



Robert J. McGarvey Elementary

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

Weekly Newsletter

2025-26 School Year

Week 39
May 1, 2026

Principal's Corner

Spring-a-Palooza is just 2 weeks away!! Mark your family's calendar for our PFO's spring carnival - **Spring-a-Palooza on Friday May 15!** This is not a 'walk around and leave early' kind of night. It's a stay, play, and make memories kind of night. Special early-bird pricing for admission wristbands. Prices go up on May 4th and up again at the door. Get your wristbands now!

What an amazing week this was! Thank you for attending Open House to celebrate your students, and supporting our PFO with your generous participation in our silent auction.

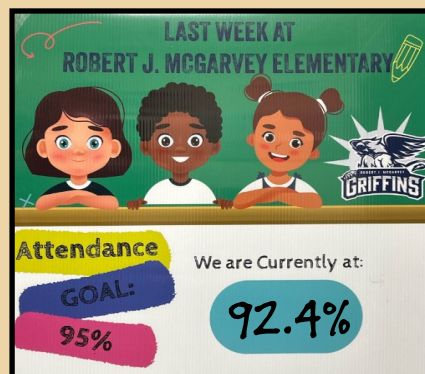
If your family is heading to the brand-new **Cypress Grove Elementary School** next year, hopefully you got to meet up with their PFO at Open House! Click [here](#) to find out how you can get involved right away at your new school!

Our annual **Bike Repair Day & Community Bike Ride** were big hits. **Sacramento Area Bicycle Advocates** and **50 Corridor TMA** joined together to tune up over 80 bikes and lead more than 100 riders from McGarvey to **Jamba Juice** and **Dutch Bros** for sweet treats! Thanks for coming out with us!
♥ 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:



Volleyball Team!

Monday 5/4 @ 4:00
vs Batey @ home

Tuesday 5/5 @ 3:45
vs Fite @ home

Thursday 5/7 @ 4:00
@ Dillard



Good Luck, Griffins!



Open Minded Griffins!

This week, these students were recognized by their teachers.

Congrats!

I love learning about what makes other people special.

Transitional Kindergarten

Joaquin
Jameson
Jayden

Kindergarten

Sam
Marlon
Zia

1st Grade

Elisa
Emery
Teagan
Nolan

2nd Grade

Nia
Qenton
Addie
Colton

3rd Grade

Camila
Bastian
Ethan
Moriah
Abby

4th Grade

Matthias
Evan
Chanelle
Madison

5th Grade

Dylan
Nazary
Lucas

6th Grade

JoJo
Sadaat
Lucas



REMEMBER!!

**MONDAY, May 4 is a
MINIMUM DAY**

Good Bye C Track!

DISMISSAL @ 1:35

ALL K & TK Attend 9:05-12:36

**Have you completed
the parent
perspectives survey
yet?**

WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!

[CLICK HERE!](#)

The McGarvey Way

A KINDNESS CAMPAIGN:
BE ACCEPTING!



Acceptance



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

Griffin's Big Question
How do you feel when you try something new that doesn't go the way you planned?

Our S.O.A.R. trait next week is
Accountable.

I forgive myself when I make a mistake.

"Forgive yourself for not knowing what you didn't know before you learned it."
- Maya Angelou

PROMOTION

is just around the corner!

Here's the schedule:

Thurs 5/28/26
9:20 - 6D
10:30 - KD

Tues 6/23/26
9:30 - KC

Mon 6/22/26
9:30 - KA
10:20 - KB

Thurs 6/25/26
9:30 - 6C
10:15 - 6B
11:15 - 6A

RAISE SOME DOUGH

Help support us!

20% of sales will benefit
**ROBERT J MCGARVEY
ELEMENTARY PARENT
FACULTY ORGANIZATION**

May 14, 2026
7:00 am to 9:00 pm
3289 Zinfandel Dr
Rancho Cordova, CA

In Cafe Drive-Thru
Pick-Up Delivery

Enter promo code FUND4U at online checkout.

**Panera
FUNDRAISING**



Show flyer or enter promo code
FUND4U at online checkout.

4350 Sophistry Dr., Rancho Cordova CA 95742 (916) 793-3400

McGarvey PFO Presents

SPRING-A-PALOOZA

TICKETS ON SALE NOW!

Don't wait, buy your tickets now!

