

December 1st, 2023



A Public Charter School
for Grades 5-12



DEAN HAYES'S WEEKLY MESSAGE

Greetings Founders Community,

Welcome to our new and improved newsletter! The goal is to make it more concise and organized. With that, you will notice more links to get you to more information.

Please click on the links to view the entire document related to each blurb. For example, the blurb on Important Dates has a link to the full calendar (which has been updated!).

Enjoy the new format!

IMPORTANT DATES AHEAD

Winter Break
(no school)

December 18th - January 1st

Martin Luther King Day
(no school)

January 15th

Midterm Testing

January 16th - January 19th

End of Quarter 2

January 19th

Teacher Workshop
(no school)

January 23rd

****NOTE- this is an update****

[2023-2024 Calendar](#)

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

“I prefer to be true to myself, even at the hazard of incurring the ridicule of others, rather than to be false, and incur my own abhorrence.”

Frederick Douglass

SENIOR PHOTOS & QUOTES

Senior photos and quotes
are due by
December 15th!

A hard-copy print or digital file
for photos may be submitted.
You may email digital photos and
senior quotes to
yearbook@tfanh.org.

Please send an email to
k.mote@tfanh.org or stop by
Room 143 if you have any
questions!



2023 ANGEL TREE

The Angel Tree is up in the lobby!

If you are interested in choosing an angel or two
from the tree please come into the building
during school hours. Your student may do this
for you as well, as long as they follow the
directions that are there.

Gifts are due back by December 12th with your
tag attached to the gift. This allows us to know
which family the gift goes to.

Please do not hesitate to email Kate Robichaud
with any questions (k.robicahud@tfanh.org)



Our Parent Teacher Student Group (PTSG) is a very active community, focused on supporting the school. Our purpose is to positively impact Founders Academy by providing support through volunteerism and fundraising for student and staff needs, leadership opportunities for students, and family and community engagement opportunities.

https://www.thefoundersacademy.org/parents/p_t_s_g

THE BUDDY PROJECT

The Buddy Project brings 11th and 5th graders together every Monday Roundtable to explore the world of knowledge, books, and friendships. These older students will be paired with either one or two 5th graders to enjoy conversation, fun activities, and reading. The foundation of the project is based on teaching our younger Founder's students about leadership skills and living up to the Founder's Code of Conduct, but it is also intended to provide them a space for laughter, creativity, and most of all fun!

To view our Amazon WishList, [click here!](#)

The Buddy Project



ATTENTION: 2024 EARLY DISMISSAL PERMISSION FORM

Please fill out one form for each student, specifying what days you (the student's parent/guardian) give express permission for your student to be dismissed at 2:25 pm from Founders.

****ONLY FILL OUT THIS FORM FOR STUDENTS WHO WILL BE DISMISSED EARLY EVERY WEEK****

****This applies to Student Drivers as well****

If your child is **not** being dismissed on a regular basis, do not fill out this form.

Any special circumstances must be communicated with Founders by email or phone.

A MESSAGE FROM SCHOOLMD

The most common reason students come to the health office is "I have a headache"!

Fortunately, after an evaluation we discover almost all are minor and may have been prevented or controlled with simple measures at home.

[Click here](#) for a few suggestions that may make a difference to your students wellbeing.

SIGN UP FOR SKI CLUB!

Founders Academy

McIntyre Ski Area provides students with a fun, safe and un intimidating environment to learn a sport that will last a lifetime!

After School Program Details:

- Consecutive 5 weeks Learn to Ski and Snowboard.
- Two-hour lesson with a small group setting.
- Groups are combined based on age and ability level.

After School Program (5 weeks) Pricing:

- Lessons: \$250
- Rentals: \$110
- Helmet Rental \$35
- Open Ski: \$120

Must be in 4th grade and at least level 4 to participate in open ski.

Registration closes at 9am on December 29, 2023.

PLEASE NOTE: TRANSPORTATION IS NOT PROVIDED.

Ski & Snowboard Equipment:

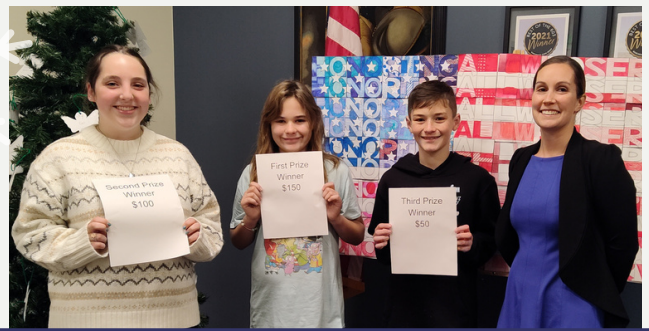
- **Rentals:** Rentals are available for the program if you do not have your own equipment.
 - Once registered, stop by McIntyre to be fitted for your rentals at least 2 weeks in advance
 - Please check with your school for dates on McIntyre Fitting nights. These nights only - save up to 20% on items in the ski shop.
- **Lease:** We offer seasonal Ski & Snowboard lease equipment at the Retail & Rental Shop.
- **Bring your own:** Mark your equipment with your name and school. *Proper gear is required for safety reasons.

School Coordinator Contact:

Jacqueline Lianos
jacqueline.lianos@tfanh.org

SPRING CRAFT & VENDOR FAIR VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Anyone interested in assisting with/volunteering at the 2024 Founder's Vendor Fair please contact Kate Robichaud at k.robichaud@tfanh.org



FALL CALENDAR RAFFLE WINNERS

Congratulations to our top three Fall Calendar Raffle sellers pictured here with Dean Hayes!

First place winner ~\$150~ Summer-Starr
Second place winner ~\$100~ Amelia
Third place winner ~\$50~ Bentley

Congratulations and thank you to everyone who participated!



ADMISSIONS FOR THE 2024 - 2025 SCHOOL YEAR

Admissions for the 2024-2025 school year is now open!
Applications for the 2024-2025 school year are due by **March 15, 2024.**

To apply for admission for grades 5-12, please fill out an [online application](#) and submit that with the associated admissions materials.

AMAZON WISH LIST PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Physical Education is an important part of our 6th grade curriculum here at Founders Academy. We would love to add some more equipment to the class and could use your help!

We're looking for donations of [tennis balls](#), [badminton shuttlecocks](#), and [foam balls](#).

All purchases will directly impact our students' experience in the classroom.

Annual Fund Letter from Dean Hayes

