of our first week of school will follow the normal daily schedules. You will see half of your teachers on Wednesday and half on Thursday. You will see all of your teachers for your normal Friday schedule.

We understand that you may be getting anxious to see your schedules and find out who your teachers will be for the upcoming school year. We are working hard to get them to you as soon as possible. Know that we do not expect you to have all of your school supplies on the first day of school. On the first day, your teachers will go over each syllabus and discuss what you need to be successful in their classes. We will expect you to have everything you need to be a Founders student by Monday, September 10. For middle schoolers this will include a book to read.

Please feel free to reach out to me at paula.stewart@tfanh.org or to your teachers with questions or concerns. I look forward to meeting you all when school starts!

Sincerely,
Ms. Stewart

SCHEDULE FOR THE FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL (SEPTEMBER 4, 2018):

- A - 7:45 - 8:55 (70)
- B - 8:55 - 9:35 (40)
- C - 9:35 - 10:15 (40)
- D - 10:15 - 10:55 (40)
- E - 10:55 - 11:35 (40) - 1st Lunch (all 40 minutes)
- F - 11:35 - 12:15 (40) - 2nd Lunch (all 40 minutes)
- G - 12:15 - 12:55 (40) - 3rd Lunch (all 40 minutes)
- H - 12:55 - 1:35 (40)
- I - 1:35 - 2:15 (40)

J - 2:15 - 3:10 (55)

-END-

Student Handbook 2018-2019

At the August Board meeting, the Trustees adopted the Student Handbook 2018-2019. The following are among changes in the new Student Handbook:

- Sweatpants and gym shorts are **now** allowed. See section 3.7.
- Highly caffeinated drinks are **not** allowed. See section 4.2.

Here is the newly adopted Student Handbook 2018-2019 at this [link](#).

6th Grade Orientation 2018, By Ms. Efraimson

Hello all incoming 6th grade families! We are so excited to meet you Wednesday, August 29th during our 6th grade orientation from 8:30-11:30. Please plan on arriving between 8:15-8:30. We will be doing a simulation of an actual school day drop off, so please be aware of the teachers and signs outside. Below I have included the agenda for our orientation!

8:15-8:30 - Parent Drop Off in front

8:30-9:00 - Welcome by Miss. Efraimson, Dean Mooney, and Ms Stewart.

9:00-10:30- Students in Round Table Discussion

- I.
 1. What is Round Table - Founders Mission Statement
 2. Code of Conduct
 3. Dress Code
 4. School Supplies
 - Lockers
 5. Bell Schedule
 - 5 mins in between bell
 6. Schedule of classes
 7. Assignment books
 8. Code of Discipline
- II. Tour of the school
- III. Q&A with Founders Students

10:30-11:15- School wide scavenger hunt

11:15-11:30- Get ready for dismissal

11:30- Dismissal - Will be a simulation of actual car pick up dismissal.

We look forward to meeting each and every one of you! Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions.

Thank you,
Jackie Efraimson
World Language Dept. Chair
J.efraimson@tfanh.org

New Incoming 7th-12th Grade Orientation 2018, By Ms. Efraimson

Hello all incoming 7th- 12th grade families and students! We are so excited to meet you Wednesday, August 29th during our 6th grade orientation from 12:00 - 3:00. Please plan on arriving between 11:45-12:00. If you are a student driving your own car please park in the front on the left hand side of the building all the way down towards the sign that says Evacuation area no. 1. All students who are being dropped off please come in through the front doors. Please see the agenda for orientation below.

11:45-12:00 Parent Drop Off in front

12:00- 12:30 Welcome by Miss. Efraimson, Dean Mooney, and Ms Stewart.

12:30- 2:00 Students in Round Table Discussion

I. Discussion

1. What is Round Table - Founders Mission Statement
2. Code of Conduct
3. Dress Code
4. School Supplies
 - Lockers
5. Bell Schedule
 - 5 mins in between bell
6. Schedule of classes
7. Assignment books
8. Code of Discipline

II. Tour of the school

III. Q&A with Founders Students

2:00- 2:45 School wide scavenger hunt

2:45-3:00 Get ready for dismissal

3:00 - Dismissal

We look forward to meeting each and every one of you! Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions.

Thank you,
Jackie Efraimson

World Language Dept. Chair
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High School News

"Back to School Paint Night" for High School Students and Families

Deadline to sign up is approaching on August 24!


Hello everyone!

I hope you are all having a fantastic summer. On **August 31st at 6pm** at Founders, we will be hosting a back to school paint night for all high schoolers and their families, as well as Founders staff. We would like this to be a fun activity to welcome new and returning Founders students and their families back to school.

The paint night will be hosted by J.J. ArtWorks Paint Party Professionals and we will be working with Silvia Patita, one of his accredited artists. Please see this link to buy tickets (<http://bit.ly/2LnmRFD>) or the attached pdf to see the information outlined. We need to have an accurate number by August 24th so please purchase tickets by then.


If there are any problems or questions feel free to contact me at allison.ouellette@tfanh.org and I'll get back to you as soon as possible.

We hope to see you there!



