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Fillmore Central School

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Welcome New Staff Members!

Miss Roeske shares: "Hello! My name is Hannah Roeske, and I'm thrilled to be teaching elementary art at Fillmore Central School this year!

As a Fillmore 2020 graduate, it's incredibly special to be back in the community that helped shape me. I recently earned my bachelor's degree in Inclusive Childhood Education and Studio Art from Houghton University in 2024. During my time there, I enjoyed playing on the women's basketball team and participating in various music opportunities on campus.

Before stepping into this role, I gained valuable classroom experience through my practicum in special education (grades 1–3), student teaching in 5th grade English, and my first post-graduate position, where I taught elementary art and math intervention (RTI) last year.

Outside of school, I've spent my summers working as a camp counselor in New England, where I had the joy of leading various outdoor wilderness adventures with my campers - an experience that certainly deepened my love for teaching and mentoring. Beyond the classroom, I enjoy hiking and camping, serving in my church community, and working on my art and photography.

I'm so excited to be starting my second year of teaching here at Fillmore. I look forward to creating a joyful, safe, and creative space where your children can explore, express, and grow through art!"

Mr. Tucker shares: "Hi, I'm Zach! I've lived in Fillmore for basically my entire life and graduated from Houghton Academy in 2021. I then attended Houghton University, where I ran cross-country, indoor track and field, and outdoor track and field.

I graduated from Houghton in December of 2024 and then served as a long-term sub at Fillmore for the last five months of the school year. I just started my master's at Houghton University and will be working on that for the next three years.

In my free time, I love to run, and I also enjoy making instrumental and cinematic music electronically. I've always known that I wanted to stay in Fillmore and teach at this school, so I am very excited for the opportunity to work here! "

Mrs. Harvey shares: "Hello everyone!! I'm Emily Harvey, and I'm originally from Wallingford, Connecticut. I attended the University of Hartford where I earned my BFA in Illustration with minors in Art History, Animation, and Creative Writing. During my junior year, I studied abroad in Cortona, Italy for a semester, and it was one of the best experiences of my life.

My brother went to RIT for undergrad, and his roommate turned out to be my future husband, so I moved here around 4 years ago. We got married in June 2023, and now we live in Groveland, just outside of Geneseo. After nannying for three years, I attended RIT last year for my Master of Science for Teachers in Visual Arts. I student taught middle and high school art classes at Geneseo with Rob Antonucci, then at Livonia with Kat Metzler.

I'm so excited to be at Fillmore with all of you!! Everyone has been so unbelievably kind and welcoming, and I feel so lucky to be part of such a supportive and passionate community. Thanks so much!!"

Mr. Sisson shares: "Hi, I'm Carter! I grew up in Houghton, NY and graduated from Fillmore in 2022. I went on to attend Houghton University where I studied Special Education. Growing up in Fillmore, I always admired the strong sense of community, and I feel incredibly grateful to now be a part of it as a teacher.

In my free time, I enjoy watching and playing sports and spending time with family and friends. I am excited to begin this new chapter, give back to the school that shaped me, and help my students grow both in and out of the classroom."

We are extremely excited to welcome back Jordan Reed to FCS. Mrs. Reed shares: "Hi, I'm Jordan Reed! This is my 11th year teaching, and 9 of those years have been right here in Fillmore. I taught 2nd grade in Fillmore for 8 years, then 2 years in 1st grade at Letchworth. I am excited to say that I am back in 2nd

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grade at Fillmore! Being back at Fillmore feels just like coming home.

My husband and I have 3 boys that keep us very busy! Besides teaching, I enjoy spending time with my family, reading, kayaking and being part of the Fillmore Girls Soccer program. I missed FCS, am so happy to be back and part of the Fillmore community."

Miss Beardsley shares: "Hi, I'm Macy! I'm so excited to be at Fillmore this year! I grew up here and graduated from FCS in 2019 before attending St. Bonaventure University, where I was a member of the women's rugby team and graduated in 2023.

For the past two years, I taught kindergarten in Belfast where I am the Varsity cheerleading coach for GVBC. Coaching is a true passion of mine—I currently coach Varsity Cheer, 3rd & 4th grade youth cheer, and am an assistant coach for modified soccer and modified softball here at FCS.

When I have free time, I will almost always spend it with my family as they are an extremely important part of my life. Fillmore has always held a special place in my heart, and the community is one of a kind. I'm so excited to be back and am proud to be an Eagle again!"

