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# Robert J. McGarvey Elementary

Where responsible Griffins S.O.A.R!  
Safe - Open Minded - Accountable - Resilient

## Weekly Newsletter

2025-26 School Year

Week 26

January 30, 2026

### Principal's Corner

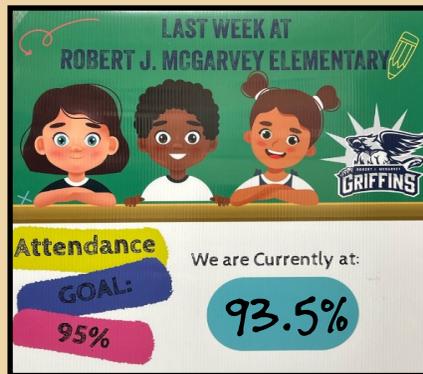
**WALK & ROLL TO SCHOOL** Thanks to all our kids & families who took part in our Walk & Roll to School day! The donuts were delish! Thanks to 50 Corridor TMA for your partnership :)

♥ Dr. Mitchell

### ATTENDANCE MATTERS

Let's help every Griffin S.O.A.R. high — one school day at a time!

Our goal is 95% attendance. Here's how we did last week:



### Griffin Basketball

It was a tough week in Giffin Basketball last week :(



**Better luck this week!**

BLUE team @ home vs. Butler on Tues. WHITE team @ CRES on Tuesday. Girls @ West on Wednesday.

### TRACK-CHANGE DAY

Good Bye D Track!

Friday, February 6

MINIMUM DAY

DISMISSAL @ 1:35

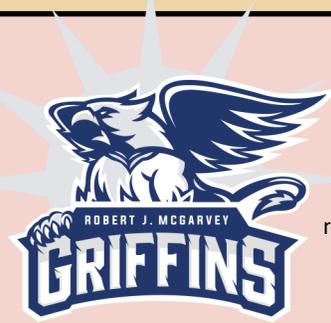
ALL K & TK

Attend 9:05-12:36

### NO SCHOOL

Monday, Feb. 9

Lincoln's Birthday



### Safe Griffins!

This week, these students were recognized by their teachers.

**Congrats!**

*We all belong all the time.*

#### Transitional Kindergarten

Cayden  
Carter

#### Kindergarten

Ollie  
Veena  
Sargun  
Mason  
Autumn

#### 1st Grade

Marcus  
Gavin  
KahMirah  
Amelia

#### 2nd Grade

Izabella  
Aitani  
Emmie

#### 3rd Grade

Jacob  
Emily  
Santiago  
Christian  
Julia  
Jocelyn

#### 4th Grade

Azlan  
Jaden  
Amelia  
Grace  
Olivia H.

#### 5th Grade

Taylor  
Chloe

#### 6th Grade

Devonte  
Leila  
Riley

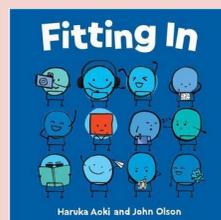


### The McGarvey Way

A KINDNESS CAMPAIGN:

BELONGING

We all 'bee-long'!



Click the book cover for a link to a read aloud on YouTube.

**Griffin's Big Question**  
What choices can you make if you feel like you don't belong?

Our S.O.A.R. trait next week is **Open-Minded.**

*People show they belong at McGarvey in different ways.*

"Friends come in all shapes, sizes, and colors."  
- Unknown

### School Accountability Report Card Available

The current School Accountability Report Card (SARC) is available online at the Elk Grove Unified School District website at <https://www.egusd.net/District/Academics/Assessments/School-Accountability-Report-Cards/index.html>. Both a long detailed format and a short executive summary are posted for parents to learn more about the schools in our community.

Each school's SARC summarizes the school's mission, goals, accomplishments, and highlights the school's unique programs. In addition, state law requires that the SARC contain all of the following: demographic data, school safety and climate for learning information, academic data, school completion rates, class sizes, teacher and staff information, curriculum and instruction descriptions, postsecondary preparation information, fiscal and expenditure data.

