



The Founders Academy

A Public Charter School for Grades 6-12



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From the Dean of School



Happy Friday!

Congratulations to the fantastic singers and musicians who performed fantastically during the concerts this past week! Also, a special thank you to the faculty of the music department who taught them well.

The 3rd quarter closes on March 31. The concept of quarterly and yearly mastery and how it works have been reviewed with students, but it's good for parents to know what it all means. In section 3.1 of the [Student Handbook](#), a student who receives less than 80% in a quarter must contact his/her teacher via email to "initiate the request to do extra work to demonstrate mastery" within 1 week of report cards. The extra work assignment to determine mastery is at the teacher's discretion.

Thank you for all your support!

Sincerely,
Maureen Mooney
Dean of School

School News

Teacher of the Month: Kevin Tellier!

We are proud to announce Mr. Tellier as our teacher of the month for February 2017!



"Mr. Tellier teaches the level 1 band here at the Founders Academy. He is also the instructor of the jazz band. Mr. Tellier began studying music in 4th grade when he was nine years old. He started off learning percussion, and now can play a variety of instruments, 2 of his favorites are the French horn and euphonium. Mr. Tellier says that music can make a huge difference in developing successful, motivated, lifelong learners. It can teach different skills, knowledge, and provides experiences that you can't get in any other subject. His favorite part of teaching music is knowing that he plays a part in developing these skills and experiences. His teaching style is very fun, and all of his students really enjoy it. When he isn't playing or teaching music, Mr.

Tellier enjoys scuba diving and competitive table tennis."

-David B.

Founders on LinkedIn

The Founders Academy has a LinkedIn group page now. Please consider (if you're on LinkedIn) requesting to join the group as it is now being developed to include educators, parents, business people and others interested in the mission and curriculum at Founders! Then, spread the group around to your networks! Thank you!

A Fundraising Night at the Ninety Nine Restaurant

Join the Founders Community at the 99 Restaurant in Manchester on Thursday, March 30 for fundraiser night! Each receipt will be a donation to our school.

Be sure to present the official promotional flyer to the waitperson. It must be brought to the restaurant and attached to your guest check.

Details for "Dining For a Cause"

When: Thursday, March 30 (5pm - 8pm)

Where: [99 Restaurant - 1685 S. Willow Street, Manchester](#)

Be sure to bring the "Dining For a Cause" flyer with you! See the flyer attached and at this web page: <http://thefoundersacademy.org/cms/One.aspx?portalId=1207671&pageId=21925670>

Help Needed at the Ninety-Nine Restaurant Fundraiser!

We are in need of a couple of volunteers to help sell raffle tickets on Thursday 3/30 to any restaurant patrons at the 99 during the Founders dining for a cause night that will take place from 5 pm to 8 pm. We have a couple of baskets that were donated and all money raised will go directly to the school.

If you have a 1/2 hour to hour of time we need your help ! If you would like to volunteer please contact Brenda.lombardozzi@tfanh.org

Thank you!

A Possible Trip to Costa Rica

Dear Students and Parents/Guardians,

Interested in experiencing a different culture? Ziplining over the treetops, visiting a volcano, seeing monkeys swinging from branch to branch, or kayaking over clear water? Then a trip to Costa Rica is for you! Come to an information night **Tuesday, April 4th at 6:30** in the upper cafeteria with Miss. Efraimson and Mrs. Moore.

We are planning a school trip to Costa Rica for the April break in 2018. During the information session we will discuss a tentative schedule, approximate costs, and answer any questions you may have.

[Here's a sneak peak to Costa Rica 2018!](#)

Hope to see you Tuesday, April 4th at 6:30 pm to discuss the trip of a lifetime!

¡Nos vemos pronto!

Thank you!

Thank you to all who donated pies to make our "Pi day" celebration wonderful. The students really appreciated the pie. Sophia M. recited 94 digits of Pi and won the contest. Charlie Q. named 7 facts about Pi and won that contest.

Congratulations to the winners!

-Ms. Nichols

Running Club Update

The running club is growing. We have 8 participants that have braved the cold to begin training for the Stoneyfield 5k we will be running on May 13. All are welcome to join our weekly runs on Thursdays after school until 4:30. You do not have to run the race to join the club. Please contact v.nichols@tfanh.org with questions.

Lost and Found

At Founders, we make every effort to return lost items that are marked with student names.

Please know that unnamed items that remain in Lost and Found are either thrown away or donated to charity on a bi-weekly basis. The school cannot accommodate storing lost clothing or spoiled food in lunch boxes for numerous reasons. Encourage your students to do the "look back" to ensure that none of their

belongings are left behind in classrooms and cafeterias.

Thank you for understanding.

Events

Movie Night - Tonight!

On Friday, March 24th, Founders will be hosting a movie night!

We will be showing **Fantastic Beasts and Where to Find Them**.