Miss Laughlin shares: "Hello! I'm Reina! Originally from Larchmont, NY, a suburb of NYC, I was eager for a new adventure and decided to attend Alfred University. I graduated with a bachelor's degree in early childhood education as well as Psychology.

During my college years, I was a competitive cheerleader and worked in the YMCA afterschool program. I've also had the pleasure of working in several local school districts, including Andover Central School, Canisteo-Greenwood Elementary School, and Alfred-Almond Central School!

Afterwards, I completed my Master's in Literacy at SUNY Potsdam. I kicked off my teaching career at Belfast Central School, where I taught third grade for two wonderful years! I also had the joy of coaching Girls on the Run and modified cheerleading.

In my free time, I love to hike with my one-year-old pup, Missy, and I enjoy cooking and baking! I'm thrilled to be here at Fillmore and can't wait to immerse myself in this fantastic welcoming community!"

Mr. Lundeen shares: "Hello, I'm Andrew Lundeen. I grew up in Canandaigua, NY and graduated from Houghton (College) University in 2009. Following graduation, my wife, Melissa Lundeen and I moved to Maryland where I taught Math and Social Studies for seven years. During that time, I completed my master's in Curriculum and Instruction with a focus in Administration from McDaniel College. In the fall of 2016, we moved back to New York after I accepted the Head Men's Lacrosse Coach position at Houghton where I worked until 2021. I am looking forward to getting back in the classroom and excited to be a part of the Fillmore community."

Mr. Cole shares: "Hello! My name is Luke Cole, and I am so excited to be teaching at FCS! Here is a little of my history so you can know me better. I graduated from Fillmore in 2020 and continued my studies and athletic career at Houghton University. As I was finishing my bachelor's degree, I worked as a long-term sub in 9th grade English at Fillmore, and I enjoyed that experience immensely.

I had no doubt about applying for the Global position when it was available, and I'm grateful that I've received the opportunity to continue at FCS in this new role. Outside of school, I revel in any time spent in the sun, relaxing with family and friends, and playing sports of any kind. Let's have a great year!"

Miss Parrent shares: "Hi, I'm Cheyenne! I grew up in Fort Mill, South Carolina and graduated from Catawba Ridge in 2022. Shortly after I moved to Colorado where I started my first Pre-K job while taking classes for early education online.

I moved to Fillmore just over a year ago and started at Fillmore as a one on one in the 3 Pre-K room last school year. In my free time I enjoy hiking with my dog Motz, baking, and reading. I am so excited for this opportunity and can't wait to see what this school year brings!"

Miss Kovacich shares: "Hi my name is Ashlynn Kovacich. I'm from California and moved here in November 2021. I have 3 kids that attend Fillmore school. In California I worked at a Christian school with preschool kids. I absolutely love working with kids and have known that since I was in the 2nd grade.

I'm a social butterfly as my dad would say. After my workday is over, I'm a lil farmer. I have chickens, goats, a cow, and one rabbit. I love keeping busy and I'm always on a mission. I'm so excited for this new chapter in my life."

Mr. Marshall shares: "Hi, I'm Jim. I'm excited to join FCS staff as the new Technology Office Assistant. As an FCS alum, it feels great to return and have the opportunity to put my experience working with computers and other technology to use in serving the great school and community that helped make me who I am today. I'm currently pursuing a degree in Software Development and enjoy creating programming projects that help make everyday life easier for everyone.

Outside of work, I love spending time with my wife, Jamie, and awesome children Jasper and Rowan. I'm also a big fan of hobbies that spark creativity, including video games, building Gundam models, playing Dungeons & Dragons, and wood carving."

Mr. Thomas shares: "Hi! My name is Ezra Thomas and I'm just thrilled to be teaching English here at Fillmore! It is such a blessing to be at FCS and to be surrounded by such a wonderful group of staff, students, and families.

I graduated from Grand Canyon University last spring, where I hooped a little bit, played a lot of beach volleyball, and developed my passion for reading and writing in a professional and academic capacity. I grew up overseas, spending nine years in South Korea and six in Indonesia, where I graduated from Bandung Alliance Intercultural School. At BAIS, I fell in love with literature, and the support of my wonderful teachers there led me to where I am today, an English teacher myself! A few of my favorite authors are Ernest Hemingway, C.S Lewis, Fyodor Dostoyevsky, Charles Spurgeon, and Matthew Henry.