The federal law requires that SARCs contain reports concerning the "adequate yearly progress" of students in achieving state academic achievement standards; Title I Program Improvement status; graduation rates at the secondary level; and the extent to which "highly qualified" teachers are teaching core academic subjects.

A hard copy of these reports can be requested by visiting your child's school office. Additionally, these reports have been translated into Spanish at schools with large populations of families who speak these languages.

Any questions regarding the SARCs can be directed to the school principal at 916-793-3400 or by contacting Learning Support Services at 916-686-7712.

## ATTENTION PM TK/K CLASSES

Thursday dismissal is at 2:55 (Grades 1-6 dismiss at 2:45).  
Please don't interrupt classes.



# HEART GRAMS



**\$1**

**ON SALE JANUARY 21ST, 2026**

Want to sprinkle your student, or their buddies or teachers, or staff members with a little ♥? Grab a \$1 Heart Gram to show them they're **beary** special! The PFO will deliver these cute Heart Grams for **D Track** on Feb 6th and on Feb 13th for **A, B, & C Tracks** straight to their classrooms.

**Deadline to purchase online is Feb 4<sup>th</sup> 5pm for D track and Feb 11<sup>th</sup> 5pm for A,B and C Tracks**



This is not an EGUSD sponsored program and EGUSD does not accept liability or responsibility for this activity or program\*

## Important Dates

### February

- 2 - 3:45 Boys Basketball Practice
- 2 - 5:00 Girls Basketball Practice
- 3 - Earthquake Drill
- 3 - 3:35 Boys BLUE Team Basketball Game vs. Butler @ home
- 3 - 5:00 Girls Basketball Practice
- 3 - 5:30 School Site Council (rescheduled)
- 4 - 2:50 1st Grade 'Celebrate America' Performance (A/D)
- 4 - Albani Middle School visits 6th Grade Classes (A/D)
- 4 - 6:00 7th Grade Orientation for Albani Middle School (B & C Tracks)
- 5 - 3:30 Boys WHITE Team Basketball Game vs. Kennedy @ home
- 5 - 5:00 Girls Basketball Game @ West
- 6 - 10:00 D Track Awards
- 6 - 3:45 Boys Basketball Open Gym
- 6 - 5:00 Girls Basketball Practice
- 6 - Griffin Gala and Griffin Store
- 6 - Track Change Day (D goes off) (Minimum Day)
- 9 - Lincoln's Birthday—NO SCHOOL
- 10 - C Track Returns
- 10 - 4:00 Boys BLUE Team Basketball Game @ Ehrhardt
- 10 - 5:00 Girls Basketball Practice
- 11 - 4:00 Girls Basketball Game @ Ehrhardt
- 12 - 4:00 Boys WHITE Team Basketball Game @ McKee
- 13 - 3:45 Boys Basketball Practice
- 13 - 5:00 Girls Basketball Practice
- 16 - President's Day—NO SCHOOL
- 17 - A & B Track Teacher Appreciation Day
- 17 - 4:00 Boys BLUE Team Basketball Game @ Butler
- 17 - 5:00 Girls Basketball Practice
- 18 - 4:00 Girls Basketball Game @ Tsukamoto
- 19 - 9:30 Donuts with the Principal
- 19 - 3:30 Boys WHITE Team Basketball Game @ home vs. Case
- 19 - 6:30 PFO Meeting (zoom)
- 20 - 3:45 Boys Basketball Open Gym
- 20 - 5:00 Girls Basketball Practice
- 23 - Fire Drill
- 23 - 3:45 Boys Basketball Practice
- 25 - 5:00 Girls Basketball Game @ Beitzel
- 25 - 4:00-9:00 Dine Out Day @ Habit
- 26 - 5:30 PGHS 3rd Annual Night at the Nest
- 27 - Walk & Roll to School!
- 27 - 5:00 Girls Basketball Practice

# FEEL-GOOD FOOD FOR A CAUSE



## JOIN HABIT BURGER & GRILL IN SUPPORT OF ROBERT MCGARVEY ELEMENTARY PFO

**WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 25 | 4-9PM**

Enter code **GIVEBACK** when placing your order at the in-restaurant kiosk, the Habit Burger & Grill Mobile app, or habitburger.com.

