

December 15th, 2023



A Public Charter School  
for Grades 5-12



## DEAN HAYES'S WEEKLY MESSAGE

Greetings Founders Community,

We are currently working on our second charter renewal. Schools need to apply for a charter renewal every 5 years and this is our year! Part of the process is to collect input/feedback from families on [the charter](#). If you wish to comment on the school's charter, please fill out [this form](#) and we will include it in the renewal packet. All feedback is welcome and as always, you can reach out to me directly at any time if needed.

## IMPORTANT DATES AHEAD

**NHS Winter Craft Night**  
December 15th 5:30 pm - 8:30 pm

**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

“Blessed is the season which engages the whole world in a conspiracy of love”

Hamilton Wright Mabie  
American Author and Essayist

## NHS WINTER CRAFT NIGHT

The NHS is hosting a Winter Craft Night on Friday, December 15th from 5:30pm to 8:30pm.

**Tickets** are \$1 each or \$10 for fifteen. Each event will cost between 1 and 4 tickets.

All Founders families are invited to this event!

Donations of bottled water, paper plates, and napkins would be very much appreciated!



## 2023 ANGEL TREE

Thank you to everyone who purchased gifts for the 2023 Angel Tree!

The holidays will indeed be merrier and brighter for local families in need because of the generosity of our families!

We wish all our families a wonderful holiday season!



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](https://www.thefoundersacademy.org/parents/p_t_s_g)

## 5TH GRADE HATS

Teacher by day and knitter by night! Ms. Robichaud gifted all 5th graders with her handmade knitted hats on the last day of school before Winter Break!

Made in different patterns and with the students' favorite colors, the students were all smiles receiving these gifts!



## 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.

## CLASS OF 2024 COLLEGE ACCEPTANCES

Senior acceptances are rolling in at Founders for the Class of 2024!

Seniors Noelle McWhirter and Mollie Quirk received acceptances to Dean Hayes' alma mater, The University of Rhode Island.

Congratulations to all our seniors, and keep those acceptances coming!

## 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.

**Projected dates (weather permitting)**  
1/5, 1/12, 1/19, 1/26, 2/2

#### 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:**  
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## LABELLE HOLIDAY LIGHTS FUNDRAISER

### LaBelle Lights Fundraiser for Founders

December 21, 2023  
4:30 p.m. through 9:30 p.m.



Use Access Code:  
Founders2023



## THE FOUNDERS ACADEMY 2ND ANNUAL CRAFT FAIR

Saturday, April 6, 2024 || 9:00 am - 3:00 pm  
There will be music and food at the event.

Interested in being a vendor? [Click here!](#)  
Vendor Cost: \$30 per space (10' X 4')  
Registration forms are due by March 1st, 2024.  
Payment can be made by cash or check.

Please email Kate Robichaud with any questions  
at [crafffair@tfanh.org](mailto:crafffair@tfanh.org)

# SPRING CRAFT AND VENDOR FAIR

## 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](#) and [foam balls](#).

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

[Annual Fund Letter](#)  
from  
Dean Hayes