When I am outside the classroom I love to get in the gym, swim, read, and get in the Word. I am filled with joy for the opportunity to teach and will do my best to instill a passion for lit. in each and every student that walks into my classroom! I can't wait to get to know all of you better as the year progresses, and I am so thankful for the support and kindness I have already been shown in these first three weeks :)."

Miss Willgens shares: "Hi! I'm Emily Willgens and I'm excited to be back at my alma mater as an aide in four Pre-K this year!

I graduated from Fillmore in 2020 and went on to graduate from college in 2024. After getting some experience in the workplace I decided to come back to the school atmosphere and I'm so glad I did!

When I'm not working, I love to spend time with my family, fiancé, and my bulldog Eddie.

I am so happy to be here and cannot wait for a great school year!"

Mrs. Swain shares: "Hi, I'm Ashley! I grew up in Centerville and graduated from Fillmore in 2009. I live in Fillmore now with my husband and two girls. I am currently working on earning my bachelor's degree in Elementary Education and will be done next summer! In my spare time I enjoy doing anything outdoors with my family. I really believe we have a great community here at Fillmore and I am excited to be a part of it!"

Miss Hall shares: "Hello, my name is Haley Hall! I grew up in Fillmore, NY and I graduated from Fillmore in 2022. I love working with kids and I am so glad to be at Fillmore. I am excited and grateful to be here and to be working in kindergarten!

In my free time I enjoy watching sports, coaching boys' volleyball, playing video games, doing crafts, and being with my friends and family. I have an adorable and sassy female corgi named Tinkerbell that is a little over a year old.

I love being around the kids and helping them grow both inside and outside of the classroom. I hope to make a positive impact and difference in their lives. I am so excited and appreciative for this new opportunity in this amazing small-town community and school I grew up in!"

Miss Cockle shares: "Hi, I'm Clancey! I grew up in Fillmore, NY and graduated from Fillmore in 2022. I am currently in my senior year at Houghton University, where I am studying psychology and I am a member of the women's tennis team.

In my free time, I love to be outside, read books, do puzzles, and spend time with my family and friends. I am so excited to be back at Fillmore so I can give back to my alma mater and my community!"

Mrs. Yu-Reinbold shares: "My name is Wendy Yu-Reinbold. My family moved up here 3 ½ years ago from New Jersey. I am married with 3 children. My husband, Gregg Reinbold, is a Fillmore graduate, and we own Allegany Log Homes in Houghton. I started working at FCS as a substitute teacher. This year I have been hired as the Director of after school programs. I am so excited to be able to spend this time with our students. We have so many fun things planned for this year."

SUPERINTENDENT'S MESSAGE

Early Benefits of PreK Expansion

One of the most exciting parts of our current capital project has been the addition of two new full day 3pk and 4pk classrooms. Going into this project we knew it was a big move, but a strategic move.

Below are some of the benefits we hoped for and are starting to see:

Why this matters for Fillmore:

- **Early intervention:** By kindergarten, we've either helped close the gaps or identified learner needs.
- **Family connections:** Families become part of our school community earlier, strengthening relationships.
- **Equal access:** Every child has the opportunity to enter kindergarten on the same footing, regardless of family resources.
- **Readiness:** Students arrive at kindergarten already familiar with school routines, literacy, numeracy, and social skills.
- **Smooth transitions:** Kids and families know our staff, systems, buildings which hopefully making the move to kindergarten seamless.
- **Stronger classrooms:** Supports come sooner, which reduces disruptions and helps students and staff focus on instruction.
- **A stronger Fillmore:** A full PreK program makes our district more attractive for families choosing where to live and helps us retain great staff.
- **Long-term savings:** Early support reduces the need for more costly services later.

At the end of the day, this expansion is about more than space, it's about giving children the best possible start and giving our teachers the tools to meet student needs earlier.

We are grateful for the community's support in making this vision a reality.

Together, we are building a stronger foundation for every Fillmore child.

Michael Dodge
Superintendent,
Fillmore Central School District

Wide Awake Club Library Happenings

Submitted by Roxanne Baker, Director

We had a fantastic summer at the library this year! During July and August our total circulation was just over 9,000 - of which 4,556 were children's fiction books! We'd like to thank two teen volunteers who helped re-shelve all these books this summer: Juniper Babbitt and Ralph Lipscomb, they were a big help! The library offered 61 summer programs/ events that were attended by over 1,100 people of all ages. We had 226 children, teens, and adults register for our Summer Reading Program. A special **THANK YOU** to **Shop n' Save** for donating Slush Puppies as reading prize incentives for the children in our community.