Or, simply present this printed flyer or show this offer on your smart phone to the cashier upon ordering. Habit Burger & Grill will donate **20% OF NET SALES** from this event to benefit your organization.



3161 Zinfandel Dr Ste 9  
Rancho Cordova, CA 95670



\*For Habit Team Member only

Net sales do not include sales tax, gift card purchases, or tips. Orders placed on third party websites or apps are not eligible for this Fundraiser.

## New school hours for 2026-27

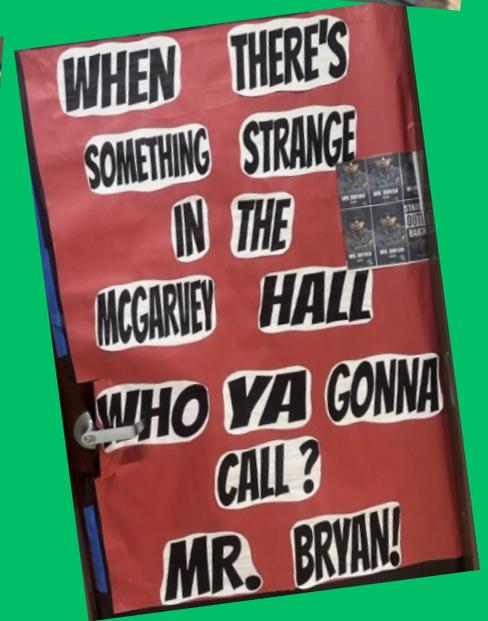
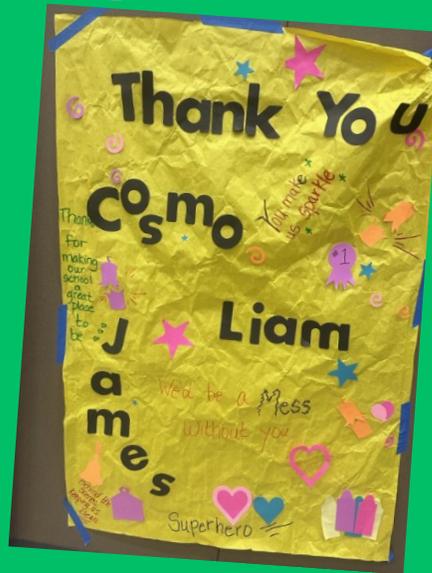
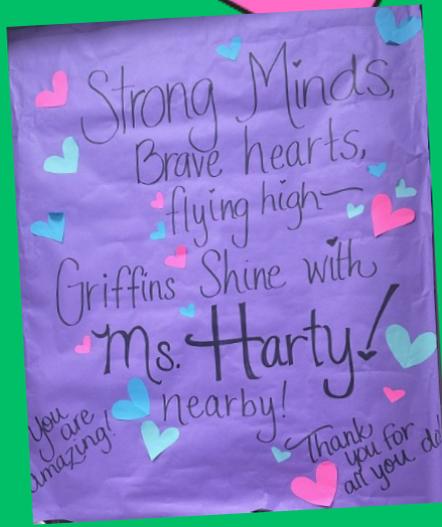
**8:40-3:10**

Thursdays, early out @ 2:20 PM  
Grades 1-6

AM TK & K is 8:40-12:11  
PM TK & K is 11:29-3:10

# Support Staff Appreciation Day

Yard Duty  
 Para Educators  
 Speech Therapists  
 Campus Security Supervisor  
 Custodial Staff  
 Kitchen Staff  
 Counselors  
 Behavioral Staff



Thank you, PFO, for recognizing the hard work that goes on behind the scenes to make McGarvey GREAT! We loved our Panda Lunch!

