



Incoming Dean of School's Report ~ June 17, 2020

[Updated: June 15, 2020]

1. Update on Faculty:

Christine Tyrie, incoming Director of Faculty, has been meeting with teachers via zoom to get to know the staff and curriculum. A summary of her conversations with teachers will be shared with the staff during orientation in the fall. Additionally, these discussions will help us build a plan for professional development and curriculum work for the 2020- 2021 school year.

Joining our team for the 2020-2021 school year will be Andrew Mihaly (Social Studies Teacher), Gerrit Morse (English Teacher), Christine Tyrie (Director of Faculty), Susan Forsyth (Community Engagement and Admissions Coordinator), two new math teachers and one world language teacher.

Remote Learning was challenging for staff to be away from the building and their students. We have a wonderful community at The Founders Academy, it is like a second home for many of us. The administration recognized this and held daily (then weekly) meetings for everyone to get together via zoom, Dean's Study weekly, and a BINGO night for students and teachers. We look forward to a time when it is safe for all of us to be together again at our second home.

2. Update on Student Services:

Ms. Parent and Mrs. Moyer have finished up student meetings. During Remote Learning our Guidance Counselor, Ms. Parent, and Special Education Coordinator, Mrs. Moyer, continued all of their regularly scheduled meetings with students and were also available throughout the day to set up additional meetings with students. They worked tirelessly to support students' mental health through this challenging time.

3. Admissions Update:

We are holding a virtual open house on June 24th at 6 pm. All are welcome to join the Zoom link on the online calendar.

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Current student returning	Confirmed new students	Current students unknown	Incomplete Applications
261	105	23	33

4. Founders Reopening and Redesign Task Force Update:



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Founders is creating a Reopening and Redesign Task Force. The task force will be made up of teachers, students, parents, administrators, and board members. If anyone is interested in being a part of the task force, please let me know. A meeting schedule has not been created yet but the first meeting is anticipated to be held the last week of June.

5. **Quarter Four Honor Roll:** The third quarter ended on June 3, 2020. The following percentages of students made the honor roll: 28.1% made High Honor Roll (A or greater i.e., 94% or higher); 20.2% made Honor Roll (B+ through A- i.e., 87-93%); 11.5% made Honorable Mention (B i.e., 84-86%).

6. Students of Fourth Quarter:

High School ~ Kylie Francis

Here are some things that were said about Kylie's nomination: Kylie has been a good friend all through my years at Founders. We have known each other for a while and she has always had my back. She has cheered me up on days that I am not like myself and she lives by the Code of Conduct in her everyday life.

Middle School ~ Tyler Longval

Here are some things that were said about Tyler's nomination: Tyler is funny, respects others, and follows the Code of Conduct. He is a great friend and great classmate!

7. **Volunteers of the Month:** We would like to thank our 2019-2020 volunteers of the month:

September:	Joe Longval
October:	Allison Gosztyla
November:	Michael Lawton
December:	Patty Humphrey
January:	Diane Kolbe
February:	Bob Best
March:	Scott Perron
April:	Sue Lawton
May:	Barbara Comtois

8. **Employees of the Month:** We would like to thank our 2019-2020 employees of the month:

September:	Mrs. Ragas
October:	Mr. Gracza
November:	Mrs. Huffman
December:	Mr. Dupont
January:	Mrs. Hayes
February:	Mr. Rodrigues
March:	Ms. Brouillette



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April: Mrs. Moyer
May: Dean Mooney

9. **THANK YOU:** To parents, students and teachers for a wild but successful 2019-2020 school year, Ms. Efraimson and Mr. Weekley for delivering seamless zoom End of Year Convocations, Ms. Dougherty for running a celebratory 8th grade step-up ceremony, Mrs. Ragas for coordinating yearbook pickup, Ms. Nichols for coordinating a fun reverse parade, Mrs. Moyer for coordinating equipment return, The Lawton Family for helping with drama equipment relocation (specifically Mr. Lawton for driving a U-Haul for 10 hours!), and Dean Mooney for her years of service and dedication. **THANK YOU! THANK YOU!**