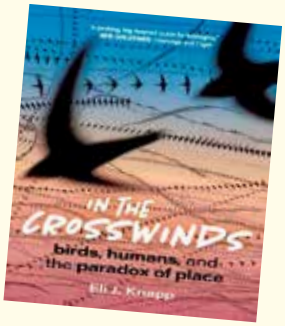
Our **LIBRARY of THINGS** now has 2 metal detectors available to check out! One is for adults, the other is child size. Great for finding lost items, or just to have fun hunting for treasures!

FALL PROGRAMS & SPECIAL EVENTS:

Oct. 17th FALL FUN! Drop in anytime between 1:30-3:00 to make magnetic slime, create an apple snack, and MORE! For all ages.

Oct. 23rd at 7pm LOCAL AUTHOR DR. ELI KNAPP will be discussing his newest book: **In the Crosswinds: Birds, Humans, and the Paradox of Place.**

Birds fly vast distances and yet choose particular places at particular times. They embody wildness, inhabit wilderness, and understand the importance of place. At a topsy-turvy time in my own life, I wanted the same—to learn what birds knew innately. So I followed them: to Africa, Asia, Australia, and nooks and crannies in between. Birds led me to incredible landscapes, restless oceans, urban parks, and even to Aldo Leopold's comely chicken coop. The crosswinds blew me hither only to return me—paradoxically—to my own backyard. I invite you along on this journey, to glean a bit of bird wisdom and more fully embrace the beauty of the place you inhabit. Books will be available to purchase.



Oct. 24th PUMPKIN FUN from 5-7pm- Come and decorate a pumpkin as your FAVORITE BOOK CHARACTER! Pumpkins will be displayed at the library until Oct. 31st. You MUST register for this so we have enough pumpkins and supplies for all. This is FREE and open to children and adults of all ages.

Oct. 31st TRICK OR TREAT at the LIBRARY! Stop in between 5-7pm for some candy and pick out a FREE BOOK to take home!

Elsa Kittenger's artwork will be on display in our McGlynn Community Room during the month of November.

Nov. 13th at 7 pm **LOCAL AUTHOR Lynn Barry, author of The Swing**, will deliver a talk in the Community Room about her author's journey. From creating her first novel, Puddles, through her twelfth novel The Swing, she will explain her process, her inspiration, and invite those in attendance to try a little free-write to bring out the storyteller in all of us. Come for an evening of creative fun with fiction! The Swing be available to purchase.

Nov. 20th Do you need help with MEDICARE? Drop in anytime between 2:30-6pm for help with renewing your current plan, are looking for a new plan, or just have questions regarding the new changes to Medicare. This is FREE.

MONTHLY PROGRAMS:

Young Writers Group meet twice a month on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month from 6-7pm. This is for tweens and teens, newbies are always welcome!

WIGGLES and GIGGLES Toddler Time with Miss Tonya is for babies and toddlers every Wednesday from 10:30-11:15. Besides reading books, there will be songs, movement, sensory activities, easy crafts, and playtime. This is for babies and toddlers who are on the move! Older siblings are welcome too.

Lil' Bookworms meet every Wed. from 3:30-4:30, this is for children in 1st-5rd grade. Join Miss Tonya as we read together, create crafts, science experiments, escape rooms, make (and eat!), snacks and more!

Story Time with Miss Bonnie takes place every Tuesday at 10:30. Join us for fun stories, snacks and easy crafts!

Beyond Books for Homeschoolers- Every Wednesday from 1:30-2:30. Fun for ALL AGES! Miss Tonya and Miss Sadie will have crafts, STEM activities, cooking crafts, books, seasonal escape rooms, and MORE! This is also a time and place for parents to connect while the kids have FUN.

Tai Chi with Bonnie Leigh every Wednesday at 7pm. This is FREE and everyone is welcome to attend. (Participating children must have an adult with them).

The Allegany County Creative Writers Group meets via Zoom Saturdays from 11am-1pm. This is a fun-loving, congenial group for the purpose of providing a time for other writer types to spend time together. Writers supporting writers! Check out their Facebook page for more details or contact the library.