## Cold & Flu Season

As the winter season continues, we want to share a few gentle reminders to support the health and well-being of our community. Everyday habits like **regular handwashing**, **covering coughs and sneezes**, **staying hydrated**, **getting plenty of rest**, and **staying home when feeling unwell** all help keep our families and schools healthy. We appreciate your partnership in keeping our community well.



## Walk & Roll To School!



We do it again on Feb. 27!



Support our fundraiser with Boba & Bites!

10% of sales will be donated to the McGarvey PFO

Their food truck will be in front of Robert McGarvey Elementary School  
 4350 Sophistry Drive Rancho Cordova, CA 95742

Thursday, March 19, 2026  
 2 pm - 8 pm

## Motorized Bicycle or Moped



### California Vehicle Code (CVC) Definition

#### CVC 406 (a)

- Two or three wheels
- Fully operative pedals or no pedals if it has an electric motor
- Maximum speed of 30 mph

#### RIDER REQUIREMENTS

<b>License</b>	Driver's license with an M1 or M2 endorsement
<b>Helmet</b>	DOT compliant helmet required for all ages
<b>Where</b>	May ride on public and private roads Not allowed on sidewalks or trails
<b>Other Info</b>	Must be registered with the DMV and have adequate vehicle insurance

#### POSSIBLE PENALTIES

1. 12500(a) VC Citation - Driving without a license and tow with 30-day impound
2. Right of way violation

## Motorized E-Scooter



### California Vehicle Code (CVC) Definition

#### CVC 407.5

- Two wheels with a motor, handlebars, and a floorboard for standing on when riding
- May have a driver seat that does not interfere with the ability to stand and ride

#### RIDER REQUIREMENTS

<b>License</b>	Driver's license or instruction permit required
<b>Helmet</b>	Bicycle helmet if under 18 CVC 21212
<b>Where</b>	May ride wherever traditional bicycles may ride - No riding on sidewalks CVC 21200
<b>Other Info</b>	Not to exceed 15 mph CVC 22411

#### POSSIBLE PENALTIES

1. 12500(a) VC Citation - Driving without a license and tow with 30-day impound
2. Helmet citation
3. Right of way violation

# Rules of the Road E-Scooters & E-Bikes



CITY OF ELK GROVE POLICE DEPARTMENT  
8400 Laguna Palms Way  
Elk Grove, CA 95758

(916) 478-8110

[elkgrove.gov/police](http://elkgrove.gov/police)

Starting this week, EGUSD and local law enforcement will begin a coordinated two-pronged initiative aimed at reducing e-bike and scooter collisions and preventing serious injuries. The first phase will consist of a 30-day education campaign across various platforms. The enforcement phase will follow. Officers will conduct zero-tolerance enforcement in and around school areas and will take enforcement action when illegal or unsafe operation of e-bikes or scooters is observed. Please review these flyers and make sure your family is complying with these important safety laws.

## Off-Highway Motorcycle (Dirtbike)



### California Vehicle Code (CVC) Definition

#### CVC 436

- A motorcycle for use exclusively off the highway
- Electric and/or gas powered

#### RIDER REQUIREMENTS

<b>License</b>	None - This type of motorcycle is NOT street legal.
<b>Helmet</b>	DOT compliant helmet required
<b>Where</b>	Can only ride at off-highway vehicle parks (such as Carnegie) or on private property May not ride on any public road, sidewalk, trail, or park.
<b>Other Info</b>	Must be registered with the DMV and have adequate vehicle insurance

#### POSSIBLE PENALTIES

1. 12500(a) VC Citation - Driving without a license and tow with 30-day impound

## Class 1 & Class 2 E-Bike



### California Vehicle Code (CVC) Definition

#### CVC 312.5

A pedal or throttle-assisted electric bicycle equipped with a motor that assists only up to a speed of 20 mph