Seedling Special 4/23-5/3 \$10 a wristband

Full Bloom Special 5/4-5/13 \$15 a wristband

Butterfly Special 5/15 \$20 a wristband @the door

Attractions include:

Food Trucks, Bouncy Houses
Games, Face Painting, Balloon Art,
Cake Walk, 360 photo booth
Dunk Tank, Music and more!

Our Spring Carnival is for our everyone in the community to enjoy! Please bring family and friends and invite friends from our neighboring schools and community organizations! Have questions? Please visit our Ticket website for our FAQs page!



Friday
May 15th, 2026
5:00 PM - 8:30 PM



SCAN
TO
BUY NOW

CONTACT

president@rjmepfo.org

THIS IS NOT AN EGUSD SPONSORED PROGRAM AND EGUSD DOES NOT ACCEPT LIABILITY OR RESPONSIBILITY FOR THIS ACTIVITY OR PROGRAM

Important Dates

May

4 (Mon) - Griffin Gala and Griffin Store

4 (Mon) - Track Change Day (C goes off) (Min. Day)

4 - 9:30-10:30 C Track Spring Brunch!

7 - PBIS Meeting

11-22 D Track CAASPP

Testing Window

(Grades 3-6)

14 - 6:30 PFO Meeting

(Zoom)

14 - PFO Dinner Night Out

@ Panera!

15 - SPRING CARNIVAL!

19 - Office Staff

Appreciation Day

20 - 5:00 Spring Band Concert

21 - PBIS Meeting

21 - 9:15 Donuts with the Principal

25 - Memorial Day—NO SCHOOL

26 - 10:00 D Track Awards (Gr 4-5)

26 - D Track Pop Up Day

26 - 2:00 2026 McGarvey Alumni High School Graduation Walk!

28 - 8:00 Safety Committee

28 - 9:20 D Track 6th Grade Promotion

28 - 10:30 D Track Kindergarten Promotion

28 - 5:30 School Site Council Meeting

29 - Griffin Gala and Griffin Store

29 - Track Change Day (D Last Day of School) (Min. Day)

PFO Meeting ZOOM

ID: 863 2227 8068

Tues. 5/14
@ 6:30

[LINK](#)

June

5-12 - ABC Tracks CAASPP Testing Window (Grades 3-6)

10 - 6:00 PFO Skate Night at The Rink

19 - Juneteenth—NO SCHOOL

22 - Kindergarten Promotion

- 9:30 A Track

- 10:20 B Track

23 - 9:30 C Track Kindergarten Promotion

24 - 9:30 A Track Awards (Gr 4-5)

24 - 10:20 BC Tracks Awards (Gr 4-5)

25 - 6th Grade Promotion

- 9:30 C Track

- 10:15 B Track

- 11:15 A Track

25 - Schoolwide Picnic Lunch!

26 - ABC Last Day of School (minimum day)

LOST & FOUND Come get your stuff!
Everything gets donated on Monday!

2025-26 EGUSD PARENT PERSPECTIVE SURVEY

Visit:

egsurvey.net



Please scan the QR code with your smartphone camera or use the URL to access the survey

Escanear el código QR para tomar la encuesta

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請使用智能手機的相機掃描二維碼(QR)或使用 URL 存取調查。

Please take this survey to help us continue to make our schools and district the best place for our students to become college, career and life ready.

Por favor complete esta encuesta para ayudarnos a continuar trabajando en hacer nuestra escuela y distrito escolar el mejor lugar para que nuestros estudiantes se preparen para la universidad, sus carreras, y para la vida.

Vui lòng tham gia khảo sát này để giúp chúng tôi tiếp tục làm cho trường và học khu của chúng ta trở thành nơi tốt nhất cho học sinh sẵn sàng vào đại học, sự nghiệp và cuộc sống.

請參與這項調查，幫助我們繼續使我們的學校和學區成為學生為大學、職業和生活做好準備的最佳場所。

YOUR INPUT IS VERY IMPORTANT TO US!

¡SUS APORTES SON IMPORTANTÍSIMOS PARA NOSOTROS!

Ý KIẾN CỦA QUÍ VỊ RẤT QUAN TRỌNG VỚI CHÚNG TÔI

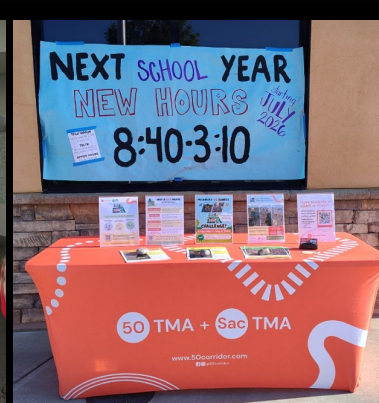
您的意見對我們是非常重要的!