COOKBOOK CLUB- NEW DAY and TIME! If you like to cook (and EAT!) then please join us on the 4th **Tuesday** of the month at **noon**. We choose a different cookbook each month, everyone picks a recipe to make and bring to our gathering for a potluck dinner. You can even bring a guest! Each month's cookbook is at the circulation desk.

Paint Along with Bob Ross- Join us on the 3rd Friday of each month from 6-8pm. This is FREE, we have all the supplies. Please note that this is not a learn to paint class, we're just painting along with Bob- all skill levels are welcome to join in! (for adults and teens). Space is limited so sign up soon!

Monday Morning Book Club meets the 3rd Monday of every month at 10:30am, check out our website for the title of the book we'll be discussing each month. All are welcome! This is a fun and welcoming group…please feel free to join in at any time!

Our monthly **Library Board Meetings** take place the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 7pm in our Community Room, the public is always welcome to attend.

Community

Saturday, November 15th, 2025
10:00am-2:00pm

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Variety of Crafts -Lunch Available-

Fillmore Central School Middle School Drama Club

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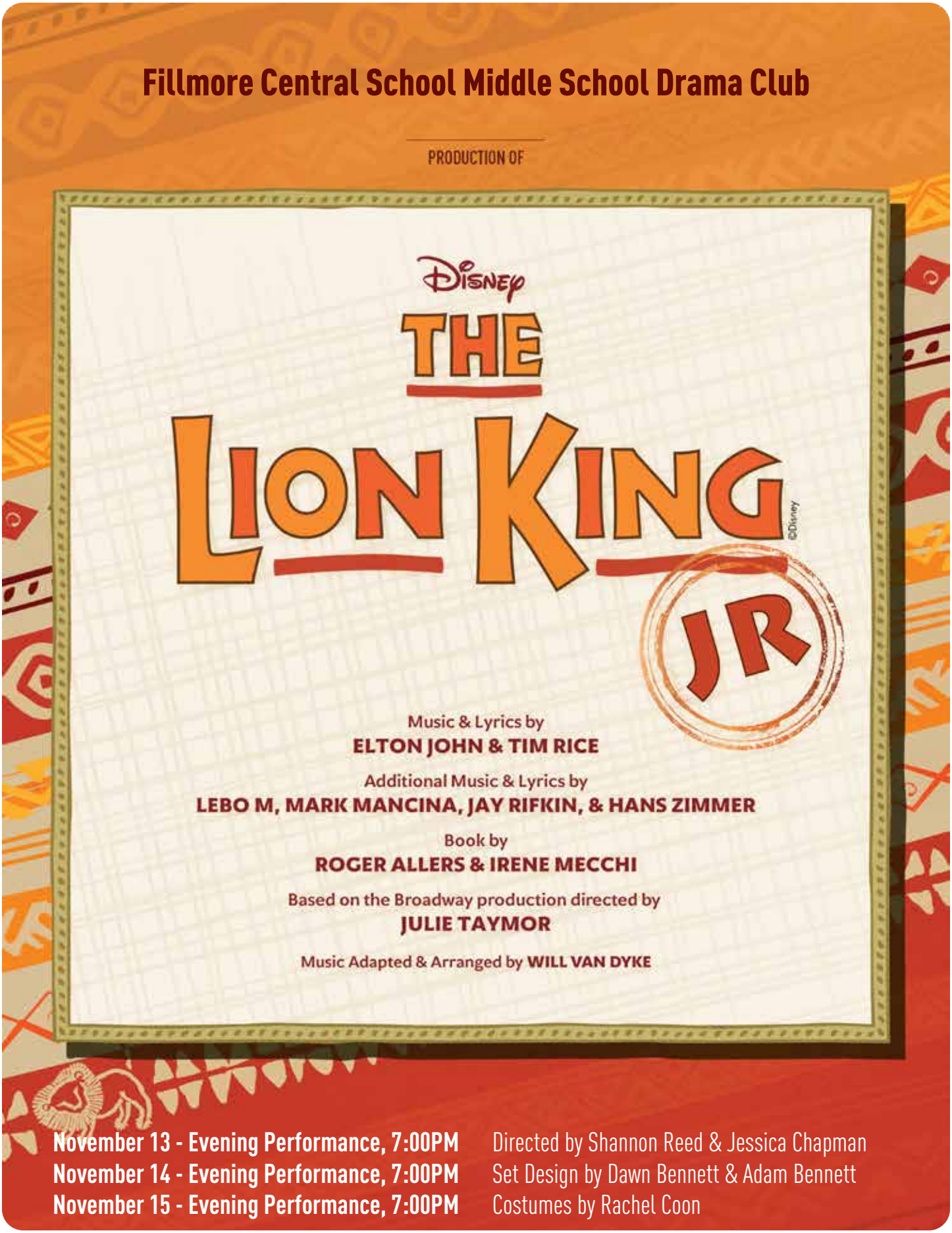