#### RIDER REQUIREMENTS

<b>License</b>	None
<b>Helmet</b>	Bicycle helmet if under 18 CVC 21212
<b>Where</b>	May ride wherever traditional bicycles may ride CVC 21200
<b>Other Info</b>	No minimum age requirement to ride

#### POSSIBLE PENALTIES

1. Helmet Citation, if applicable
2. Right of way citation, if ridden improperly.

## Class 3 E-Bike



### California Vehicle Code (CVC) Definition

#### CVC 312.5

A low-speed pedal-assisted electric bicycle equipped with a speedometer, and a motor that provides assistance only when the rider is pedaling and ceases to assist when a speed of 28 mph is reached

#### RIDER REQUIREMENTS

<b>License</b>	None
<b>Helmet</b>	Bicycle helmet required regardless of age CVC 21213(a)
<b>Where</b>	May ride wherever traditional bicycles may ride CVC 21200
<b>Other Info</b>	Must be 16 years or older to ride

#### POSSIBLE PENALTIES

1. Helmet Citation, if applicable
2. Right of way citation, if ridden improperly.

ELK GROVE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT  
**NOTICE TO PARENTS**

**KINDERGARTEN**  
&  
**TRANSITIONAL**  
**KINDERGARTEN**

**If your child turns 4\* years old  
on or before September 1, 2026**

**you may register them for the  
2026-2027 school year**

**New Student Enrollment Packets  
available at the school office  
or online at [EGUSD.net](http://EGUSD.net) starting on:**

**January 20, 2026  
7:30AM**

**If you have questions about the  
Registration Process please ask your school office staff.**

Transitional Kindergarten Eligible - Child turns 4 years old on or before  
September 1, 2026

Kindergarten Eligible- Child turns 5 years old on or before  
September 1, 2026

**School Site Council Meeting**

Our next meeting was re-scheduled for **Tuesday  
2/3 at 5:30** via zoom.

Agenda:

- Review and approve 2nd Fall Meeting minutes
- Review of SARC
- Update on implementation of Actions & Services:  
Goals 1-4
- Site LCAP Evaluation
- Input on Use of Funds for 2025-26

[Zoom Meeting Link](#)

Meeting ID:  
851 7303 9983  
Passcode: 030465

**REGISTER NOW!**  
**TK & Kindergarten**  
**for '26-'27**

**TK Age Eligibility:** Child turns 4 on or  
before 9/1/26.

**Kinder Age Eligibility:** Child turns 5  
on or before 9/1/26.

Please come into the office to pick up  
a registration packet and return it (and  
all the supporting documentation) by  
3:30 on 2/20/26. Placements will be  
made randomly by computer so all  
families have an equal opportunity for  
their track preference. Children  
registered after 2/20/26 will be placed  
where space is available.

**YEARBOOK COVER  
CONTEST**  
**25-26**

**Attention McGarvey students!** You are invited to create & submit 1 (one)  
page of your original artwork for the 25-26 yearbook covers!

- All submissions on a standard 8.5x11 piece of paper, no pencil drawings
- Artwork must be vertical & fill up the page as much as possible
- School name & current school year must be neatly displayed on page
- All work completed by McGarvey student only (write full name on back)

*Can't wait to see your creative & colorful masterpieces! Have fun!*

*Deliver your finished creations to Ms. Kristy by: **FEB. 20th***



# 4th Grade Fun in Coloma!

## FOOD DISTRIBUTION

Vintage Park: Elk Grove USD and Sacramento Food Bank & Family Services is providing **FREE** food to qualifying community members!

### Where?

Calvine High School  
8333 Vintage Park Dr,  
Sacramento CA 95828



### When?

1st and 3rd Thursdays  
of the Month from 3:45-5:15

### Who?

Check the eligibility guidelines here.