Heading to Cypress Grove next year?

JOIN THE PFO!
CLICK the PIC to get started!



ELK GROVE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT



BIKE WEEK @ MCGARVEY!



♥ our community partners!



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 or (916) 792-7462.



CALLING
MCGARVEY
ALUM...

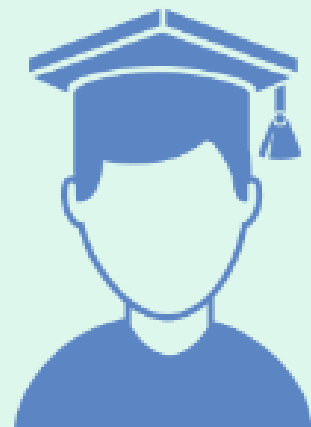
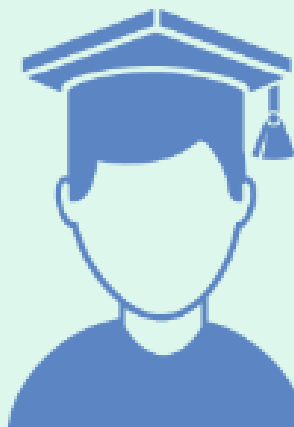
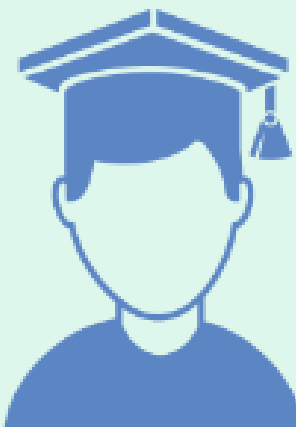
Congratulations, Graduates!

CLASS OF 2026

PLEASE JOIN US FOR A
SPECIAL ASSEMBLY!
PRESENCE IN YOUR CAP & GOWN IS
REQUESTED, AS WE WOULD LIKE TO
HONOR YOU WITH A TRADITIONAL
GRADUATION PARADE.

Robert J. McGarvey Elementary

Tuesday, May 26 at 2:00 pm
(following mandatory graduation rehearsal)



Junior Giants celebrates diversity—
all are welcome to play!



FREE!

Baseball

Youth Summer League

Confidence

Integrity

Teamwork

Leadership



Sign Up Now!



GOJRGIANIS.ORG

➔ **Volunteers Needed!**



McGarvey
ExL
Expanded Learning

**AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM
2026-2027**

Dear McGarvey Families,
We are thrilled to extend a warm welcome to you and your student to join our ExL program! Our goal is to provide a safe, nurturing, and enriching environment where students can thrive academically, socially, and emotionally.
Our ExL program offers a variety of engaging activities designed to support your student's development and provide them with opportunities for growth. From homework assistance to creative arts and STEM projects, we tailor our program to meet the diverse interests and needs of every student.

LEARNING BENEFITS

- ✓ Caring Staff
- ✓ Homework Support
- ✓ Enrichment Activities
- ✓ Healthy Snacks
- ✓ Physical Activity

ENROLL NOW



Children are eligible if they were born between September 2, 2022, and September 1, 2023, or if they will turn 3 years old before starting the program.

No income requirements & MUST be able to provide transportation

PRESCHOOL JOIN OUR EGUSD INTEGRATED PEER PROGRAM

2026-2027

Upcoming Dates for Zoom Information Meetings

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|------------------|----------------|
| ✓ March 9, 2026 | ✓ May 18, 2026 |
| ✓ April 20, 2026 | ✓ June 8, 2026 |

Zoom informational meetings will be held on the dates listed above at the following times:

8:30 a.m., 12:30 p.m., and 3:30 p.m.

Attendance at one of the informational meetings is required.

Zoom Meeting I.D.

<https://egusd-net.zoom.us/j/86979946950>

Meeting ID: 869 7994 6950

If you have any additional questions, feel free to contact us:

Jennifer Lipsky (jlipsky@egusd.net)

Shally Moua (shmoua@egusd.net)



Interested in an Intra or Inter District Transfer for your child?