November 13 - Evening Performance, 7:00PM
November 14 - Evening Performance, 7:00PM
November 15 - Evening Performance, 7:00PM

Directed by Shannon Reed & Jessica Chapman
Set Design by Dawn Bennett & Adam Bennett
Costumes by Rachel Coon

FILLMORE
MUSIC DEPARTMENT

NYSSMA Zone 15 2025 Area All-State Acceptances

Congratulations to the following FCS musicians for being accepted into New York State School Music Association Zone 15 2025 Area All-State Ensembles. Each of these students prepared and performed solos last Spring, receiving outstanding scores. They were then nominated by FCS music teachers for these ensembles, which are comprised of the top musicians across five counties and over thirty school districts. Students in grades 7-9 will travel to Genesee Valley CSD November 7-8, 2025 for the NYSSMA Zone 15 2025 Junior High Area All-State Festival, and students in grades 10-12 will travel to Elmira High School November 21-22, 2025 for the NYSSMA Zone 15 Senior High Area All-State Festival.

Junior High Mixed Chorus

Eden Hark, Soprano

Junior High Band

Makaila Radke, Flute
Daniel Howard, Clarinet
Abigail Tanner, Clarinet
Allie Clark, Clarinet
Hannah Keeler, Clarinet
Ezra Schilke, Alto Saxophone
Brad Parmenter, Tenor Saxophone
Grayson Cox, Trumpet
Elliot Wartinger, Trumpet
Lauren Cox, French Horn
Owen Chapman, Trombone
Luke Kettinger, Trombone
Lucas Wright, Trombone
Leo Garrison, Euphonium
Caleb Tucker, Tuba
Bella Tucker, Percussion

Senior High Mixed Chorus

Tori Tetta, Alto
Levi Simanowski, Tenor

Senior High Modern Band

Mya Keeler, Alto

Senior High Band

Eleanor Reitnour, Clarinet
Adalyn Wartinger, Clarinet
Lena Tucker, Clarinet
Indigo Knapp, Clarinet
Evelyn Chapman, Alto Saxophone
Claire Schilke, Alto Saxophone
Elizabeth Phillips, Trumpet
Zoey Clem, Trumpet
Madeleine Rowley, Trumpet
Landon Wright, Tuba
Amelia Pastorius, Percussion
Jenna Rowley, Timpani

FILLMORE MUSIC DEPARTMENT

NYSSMA 2025 Conference All-State Nominations

We are INCREDIBLY proud to announce a record EIGHT nominations for FCS musicians into 2025 NYSSMA Conference All-State Ensembles, as both participants and alternates. Being selected as a participant or alternate for NYSSMA Conference All-State is one of the highest honors that NYS public school musicians can achieve and represents years of hard work, dedication and grit. Thousands of students across NYS audition for these ensembles each Spring and less than 900 are selected to participate in these high-level performing groups.

Two FCS students have been selected to attend NYSSMA Conference All-State for the *second year in a row,* with one being accepted into TWO performing ensembles. (so rare!). Additionally, two students auditioned on *two instruments each, receiving four perfect scores of* 100% *between the two of them,* and were selected as Alternates for their respective instruments.

We are so, so, so proud of these students and commend their commitment to their instrument(s) and to the FCS Music Department!

Pictured Above (L to R):

Jenna Rowley, 12th Grade - Symphonic Band, Timpani
Mya Keeler, 12th Grade - Symphonic Band, French Horn AND Mixed Chorus, Alto 2
Levi Simanowski, 11th Grade - Alternate, Mixed Chorus, Tenor 2
Claire Schilke, 11th Grade - Alternate, Symphonic Band, Alto Saxophone AND Baritone Saxophone
Evelyn Chapman, 11th Grade - Alternate, Symphonic Band, Alto Saxophone AND Baritone Saxophone

2025-2026

FILLMORE MUSIC BOOSTER CLUB

Do you have a child involved in the FCS Music Department? Can you volunteer your time/efforts once or twice throughout the year to help continue to provide our students with the amazing opportunities they have in music and theatre at FCS?

