August 21, 2012

Dear Parents and Guardians:

I hope you and your families had a healthy and enjoyable summer. Thanks to our great support staff, Finley is ready for business. The students' class schedules are complete and enclosed herein. Please read this entire letter as it contains some important directions and information to ensure that we have a smooth opening. Remember, we will not make any schedule changes unless there is an error or class sizes necessitate changes.

There will be a student visitation day on **Wednesday, August 29**. Seventh grade students and parents may come to Finley from 9:00 am to 11:00 am to try their lockers and visit their classrooms. Eighth graders may come from 12:00 pm to 1:00 pm. Mr. Lowe and Mrs. Cain will be in the guidance office on August 27, 28 and 29 to answer questions.

Team supply lists are located on my E-board on the district website. Just go to [www.hufsd.edu](http://www.hufsd.edu), click on the drop-down menu and click on “E-Boards,” click on Finley and then click on “Mr. Amato”. Supply lists are listed by the student's academic team. The team name is listed on the schedule: Eagles, Hawks, Ravens, Yale, Cornell and Princeton. Student lockers and combinations are also listed on the schedule.

The first day of school is **Wednesday, September 5, 2012**. All bus stop information will be sent home through the district’s transportation office. Parents who drive their children to school must follow the directions of our safety staff in the parking lots. Students may be dropped off between 7:30 and 7:50. Homeroom begins at 8:00. The full bell schedule can be found on the district website.

Also enclosed is an important emergency card which should be completed and returned to the nurse’s office as soon as possible. The PTA has also enclosed information for parents. The PTA will also be on hand on August 29 as they begin their membership drive. Parents are encouraged to join my parent e-mail group so they can receive information via e-mail. To join simply send an e-mail request to Joanne Gurrieri at jgurrieri@hufsd.edu.

I look forward to seeing you all on August 29th for visitation day.

Very truly yours,

John Amato,
Principal

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Enclosures (4)