The movie will start at 6:00 PM, and the cost to attend is \$5.00.

We hope to see you there!



Spring Fling - May 6

The Round Tables are busy planning a "Spring Fling" for **Saturday, May 6, 2017!** Please consider volunteering for this occasion! If you are able to help volunteer, please contact Mrs. Humphrey at: patty.humphrey@tfanh.org. Please mark your calendars early! Thank you!



Outreach Happenings and Outcomes

Dining for a Cause

DINING FOR A CAUSE

The Ninety Nine Restaurants
Invites You to a
Fundraiser to Benefit:

The Founders Academy

Date: Thursday, March 30th
Time: 5:00pm - 8:00pm
Location: Ninety Nine Restaurants
1685 S. Willow St
Manchester, NH

Present the voucher below at this fundraiser and the Ninety Nine Restaurants will donate 15%* of your Guest check to the organization.

clip this voucher

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RESTAURANT & PUB

Coupons, discounts and promotions including "Kids Eat Free" will not be accepted during the fundraiser. Present this voucher to your server when seated as this is required for the organization to receive credit for the sale. *Donation is 15% of sales (excludes tax and gratuity). Only valid on date, time and location stated above.

Volunteers Needed for Restaurant Fundraising Night

The Outreach Committee seeks volunteers to help distribute flyers for the restaurant fundraiser on any morning or afternoon the week of 3/27, either early drop off or during Pick up at 2:30(lobby of school) and car line.

2 to 3 volunteers are also needed to help sell raffle tickets at the 99 Restaurant for Founders Gift Baskets. These can be sold to all patrons of the restaurant. Between the hours of 5 pm to 8 pm.

If interested in helping out, please contact Brenda Lombardozzi at brenda.lombardozzi@tfanh.org.

New Donors Choose Project; Computers Needed for 6th Grade English!

Dear Parents,

Writing is thinking, and developing critical, independent thinkers is my most important responsibility as an educator. It takes practice to build competent and confident writers. Some students are able to bring in Chromebook's or laptops from home, but a classroom set of computers would allow all my students to benefit from digital tools that make writing more efficient and their projects more authentic.

I have registered our classroom on DonorsChoose.org, an amazing website where individuals can contribute to public schools. This is the first time in my two years teaching at The Founders Academy that I have asked for a project to be funded, because this is the first time I can't buy what my students need to succeed. You've seen the tables I built, my huge classroom library and bookshelves, so you know I'm committed to providing the tools students need. This time, I need help to give them what they need.

Click here to see my project: [Closing The Digital Divide](#)

Give to my classroom by **March 20, 2017** and your donation will be doubled thanks to DonorsChoose.org. Just enter the code **LIFTOFF** during checkout and you'll be matched dollar for dollar (up to \$50).

In return, you'll get awesome photos of your gift in action and our heartfelt thanks. There will also be some well written and grammatically correct thank you notes in your future!

Thank you so much,
Robin

P.S. If you know anyone who may want to help my students, please pass this along!

Donors Choose: the Science Department Needs Microscopes!

From Ms. Griffin: "I'm excited to announce that Donors Choose has approved the new project submission for our science department here at Founders. We're looking to acquire stereomicroscopes to afford more opportunities in curriculum, especially potential elective courses."

[Ready, Set, Zoom! - Science Department Donors Choose Project](#)

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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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Scotch Tape- Band-aids of all sizes- White-out- Disinfectant Wipes- feminine products*- medical tape | <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Paper towels- lunches and snacks for the food pantry- tissues*- disinfectant wipes*- plastic spoons/forks* |
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Please continue to monitor this web page of items too!:

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

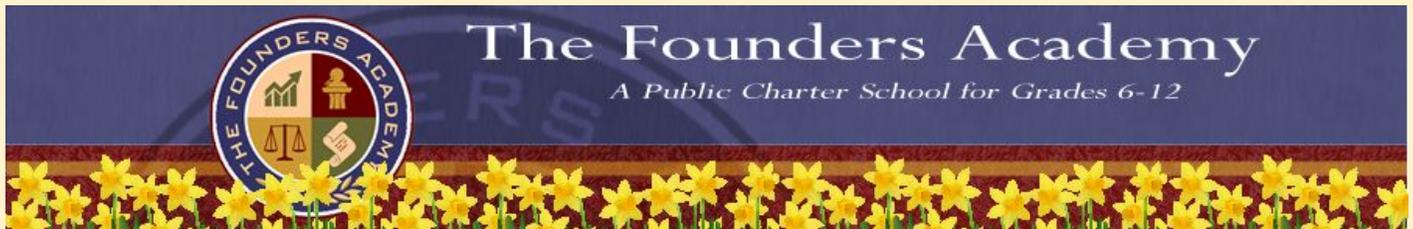
Items can be dropped off at the school or call in advance at 603.952.4705.

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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