Scholarships for Private Lessons

Live Performances

Scholarships for Summer Studies

Arts Field Trips

Honors Performance Opportunities

New Instruments

Masterclasses

WE NEED YOU!

Email us to find out how you can help!
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FILLMORE MUSIC DEPARTMENT

CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2025–2026

September 2025	FCS Middle School Drama Club Fall Mum Fundraiser
October 2025	2025 FCS Music Department Cookie Dough Fundraiser
Fri/Sat – November 7-8, 2025	NYSSMA Zone 15 Junior High Area All-State Festival @GVCS
Thurs/Fri/Sat – November 13-15, 2025	FCS Middle School Musical
Fri/Sat – November 22-23, 2025	NYSSMA Zone 15 Senior High Area All-State @ Elmira HS
November 2025	FCS Music Department Jockey Street Coffee Fundraiser
Thurs/Fri/Sat/Sun – Dec. 4-7, 2025	NYSSMA Conference All-State Festival @Rochester, NY
Tuesday – December 9, 2025	FCS Grades 9-12 Holiday Concert 7PM
Thursday – December 11, 2025	FCS Grades 5-8 Holiday Concert 7PM
Tuesday – December 16, 2025	FCS Grades PK-4 Holiday Program 6:30PM
Fri/Sat – January 16-17, 2026	ACSMA All-County Festival #1 @CRCS
January-February 2026	FCS High School Drama Club Chocolate Pretzel Fundraiser
Fri/Sat – February 6-7, 2026	ACSMA Solo Festival @FCS
February 2026	FCS Music Boosters Strawberry Fundraiser
Fri/Sat – March 6-7, 2026	ACSMA All-County Festival #2 @ Houghton University
Fri/Sat – March 20-21, 2026	ACSMA All-County Festival #3 @ Alfred University
Wed-Sat – March 25-28, 2026	FCS High School Musical
Fri/Sat – May 8-9, 2026	NYSSMA Solo Festival @ FCS
Friday – May 15, 2026	FCS Elementary Musical @7PM
Monday – May 25, 2026	FCS Bands Memorial Day Parade 10:30AM
Wednesday – May 27, 2026	FCS Grades 9-12 Spring Concert 7PM
Wednesday – May 28, 2026	FCS Grades 4-8 Spring Concert 7PM
Tuesday – June 2, 2026	FCS Instrumental Music Recital 7PM
Tuesday – June 9, 2026	FCS Eagle Revue 7PM
Friday – June 12, 2026	FCS Grades 3PK-6 Patriotic Program 8:45AM
Saturday – June 13, 2026	FCS Annual Grades 5-8 Music Department Amusement Park Trip
Saturday – June 20, 2026	Annual Senior High Music Department Trip

BOE NEWS & NOTES

Even if the title above declares it is fall, it sure feels like mid-summer in early October! Hopefully, our FCS community has had opportunities to take advantage of the beautiful weather as the white stuff will be here soon. It's a great time of the year to see our students and staff back at school and fully engaged in learning, extracurriculars, and enjoying each other daily.

Our team of administrators, support staff, and teachers are excited as the capital project seems to be winding down. The patience and understanding shown by the FCS community, both inside and outside the school, has been wonderful. The challenges of a project this large are significant, and the collaboration shown by so many has proven FCS really does know teamwork.

We hope this newsletter will be published prior to our annual fall Open House on October 16. Our BOE encourages our community to come visit the school at Open House and see some of the new areas that have been purposefully planned to benefit all FCS students in some unique ways. At Open House, there will be school employees and/or students available to provide tours, talk about the new spaces, all while providing a welcoming environment to our beautiful facilities.

Have a great fall and we look forward to seeing you around our school!

-Matt Hopkins
FCS Board of Education

2026 FCS GRAD NIGHT

Each year the families of the graduating class raise funds to host **FCS Grad Night**, a fun, safe, all-nighter for graduates held at the school on the night of graduation. **Class of 2026 Grad Night** has created a fund at **Fillmore Redemption Center**. When you drop off cans and bottles, please let them know that you would like to donate to the **Class of 2026 Grad Night** and they will credit the amount to this fund. Donations will be accepted now through May 2026. Thanks for helping to support our graduating seniors!

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