HOUSEHOLD SIZE TAMAÑO DEL HOGAR	MONTHLY HOUSEHOLD INCOME INGRESOS MENSUALES DEL HOGAR	ANNUAL HOUSEHOLD INCOME INGRESOS ANUALES DEL HOGAR
1	\$3,084.78	\$36,717.00
2	\$4,141.88	\$49,702.00
3	\$5,218.96	\$62,627.00
4	\$6,296.04	\$75,552.00
5	\$7,373.13	\$88,477.00
6	\$8,450.21	\$101,402.00
7	\$9,527.29	\$114,327.00
8	\$10,604.38	\$127,252.00
Over 8 Más de 8 personas	Add \$1,077.00 each Añada \$1,077.00 por cada persona	Add \$12,826.00 each Añada \$12,826.00 por cada persona

WHAT TYPE OF GROCERIES ARE AVAILABLE? CHOOSE FROM A VARIETY OF FOODS SUCH AS FRESH PRODUCE, GRAINS, PROTEIN, DAIRY, NON-PERISHABLES AND READY TO EAT FOODS.

How and When to Sign up?  
Visit food distribution:

- ~~December 4<sup>th</sup> 3:45 - 5:15~~
- ~~December 18<sup>th</sup> 3:45 - 5:15~~
- ~~January 8<sup>th</sup> 3:45 - 5:15~~
- ~~January 22<sup>nd</sup> 3:45 - 5:15~~
- February 5<sup>th</sup> 3:45 - 5:15
- February 19<sup>th</sup> 3:45 - 5:15
- March 5<sup>th</sup> 3:45 - 5:15
- April 2<sup>nd</sup> 3:45 - 5:15
- April 16<sup>th</sup> 3:45 - 5:15
- May 7<sup>th</sup> 3:45 - 5:15
- May 21<sup>st</sup> 3:45 - 5:15

This institution is an equal opportunity provider.

Bring bags or a cart for easier choosing and carrying

Bring an ID for easier registration



# SCOE TEACHER RESIDENCY PROGRAM



## APPLICATIONS NOW OPEN

**APPLY NOW!**

Earn your Preliminary Teaching credential while in a full-year student teaching placement under a Mentor Teacher!

### FOR MORE INFO:

Visit our website: <https://www.scoeresidency.net/>  
or email Christine Louen at [clouen@scoe.net](mailto:clouen@scoe.net)

- \$34,000 minimum living stipend provided by grant funds
  - Minimum \$500/mo stipend provided by District or hired as a para/IA in classroom
  - Cohort model to enhance collaboration and support
  - Comprehensive college coursework and professional learning opportunities
- ### Credential Pathways
- Multiple Subject focused on Transitional Kindergarten
  - Education Specialist: Mild to Moderate Support Needs
  - Educational Specialist: Extensive Support Needs
- ### Requirements for Program:
- Bachelors degree
  - Certificate of Clearance
  - U.S. Constitution Course/Exam
  - CSETs complete by April 15



SCHOOL OF EDUCATION TEACHER RESIDENCY PROGRAM,  
IN PARTNERSHIP BETWEEN SCOE, SACRAMENTO DISTRICTS  
AND CHARTER SCHOOLS, AND TEACHERS COLLEGE OF SAN JOAQUIN



7TH ANNUAL RANCHO CORDOVA

## STUDENT ART SHOW



# ART

Art Reception

April 17 | 5:30-7:30 pm.

## APRIL 9 - 25



This show exhibits hundreds of works by students TK-12 Grade who go to school or live in Rancho Cordova. All art is submitted through their teacher and school. We are inspiring the next generation of artist at the MACC.



# 2026 BLACK FAMILY CONFERENCE

THE ELK GROVE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT, Department of Family and Community Engagement, Families of Black Students United (FBSU) Affinity Space, and the Doctorate in Education Programs at CSUS and Morgan State are proud to convene the 2026 Annual Black Family Conference.

This engaging, free event will offer a variety of workshops tailored to PreK-12th Grade students, their families, caregivers, and community members.

