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From the Dean of School



Happy Friday!

With a new school year comes new goals and expectations. More parental involvement is high on the list of goals.

We hope, that in the new school year, you'll considering getting more involved. We need our parents' help on several levels. What are your talents? What works for your schedule? What do you like to do (e.g., library help, substitute teach, landscaping, chaperoning)? I look forward to getting know many more of you next year. Feel free to contact me this summer to start the discussion on how you can get more involved.

Thank you for your support.

Sincerely,
Maureen Mooney
Dean of School

From the Assistant Director of Student Services: Summer College Tours



Traveling or staying close to home this summer? Either way, starting to visit and tour colleges is a great way to embark on your college journey. Whether you're traveling far and wide or not traveling at all, there are colleges in most parts of our state and throughout the country. While on summer break, take the opportunity to take a walk through a college campus, schedule a formal tour or take a virtual tour online. The earlier you start, the more informed you will be. Check out College Board's college search, Big Future

<https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/> to explore and learn about colleges and their campuses. The University System of New Hampshire <https://www.usnh.edu/> and Community College System of New Hampshire <https://www.usnh.edu/> are close to home and offer a variety of campuses all around our state.

College fairs are another great way to get to know potential colleges. NEACAC offers regular college fairs throughout New England. To see a schedule of their fairs visit: <http://www.neacac.org/2017-fall-college-fairs>.

For more information about college tours, please visit <https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/find-colleges/campus-visit-guide/when-to-visit> and <https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/find-colleges/campus-visit-guide>.

~Debra Castonguay, Assistant Director of Student Services

School News

Introduction: Emily DeAngelis

Founders is pleased to welcome our newest part-time Chorus teacher, Ms. Emily DeAngelis! Ms. DeAngelis will be a member of the Music and Art Department and will work closely with Ms. Cormier as the Music/Art Department expands. Her email address is: e.deangelis@tfanh.org. Welcome, Ms. DeAngelis!



Emily DeAngelis, professional vocalist and vocal pedagogue, holds a Masters of Vocal Pedagogy from Boston Conservatory and a Bachelor of Music in Vocal Performance from Keene State College. Ms. DeAngelis is passionate about teaching singing in her local community. She has taught voice lessons of both classical and musical theatre genres in central Massachusetts and Boston well as the Monadnock Region of New Hampshire. Ms. DeAngelis has worked professionally as a choir director at Church of the Nativity in her hometown of Northborough Massachusetts and as a voice coach with the Boston City Singers. As a vocal pedagogue Ms. DeAngelis believes in the importance of not only singing, but also building vocal longevity through healthy singing habits. It is her belief that through music an individual will receive tools and skills that are necessary to build a successful and prosperous life. When given skills of basic musicianship students develop self-discipline, coordination and dexterity, self-esteem, thinking and listening skills, and creative expression. She believes that music education is essential to the growth of an individual. Ms. DeAngelis' teaching style is heavily based on a foundation of physiological knowledge of the voice. She believes that through instruction based on function a healthy and sustainable voice can be cultivated. Along with care of the voice through healthy voice habits, a singer can ensure a long life of healthy singing. In the classroom she works to engage singers in a variety of exercises crafted for his or her learning style and leading serious musical study while inspiring love and enjoyment of music performance.

A Visit to the U.S. Department of Education in Washington, DC



On Friday, July 14, 2017, Dean Mooney, Mrs. Humphrey and Matt Southerton of the [New Hampshire Alliance for Public Charter Schools](#) met with Jason Botel of the

U.S. Department of Education in Washington, DC. Mr. Botel was appointed by President Trump with the titles Acting Assistant Secretary for Elementary and Secondary Education and Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary of Education for Elementary and Secondary Education. Previous to his presidential appointment, Mr. Botel started a charter school in Baltimore, Maryland and then served as the school's principal. His bio is [here](#).

The meeting was very productive and lasted over an hour. It is important that the U.S. Department of Education know of all the great things happening in New Hampshire charter schools! Additionally, the charter schools in New Hampshire need to know what the U.S. government is doing to support school choice. We hope to host Mr. Botel in New Hampshire soon!

Needed Items for the Health Office

As we get ready for the coming school year, our health office needs to be restocked to make sure we have everything we'll need. Please consider donating the following items as we stock up for next year! Thank you in advance!

Reusable Ice Packs for Overheating, Pain Relief

Instant Cold Pack

Band-Aids of all sizes

Gauze Size: 2x2 & 4x4

Ace wraps

Disinfectant Wipes

Tissues

Cough Drops

Medical Tape

Tongue Depressors

Eye Irrigation Bottle

Emesis Basins

Nail Clippers

See the school's "Most Wanted Items" here:

http://www.thefoundersacademy.org/outreach_happenings/most_needed_items_at_founders

DonorsChoose for Drama Club

Dear Founders Community,

I want to let you know about a new DonorsChoose.org project that I have created for the supplies needed for our Drama Club!

In the words of one of our students: "Theater is very important in student lives because it gives them more confidence and self respect, which is a very important feature in a future leader." By contributing to our project you will be supporting these young actors and technicians as they practice important skills and grow in confidence which will stay with them throughout their school years and beyond!

Last year our high school theatre group advanced to the NHETG State Festival. We want to build on that experience to generate more growth for both our high school and our middle school! Donations of any size will help my kids. Your donation will brighten my students' school year, and you'll get heartfelt thank yous from the Founders Drama Club and photos of your gift in action.

Here's my classroom request:

[All the World's a Stage- Help Us Build It!](#)

If you know anyone who is passionate about education and the performing arts, please pass this along. My students and I greatly appreciate your support!

-Ms. Mote

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Other News

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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