The schools below are open to transfers on a space available basis:

Edna Batey Elementary 9421 Stonebrook Drive Elk Grove, CA 95624	Elitha Donner Elementary 9461 Soaring Oaks Drive Elk Grove, CA 95758	B.C. Morse Elementary 7000 Cranleigh Avenue Sacramento, CA 95823
Maeola Beitzel Elementary 8140 Caymus Drive Sacramento, CA 95829	Elliott Ranch Elementary 10000 East Taron Drive Elk Grove, CA 95757	Pleasant Grove Elementary 10160 Pleasant Grove School Rd. Elk Grove, CA 95624
Carroll Elementary 10325 Stathos Drive Elk Grove, CA 95757	Ellen Feickert Elementary 9351 Feickert Drive Elk Grove, CA 95624	Prairie Elementary 5251 Valley Hi Drive Sacramento, CA 95823
Cosumnes River Elementary 13580 Jackson Road Sloughouse, CA 95683	Florin Elementary 7300 Kara Drive Sacramento, CA 95828	David Reese Elementary 7600 Lindale Drive Sacramento, CA 95828
C.W. Dillard Elementary 9721 Dillard Road Wilton, CA 95693	Arlene Hein Elementary 6820 Bellaterra Drive Elk Grove, CA 95757	Joseph Sims Elementary 3033 Buckminster Drive Elk Grove, CA 95758
Cypress Grove Elementary 4189 Cypress Grove Drive, Rancho Cordova, CA 95742	James McKee Elementary 8701 Halverson Drive Elk Grove, CA 95624	

Transfer requests for the upcoming school year may be turned in beginning in April. Please contact the Elk Grove Unified School District, Elementary Education Division for more information:

Robert L. Trigg Education Center
9510 Elk Grove-Florin Road
Room 215
Elk Grove, CA 95624

(916) 686-7704



Don't trash our school!

We keep finding lots of gum and trash littering our beautiful campus. **Families, we need your help!** Please remind children not to bring or chew gum at school, and to put snack wrappers & other trash in the trash cans instead of on the ground or in the bushes. Thank you!

**Remember...
No gum at school!**

New school hours for 2026-27

8:40-3:10
Thursdays, early out @ 2:20
Grades 1-6

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

OFFICE HOURS
7:30 am -4:30 pm

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	\$36,777.50
2	\$4,141.68	\$49,700.50
3	\$5,218.08	\$62,627.50
4	\$6,298.04	\$75,562.50
5	\$7,373.13	\$88,477.50
6	\$8,458.21	\$101,402.50
7	\$9,527.28	\$114,327.50
8	\$10,604.38	\$127,252.50
Over 8 Más de 8 personas	Add \$1,071.08 each Añada \$1,071.08 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 4th 3:45 - 5:15
December 18th 3:45 - 5:15
January 9th 3:45 - 5:15
January 22nd 3:45 - 5:15
February 5th 3:45 - 5:15
February 19th 3:45 - 5:15
March 5th 3:45 - 5:15
April 2nd 3:45 - 5:15
April 16th 3:45 - 5:15
May 7th 3:45 - 5:15
May 21st 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



Motorized
Bicycle or Moped



Motorized
E-Scooter



Rules of the Road
E-Scooters & E-Bikes



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	
License	Driver's license with an M1 or M2 endorsement
Helmet	DOT compliant helmet required for all ages
Where	May ride on public and private roads Not allowed on sidewalks or trails
Other Info	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	

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	
License	Driver's license or instruction permit required
Helmet	Bicycle helmet if under 18 CVC 21212
Where	May ride wherever traditional bicycles may ride - No riding on sidewalks CVC 21200
Other Info	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	

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

(916) 478-8110

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)



Class 1 & Class 2
E-Bike



Class 3
E-Bike



California Vehicle Code
(CVC) Definition

- CVC 436
- A motorcycle for use exclusively off the highway
 - Electric and/or gas powered

RIDER REQUIREMENTS	
License	None - This type of motorcycle is NOT street legal.
Helmet	DOT compliant helmet required
Where	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.
Other Info	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	

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	
License	None
Helmet	Bicycle helmet if under 18 CVC 21212
Where	May ride wherever traditional bicycles may ride CVC 21200
Other Info	No minimum age requirement to ride
POSSIBLE PENALTIES	
1. Helmet Citation, if applicable	
2. Right of way citation, if ridden improperly.	

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	
License	None
Helmet	Bicycle helmet required regardless of age CVC 21213(a)
Where	May ride wherever traditional bicycles may ride CVC 21200
Other Info	Must be 16 years or older to ride
POSSIBLE PENALTIES	
1. Helmet Citation, if applicable	
2. Right of way citation, if ridden improperly.	