Everyone is welcome to attend and contribute to this empowering day of learning, connection and celebration. Don't miss this opportunity to strengthen bonds, uplift ourselves and our communities.

Together, let's embrace the power of restoration, the necessity of resistance, and the beauty of renewal. We look forward to seeing you there!

OUR THEME THIS YEAR IS  
**“ Rest, Resist, Reset: Celebrating Strength, Joy and Resilience. ”**

### KEYNOTE SPEAKER: — Zetha Nobles —

- Director of Equity, Access and Achievement in New Haven Unified School District
- Chief Strategist of Nobles Global Consulting
- Founder of Global Peace Leadership Academy
- Managing Director of Iwalore Ranch River Retreat

### CONFERENCE TOPICS

- ✓ Wealth building
- ✓ Empowering Youth
- ✓ Family Relationships
- ✓ Health and Wellness
- ✓ And Much More

### CONTACT INFORMATION

- ☎ (916) 831-5551
- ✉ kawilson@egusd.net

#### LOCATION

### MONTEREY TRAIL HIGH SCHOOL

Multi Purpose Room  
8661 Power Inn Road  
Elk Grove, CA 95624

March 7, 2026  
8:30 AM – 2:30 PM

#### EVENT SPONSORS



#### REGISTRATION



Scan QR Code Register Now

## Griffins Help Griffins Walk and Bike to School!

Walking and biking to school helps students stay healthy, learn better, and breathe cleaner air!

We need student and parent volunteers to scan our students in the Active4Me program on Wednesday mornings from 8:45am-9:00am.

[Sign up here!](#) Questions? Contact Erin Seymour at [erin66@gmail.com](mailto:erin66@gmail.com) or (916) 792-7462.



50 Corridor TMA

# Unite, Embrace, Soar:

The EGUSD FACE Department is offering an LGBTQ+ affinity group! It is a space for adult caregivers and adult family members of LGBTQ+ youth to gather in community, share joys, and build a supportive network.

September 18th 6:00 - 7:00pm on zoom  
 November 5th 6:00 - 7:00pm on zoom  
 February 11th 6:00 - 7:00pm on zoom



Elk Grove Unified School District

[Click Here for More Information](#)

Megan Sladen Parent  
[msladenp@egusd.net](mailto:msladenp@egusd.net)

## E.G.U.S.D. Community Block Party

Student Performances & Information Booths

FREE Food & Drinks (while supplies last)

Door Prizes

Kid Friendly Activities



SCAN ME



[CLICK HERE](#)

[REGISTER NOW](#)

Thursday April 30, 2026  
 4:00 pm - 7:00 pm  
 Elk Grove Shopping Center  
 9418 Elk Grove-Florin Road



## Family and Staff WELLNESS SERIES

Register on Eventbrite Using the QR Codes or links

2/12/26



#### Bots & Boundaries: A Family Guide to Responsible AI Use

Explore what digital citizenship looks like in an AI-driven world. Together, we'll unpack topics like bias, safety, and privacy, and share strategies encouraging authentic learning while avoiding over-reliance on technology. You'll leave with practical conversation starters, and resources to set healthy boundaries, build critical thinking skills, and create a balanced approach to AI use at home.

3/31/26



4/15/26



#### Belonging Starts with Us: Supporting Transgender and Gender Expansive Youth

Let's learn how to better support transgender and gender-expansive youth in school and at home. Gain a clearer understanding of gender identity, learn practical ways to create affirming environments, and explore strategies for responding with care, respect, and confidence. Through shared language, real-life examples, and actionable tips, we will strengthen partnership, belonging, and well-being for all students.

#### Boundaries, Expectations and Connection

Come explore the vital connection between clear boundaries, consistent expectations, and effective discipline. Gain tools to improve communication, foster accountability, and support positive behavior while strengthening adult-child relationships. Learn practical strategies to create safe, respectful environments where children can thrive—both in the classroom and at home.



EGUSD FAMILY RESOURCES

