

OCTOBER 7, 2020

Finn Academy: An Elmira Charter School

SCHOOL-WIDE NEWSLETTER



Dear Finn Families,

We understand that with the recent spike in positive cases in Chemung County comes increased concern and anxiety. We remain committed to prioritizing health and safety for our scholars and staff, and actively review our policies and procedures on a weekly basis. We also engage in a daily call with the Health Department and other local schools/districts, in order to stay informed and updated regarding changes in guidance and recommended protocols. If you have any questions or concerns about our health and safety procedures, please do not hesitate to reach out. We are here to support our families as best we can through these difficult and unsettling times.

Best,
Aimee

We are crew

VISITOR REMINDER

Anyone coming to the building as a visitor, must be screened and temperature checked. We are limiting access to the office and building, as a health and safety measure. Please ensure that you are accessing the building via the main entrance.

PARENT/GUARDIAN SURVEY

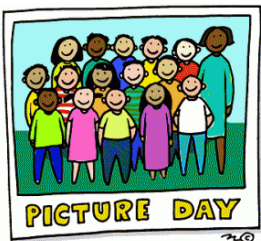


As we soon close out the first full month of school, it is critical that we remain in communication with families regarding program satisfaction and needed supports/resources. Please take a moment to complete the survey link sent via email (one for each scholar).

Your feedback is appreciated and necessary.

If you do not have access to completing it electronically, please call or email and we can submit on your behalf.

SCHOOL PICTURE DAYS



Tuesday, November 3rd/November 5th
Makeups: December 15th and December 17th

More information to follow for in-person and remote!

FUTURE CELEBRATION WEEK—October 26–October 30

This week is dedicated to celebrating our scholars' bright futures by having a fun spirit week with a college and career focus!

Monday, October 26th

Working Towards My Future

Scholars dress in school-appropriate workout clothes

Tuesday, October 27th

The Future Me

Scholars dress up as their dream career/profession

Wednesday, October 28th

My Future's So Bright

Scholars dress in neon or bright-colored clothing



Thursday, October 30th

Dress to Impress

Scholars dress in their fanciest attire

Friday, October 30th

Dress to Impress

Scholars dress in school-appropriate pajamas (slippers not permitted)



**SECOND
STEP®**

Over the last several weeks, our *Second Step* SEL (social-emotional learning) instruction has focused on school being a welcoming place where every scholar feels like he or she belongs, teaching and

modeling our school norms, and reminding scholars to welcome others and act and speak in a safe, respectful and responsible way.

Crews are also beginning to work on skills for learning, such as positive listening, focusing attention, using self-talk to stay on task, and to be assertive when asking for help with learning. These skills will help every scholar be successful as scholars, leaders and friends. Over the course of the year, we will keep families updated regarding our Second Step curriculum and how you can help reinforce and support these critical SEL skills at home.

Finn Family Crew Event



Pumpkin and Paint Pick-up

Pumpkins can be picked up on
October 17th and 18th from
1:00–4:00 pm.

At Finn Academy Williams St.
Bus Loop!