JJARTWORKS
PAINT PARTY PROFESSIONALS

The Founders Academy Paint Party




Join Us!
Friday, August 31st
From 6:00-8:00pm

Founders Academy
5 Perimeter Road
Manchester, NH 03103

(We will be painting "Summer Nights")

Register your spot!
Purchase your ticket from the link: <http://bit.ly/2LnmRFD>

No painting experience necessary.
All supplies included!



www.jjartworks.com

C3 School Photography SENIOR Portraits

C3 School Photography, who does our student pictures, is offering a half off session fee (normally \$40), now only \$20, for an indoor and outdoor Senior portrait session at their studio.

Call this number to set up an appointment: 603-212-9090.

See this [LINK](#) for their pricing list.

Middle School News

Middle School School Supplies

Please review the school supplies required for middle school students here:

http://www.thefoundersacademy.org/students/back_to_school_supplies

Other specific supplies (including those for high school students), will be reviewed by each teacher within their syllabi.

Thank you!

Middle School Reading Lists

Dear Parents/Guardians,

We are happy to announce the middle school reading list is here! Many of our incoming parents have requested the reading list for the 2018-2019 academic year. If you have any questions regarding the books please email admissions@tfanh.org.

English Book List 2018-2019

All books can be found on Amazon for purchasing.

Level One English (6th Grade)

- Tales of Ancient Egypt, Roger Lancelyn Green
- D'Aulaires' Book of Greek Myths, Ingri and Edgar Parin D'Aulaire
- Black Ships Before Troy, Rosemary Sutcliff
- Myths of the Norsemen, Roger Lancelyn Green

Level Two English (7th Grade)

- Sadlier- Oxford Vocabulary Workshop new edition, Level B, Jerome Shostak
- Vocabulary from Classical Roots - Book A, Nancy Flowers, and Norma Fifer
- Redwall, Jacques, Brian
- The Prince and the Pauper, Mark Twain. Digireads.com Publishing, 2017.
- The Merry Adventures of Robin Hood, Howard Pyle. Digireads.com Publishing.

Level Three English (8th Grade)

- Sadlier Oxford Vocabulary Workshop Level C, Jerome Chostak
- Vocabulary from Classical Roots - Book B by Norma Fifer
- The Dover Anthology of American Literature, Volume I: From the Origins Through the Civil War (Dover Thrift Editions) by Bob Blaisdell (Editor)
- Johnny Tremain, Esther Hoskins Forbes (Author)

Thank you for choosing Founders!

Regards,

Founders Admissions Committee
admissions@tfanh.org
603-952-4705

Volunteer Opportunities/Donations/Fundraising

Ms. Marcotte's Donors Choose: Adding STEAM to Education

Donations of any size will help my kids. Right now, any contribution you make to my project will be doubled by Craig Newmark Philanthropies. Your donation will brighten my students' school year, and you'll get heartfelt thank-yous from my class and photos of your gift in action. Our technology department needs some additional student devices to have enough for paired programming of physical computing & optional wearable technology we are adding into the curriculum this year.

Link: [Adding STEAM to Education](#)

FULLY FUNDED THANK YOU!! - Mrs. Perrella Donors Choose: Great Beginnings - Building An AP Lab From Scratch

We need equipment and supplies for our first-ever AP Biology lab! Dialysis tubing helps them perform AP Lab 4, in which students model diffusion of materials into and out of the cell. Guaiacol is a chemical we need for Lab 13: it helps students see for themselves the color changes that happen when a common enzyme, catalase, does its work in the cell.

The mitosis and meiosis cards, needed for Lab 7, can be reused year after year.

They are a good way to stretch ever-needed funds, and they help students exercise critical quantitative and qualitative lab skills on their way. We are so grateful to you for your help. Thank you!

[Building an AP Lab From Scratch](#)

High School Cafe Gofundme

"Michael Hubbard and David Gandia decided to remodel the high school eating area for their senior project. They have decided to get new tables, chairs, furniture, and repaint the walls because it is in need of change. The remodel would allow students not only to only eat there, but to have high

school events as well. Any donations would be appreciated to help them reach their goal.”

Click the link below to donate!

<https://www.gofundme.com/remodel-of-lower-cafeteria-tfa>

FULLY FUNDED THANK YOU!! - Ms. Mote’s Donors Choose: Getting Technical with Theatre!

This has been fully funded! Thank you to all our donors!

My students need tools and resources (headsets, monitors and theater books) to improve their technical theatre experience in lighting and backstage communication!

[Getting Technical with Theatre!](#)

FULLY FUNDED THANK YOU!! - Ms. Fortier's Donors Choose: There's a Smock for That!

Ms. Fortier is looking for aprons in the Art Department for students to "fearlessly and messily create!"

Donate here:

https://www.donorschoose.org/project/theres-a-smock-for-that/3416071/?utm_source=dc&utm_medium=sendFriend&utm_campaign=tpc_complete&utm_term=teacher_3912412&rf=sendFriend-dc-2018-07-tpc_complete-teacher_3912412&challengeid=20846896

Other

School Calendar

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

Grid format: <http://thefoundersacademy.org/calendar/2018%20-%2019%20School%20Calendar>

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

Founders on Social Media!

Be sure to follow Founders on **Facebook** here:



Founders' Facebook **Carpooling** Group: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/123952141583545/>

Founders' Facebook **Volunteering** Parents Group:
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1527282857342512/>

Be sure to follow Founders on **Twitter** here:



Check out Founders **Youtube** Channel here:



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