



# FOX CROFT

## A C A D E M Y

*From the desk of the Head of School*

### Dates to Remember:

**Graduation Date Change**– Sunday, June 12th, 10:00 a.m.

**April Vacation**– April 18th—April 22nd

**Step Up Day for Incoming 9th Graders**– Friday, April 29th



### Jim Robinson Field House Progress Continues

Sheridan Construction continues to be on schedule. At publication, finish-work is being done in the lobby, the trusses are being painted, and frost is drawn from the ground. The Jim Robinson Field House will be substantially completed by early June, well before the official ribbon-cutting ceremony on August 5th, 2022 at 6 p.m.



### Senior Exhibitions Returned April 7th

Senior portfolio presentations took place on Thursday, April 7th, between either 3-5 p.m. or 6-8 p.m., returning to in-person presentations. Students have been working on their portfolios to show that they have developed skills in Foxcroft Academy's **five mission standards: clear and effective communication, creative and practical problem solving, integrative and informed thinking, responsible and involved citizenship, and self-directed and life-long learning.** For their presentation, students showcased one item from their portfolio, explained how it is evidence of their skill in a mission standard, and connected that skill with their plans for the future. We hope that portfolio presentations demonstrate success in Foxcroft Academy's mission to "...equip graduates with the life skills needed for success in college, career, and community..." Senior parents, we hope you were able to join us to celebrate our students' outstanding accomplishments during their time at FA!

### Jasper Makowski Receives MPA Principal's Award

Jasper Makowski, a senior at Foxcroft Academy, has been selected to receive the 2022 Principal's Award. The award, sponsored by the Maine Principals' Association, is given to recognize a high school senior's academic achievement and citizenship. "Jasper epitomizes the essence of the MPA's Principal's Award in the classroom, co-curricular activities, and the community." Jasper and I participated in a Live Virtual Scholarship Drawing Event on Friday, April 1, at 11:00 a.m. Ten \$1,000 scholarships were drawn in the names of former Maine principals and MPA Executive Directors: Horace O. McGowan, Richard W. Tyler, and Richard A. Durost. The Principal's Award is presented in more than 100 Maine public and private high schools by member principals of the MPA, the professional association representing Maine's school administrators.

### Teaching Climate Change through Wilderness Education: Foxcroft Academy IB Biology Class Adventure

*"Foxcroft Academy equips graduates with the life skills needed for success in college, career, and community by inspiring, engaging, and empowering students to become informed and active global citizens."* Mr. Weber, Foxcroft Academy science teacher, brought the mission alive by taking the IB Biology Class on a three-night outdoor winter adventure ski trip. The students not only learned about scientific concepts, but they also learned a lot about themselves through surviving outside during a Maine winter. This is a prime example of students being problem solvers, using high-level thinking skills, collaboration, leadership, and actively engaging in their learning. Check this out in a video made by the IB students. <https://youtu.be/CajGdYHoMik>