



# Thomas K. Finletter Academics Plus

6101 N. Front Street  
Philadelphia, PA 19120  
215-400-3750

Tamara Edwards, Principal

Follow us on Twitter @TKFinletter Instagram@Finletterart  
FaceBook@Thomas K. Finletter Academics Plus

## March 2019

8:20 AM- School Begins  
8:30 AM-Students ARE MARKED LATE  
3:01 PM - School Ends  
School Office Opens at 9:00 AM

	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 12:00 Dismissal 	2
3	4	5  Lifetouch Spring Photos and 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Yearbook Photos	6  Pretzel Sales 50¢ each	7 Kindergarten Open House 9:30-11:00 	8 Last Day to Pay for the PBIS Bowling Trip (invite only!)	9
10 Day Light Savings Time Move clocks forward 	11	12	13  Pretzel Sales 50¢ each	14 Joe Corbi Orders are due 	15 PBIS Bowling Trip Invite Only 	16
17 	18	19	20 Welcome Spring  Pretzel Sales 50¢ each	21	22	23
24	25	26	27 Literacy Night/Title 1 SAC Meeting 4-6 PM Meeting LSH-Multipurpose Room  Pretzel Sales 50¢ each	28 3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade Trip Riverbend Environmental Center	29	31

**Attendance Matters....Strive For 95!**

For the month of February, I missed \_\_\_\_\_ days! This means I have \_\_\_\_\_% attendance.

**I am committed to coming daily for the month of March to participate in the Finletter "The Choice is Yours Party"**

## PRINCIPAL'S CORNER

Dear Finletter Families,

**Greetings** from the Thomas K. Finletter Academics Plus School. Below you will find a few reminders and updates that I would like you to be aware of:

### **Attendance Campaign:**

**Strive for 95!!!- On time and in school every day ...all day...all year!**

*Goal: 100% of all students will attend school at least 95 % of the enrolled days in 2018-2019*

**A number of students are arriving at to school at 8:30 AM- and are being marked late. School begins promptly at 8:20 AM.**

**Please ensure that every effort is made to have your child at school on time.** Excessively absent or late students may also be excluded from activities and events at school.

**March Attendance Incentive-** During the month of March, all students coming to school **every day on time and without early dismissals** will be invited to attend a Pretzel and Water Ice Party at the beginning of April. Please ensure that you are sending your student to school on time and prepared to do his/her best!

As a reminder, the school building does not open until 8:20 AM daily. This is when adequate supervision of students is available. Please do not send students to school prior to this time (unless they are in grades 3<sup>rd</sup> -8<sup>th</sup> and are coming at 8:00 AM to eat breakfast). With winter quickly approaching, it is getting colder and students sent to school too early by parents or guardians will have to wait outside until the doors of the school are opened at 8:20 AM. School ends at 3:01 PM daily and on early dismissal days, school ends at 12:00 PM. Unfortunately, Finletter does not have staff members available to properly supervise students after dismissal so please ensure that you arrive promptly to pick your student up on time.

**Finletter S.A.C.- All parents that are interested in joining the Finletter School Advisory Council please contact Ms. Harrow at 215-400-3750.**

**The Parent/Guardian District-wide Surveys** are now open online! All parents/guardians can access the survey at [philasd.org/parentsurvey](http://philasd.org/parentsurvey). The survey is available in nine languages. This year, we would like 100 % Participation from our families. This survey is a way for parents to provide input in your child's education. Parents/guardians must enter their child's School District of Philadelphia Student ID Number to access the survey. If parents/guardians do not know their child's School District of Philadelphia Student ID Number, they should contact their child's school. District parents/guardians can also look on their child's report card.

### **Upcoming March Events:**

- **Half-Day-Early Dismissal at 12:00 PM on March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019**
- **Picture Day- March 5<sup>th</sup>, 2019-** for both *Spring and 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Promotion Pictures-Students can dress in an appropriate outfit of choice*
- **Finletter Literacy Night-** - Finletter students accompanied by his/her Parent or guardian are invited to join us on March 27<sup>th</sup>, 2019, for Literacy Night from 4PM-6PM in the Multipurpose Room of the Little School House. Our staff has prepared wonderful activities that promote literacy in all grade levels.
- **Wednesday, March 27, 2019** we will hold a Title I Parent Meeting during the Literacy Night Celebration. Parents are encouraged to attend.

*Thank you in advance for your cooperation and support!*

*Respectfully,*

*Tamara Edwards, Principal*