



Dean of School's Report ~ September 15, 2021

[Updated: September 14, 2021]

1. **Update from Student Services:** [Presentation](#) by Mrs. Gauvin
2. **Director of Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment:** [Curriculum update](#)
3. **Admissions Update:** Admission for the 2022-2023 school year opened today. We are now accepting applications for students who will be enrolling in 5th grade for the 2022-2023 school year. A Public Notice about Admissions opening has been posted on our website, Manchester post offices, and sent to all press contacts. We are still accepting applications for students in all grades for the 2021-2022 school year on a space-available basis.

We received a total of 222 applications for the 2021-2022 school year. This is the second highest number of applications for any school year. The 2016-17 school year had a total of 198 applications, the 2017-18 school year had 166 applications, the 2018-19 school year had 195 applications, the 2019-20 school year had 200 applications and the 2020-21 school year had 226 applications.

4. **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.

5. **Best of 603:** The Founders Academy received the gold level honor in the Best of 603 contest sponsored by the Manchester Radio Group. We are honored to win this award. During my speech I explained why we are the best charter school.

We are the best charter school because of all of you.

We are the best charter school because of the idea that our Founders, Mrs. Humphrey and Mrs. Lavallee had and their hard work to make their dream into a reality.

We are the best charter school because of our first Dean, Dean Mooney, who worked tirelessly to build the school from a 6-8 middle school all the way through our first graduating class.



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We are the best charter school because of our board of trustees, Mrs. Humphrey, Mrs. Lavallee, Mrs. Lawton, Mr. Perron, Mr. Fox, and Chairman Best. The board of trustees donates all of their time to govern the school.

We are the best charter school because of our community partners. Mr. Thomas and Northpoint construction who built this beautiful school and continues to stay with us as we expand and provide more opportunities. Officer Linstad and the Manchester Police Department who work with us to keep our school safe.

We are the best charter school because of our teachers and staff who put in countless hours to create a safe and productive learning environment for all students.

We are the best charter school because of our parents. Thank you to all of the parents who entrust your most valuable asset, your children, to us. Thank you to the PTSG for being a driving force behind the parent support this school has.

And last, but certainly not least, we are the best charter school because of our students. Our school would not be complete without each and everyone of you. You make our school the best charter school in New Hampshire.

6. Road Race: 1st Annual Character and Leadership Run - October 10!

The Founders Academy's Character and Leadership Run on Sunday, October 10, 2021 is a family-friendly community event that encourages people of all ages to get outside to run or walk this 1-mile course. All proceeds from this event benefit The Founders Academy Public Charter School.

[Register for the Character and Leadership Run today!](#)

Become a *Founders Family* Sponsor!



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The Founders Academy invites members of our community to become a *Founders Family* sponsor for the Character and Leadership run on October 10. As a sponsor, your family will be recognized with a name on the event day t-shirt, recognition of appreciation on our website, two free participant entries, and more! Hurry - the deadline to become a *Founders Family* sponsor is Friday, September 17!

[Print out the Founders Family Sponsor form here.](#)

Sponsors Needed for the Race!

Become a race sponsor today! This race is advertised locally and on social media. Some of the benefits of race sponsorship include live acknowledgment over the PA system on race day, company name and/or logo featured on our tee shirts, the race route and the school website, and two free runners the day of the event! The Founders Academy is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization and your sponsorship is tax-deductible.

[Print out the sponsorship form here.](#)

7. **THANK YOU:** Mrs. Meilleur and Mrs. Tyrie for organizing Teacher Orientation Week, to the board of trustees for attending our kick-off session at orientation, teachers for a successful start to the school year, parents and students for a smooth transition into the 21-22 school year, Mrs. Forsyth for opening admissions to the 22-23 school year. THANK YOU! THANK YOU!
8. **Congratulations:** The entire Founders Community for your award and a success start to the school year.