



## Dean of School's Report ~ August 18, 2021

[Updated: August 16, 2021]

1. **Update from Student Services:** Please welcome Mrs. Gauvin, Assistant Dean, Mrs. Tencza, High School Counselor, Mrs. Mihaly, Special Education Teacher, and Mrs. Somers, Post-Pandemic Support
2. **Director of Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment:** [Curriculum update](#) and [Canvas Update](#)
3. **Admissions Update:**

As of 9/14/21, There are 220 applications for the 21/22 school year, 182 of them are complete.

Grade	6th	7th	8th	9th	10th	11th	12th
Total	85	44	25	24	18	5	0
Completed	74	38	19	20	14	3	0

4. **InForce 911:** The Founders Academy has acquired InForce 911 per a recommendation from the Manchester Police Department. This is an app on phones and computers that allows staff members to communicate directly with the Manchester Police without going through the 911 service. Additionally, administration can send internal alerts and the MPD can send the school alerts if there is a threat in the area. Officer Linstad and Dean Hayes will be training the staff on this program during teacher orientation.
5. **Busing Update:** Students will have the opportunity to ride the bus using neighborhood bus stops, just like the traditional public school students. Students who live in the Central HS and West HS district will go to Cardinal Lacroix School and take a shuttle bus to Founders. Students who live in the Memorial HS district will take a bus or walk to Memorial then take a shuttle bus to Founders. Afternoon drop off will directly to the neighborhood stop. Founders will have staff at the transfer locations for the first few days of school.

All bus rules from the Manchester School District will be followed.

6. **You're Invited!:** Please join us on August 31, 2021 at 8am for coffee and "welcome back" to new staff. Our first session of staff orientation will be about the school's mission. I encourage you to attend. Coffee and Introductions will be from 8-8:45. The mission presentation will be from 8:45-10:15. We look forward to seeing you all there.



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Additionally, on September 9, 2021 at 9:15am we will have our opening ceremonies and there will be a very special announcement about Founders. You will not want to miss this!

7. **THANK YOU:** The PTSG for providing picnic tables and trash bins for our new student picnic, The PTSG for providing materials for our campus clean-up day, Tim Zumbo for his work on the building this summer, Mr. Lucht and Dylan Perron-Lucht for helping move table tops, Mrs. Lavallee for her help on the expansion grant, all summer staff for their hard work to prepare for the new school year. THANK YOU! THANK YOU!
8. **Congratulations:** The Founders Academy for the addition of 5th grade to the school's charter (see press release [here](#)) and receiving a \$600,000 expansion grant (see press release [here](#))