



FOX CROFT ACADEMY

From the desk of the Head of School

Dates to Remember:

Indigenous Peoples Day- Monday, October 12th, No School

Parent/Teacher Conferences- Tuesday, October 13th and Thursday, October 15th, from 6-8 p.m.

Homecoming Week- October 13th- 16th

End of First Quarter- Friday, October 30th

First Quarter Grades Available- Friday, November 6th

School Picture Retakes- Monday, November 9th and Thursday, November 12th

Veterans Day Holiday- Wednesday, November 11th, No School



**The Five-Week Mark of In-person Instruction!
(photo of the 2020 FA Cross Country Team)**



If I was asked back in September if we could have at least five weeks of uninterrupted in-person instruction, I would have expressed my doubts. However, due to everyone working together, communicating, and making sacrifices, we have made the five-week mark. I can tell you the students are doing a great job with all aspects of following the guidelines and practicing good COVID-19 habits. We are missing the energy that is usually associated with the start of school, in particular morning assemblies, and like all changes come adjustments. As you probably know, fall athletics are under way and we have chosen to have home specta-

tors, of course within the necessary MPA guidelines which require mask wearing, families physically distancing, and maintaining a group size of less than one-hundred people all inclusive (players, coaches, and spectators). It is nice to have some semblance of normalcy. At the time of this letter, all FA athletic teams won their opening contest. The hybrid structure seems to be working, allowing for remote learning and in-person instruction with the desired frequency of both types. We are starting the flu season and flu shots will be made available for students in the near future. Because symptoms of the flu coincide with COVID-19 symptoms, the guidance is for students to stay home if they do not feel well (consult our school nurse or your PCP if you have any questions). A correspondence has gone out about parent/teacher conferences which will be done using Google Meet. Contact Ms. Weatherbee at pam.weatherbee@foxcroftacademy.org to schedule your parent/teacher conferences which will take place on October 13th and 15th from 6-8 pm.

The First Parent Advisory Council Virtual Meeting

The first Parent Advisory Council (PAC) meeting will be held virtually on Thursday, October 22nd, at 6 PM. The purpose of the Foxcroft Academy Parent Advisory Council is to share their perspective on programming at the Academy in support of the mission of the school. Parent input is important to the success of the Academy. Topics will be global in nature with private conversations with the Head of School for individual needs. Current members will be sent a Zoom invite and if you are interested in joining the PAC, please contact Ms. Weatherbee and provide your email address so that we may include you on the invite.

FA Student Council Planning 2020 Homecoming

The Foxcroft Academy Student Council is in the midst of planning the 2020 Homecoming, COVID style. We will not be able to do a parade, dance, or bonfire; however, the members are thinking outside of the box to support some form of Homecoming. Homecoming is traditionally the first event for classes to compete for the coveted Golden Pony Award. Homecoming 2020 will take place on Wednesday October 14th and Friday the 16th. Details will be forthcoming, but will include the outdoor activities that can be done with COVID-19 good habits such as backyard games, relay races, minute to win it, spirit days, pumpkin carving contest, class banners, etc. Both pony and pride cohorts will participate during one of their scheduled days. I would like to thank the Student Council for their efforts to provide traditional events within the CDC guidelines.

