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Dearest Finch Community,

Welcome to the 25-26 school year! I write to you as the PROUD Principal of Finch Elementary School. I am honored to continue to serve in this role, as it is one of dedication to excellence, dedication to student achievement, and dedication to being a servant leader in a community that boasts of rich history and abundant pride. In my 21-year career as an educator, I have worked as a Teacher, Data Coach, and Assistant Principal. Still, I consider my most significant job title is that of “**child advocate**.” This role aligns with the ideals and values of Mr. William M. Finch, Atlanta’s 1st African American Councilman and staunch supporter of providing quality education for **ALL** children.

My goal is to always provide a supportive presence and strong leadership that will ensure that each student reaches their greatest potential- both academically and socially. I am wholeheartedly committed to fully preparing our Finch Eagles for success beyond elementary school. I commit to spending a great deal of time with your children, getting to know their personalities, learning styles and interests. I vow to celebrate their successes, small and large. I promise to provide daily encouragement and I vow to let them know they are valued and have a special place in our school, in the Oakland City community and in our world.



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There's a lot of excitement ahead of us, including new teachers/staff to meet, new friendships to nurture, new books to read, and new skills to learn and master. We look forward to you sharing in these exciting times in the days, weeks, and months ahead. **Please plan to attend our Open House on Friday , August 1st** to meet your child's teacher, receive resources, and learn about the exciting things we have planned this school year. The Open House is scheduled from **9 am-11 am** and will get you prepared and **READY for DAY ONE on Monday, August 4th, 2025.**

I encourage you to take the time from your busy schedule to become familiar with our school. Please follow us on our school website and social media platforms to stay informed.

Again, I am excited to welcome you into the 25-26 school year! Please know that I am committed to continuing the positive movement of Finch's achievements and I am excited to create many more partnered successes.

Soaring High with EAGLE Pride,

Dr. Tara C. Spencer

