

# LIVE FROM



# Robert J. McGarvey Elementary

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

## Weekly Newsletter

2025-26 School Year  
Week 9  
September 12, 2025

### Principal's Corner

Thank you, thank you, thank you to all the families and teachers who volunteered to make our C & D Track Fun Run a screaming success! We've already raised \$34,000 so far!! Check out pictures!

Congratulations to **Rebecca Lam & Brittany Smith**, parents elected to our School Site Council for a 2-year term.

♥ Dr. Mitchell

### Superintendent Search

The EGUSD Board is soliciting community responses to the following questions:

1. What personal and professional qualities for an incoming superintendent will be a match for the District?
2. What are the strengths of the District, and what are the challenges you see for the District in the coming years?

A Community Forum will be held via Zoom on September 17, 2025, from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m., with interpretation available.

**Join the Zoom Meeting | Meeting ID:** 824 7694 5905 | **Passcode:** 968172

If you are not able to attend, you may still provide your feedback by participating in an anonymous online survey from 8/26 to 9/19.

### Bike & Scooter Safety



We're glad so many Griffins ride bikes & scooters to school. But you need to be safe & keep others safe too. Pedestrians have the right of way on sidewalks. If you're on wheels, *slow down* and pass pedestrians safely!

HELMETS ARE REQUIRED BY LAW

### Did you know...?

California Vehicle Code 21235 requires **electric scooter operators to be at least 16 years old and have a driver's license** (or permit).

California Vehicle Code § 312.5 & DMV says operators of **class 3 e-bikes must be at least 16 years old.**



### Resilient Griffins!

This week, these students were recognized students by their teachers.  
**Congrats!**

*I have a lot of qualities that make me a good friend.*

#### Transitional Kindergarten

Jemma  
Alexander  
Nico  
Niko  
Greyson

#### 3rd Grade

Josiah  
Bastian  
Isaac  
Teagan

#### Kindergarten

Kaydee  
Samantha  
Christopher



#### 4th Grade

Kenzie  
Abby  
Adele

#### 1st Grade

Isabella  
Zoey  
CJ  
Luke

#### 5th Grade

Jaxon  
Chloe  
Abigail  
Mari

#### 2nd Grade

Kristiana  
Zelia  
Cade  
Ramelle

#### 6th Grade

Luke  
Clara  
Nixon  
Alex



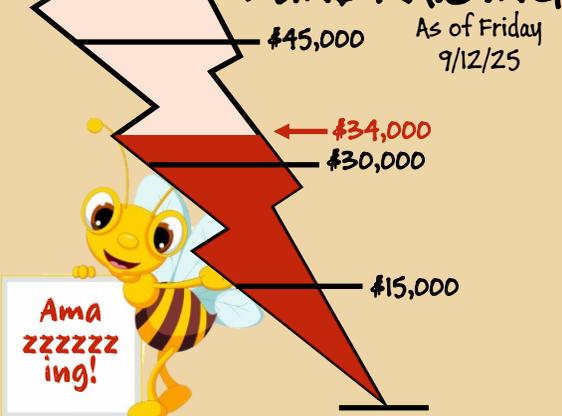
### The McGarvey Way

A KINDNESS CAMPAIGN: FRIENDSHIP

'Bee' a Community!



### PFO FUN RUN FUNDRAISING

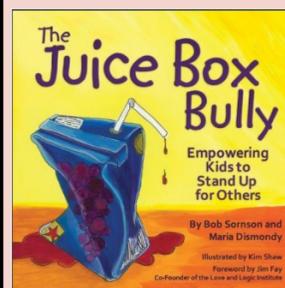


**C & D Tracks** - keep those funds rolling in. You have all the way until 10/17!

**A & B Tracks** - get ready! Kick-Off is 10/6 & the Fun Run is 10/17!

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's Big Question

Have you ever seen someone being treated unkindly? What did you do? Would you do anything differently now?

Our S.O.A.R. trait next week is **Safe.**

*Belonging begins with us.*

"You don't spell it... you feel it."  
- Pooh, speaking about love



**FUN RUN!**



## Important Dates

### September

- 15 - B Track Returns
- 15 - Fire Drill
- 17 - 6:00-7:00 Superintendent Search Open Community Forum @ ZOOM  
Meeting ID: 824 7694 5905 | Passcode: 968172
- 17 - Cross Country Meet @ Valley View
- 17 - Dine Out Day - Boba & Bites Food Truck @ McGarvey
- 18 - School Site Council Meeting #1
- 19 - A & B Track Deficiencies
- 22 - Lockdown Drill
- 25 - PBIS Team Meeting
- 30 - B & D Track Picture Make-Up Day

### October

- 1 - Cross Country Meet @ District Christian
- 1-2 - Community Picnic Lunch
- 2 - Fire Drill
- 3 - Track Change Day (D goes off) (Minimum Day)
- 3 - Griffin Gala and Griffin Store
- 3 - SPIRIT DAY: TBD
- 3 - D Track - End of 1st Trimester
- 3 - D Track Awards
- 6 - C Track Returns
- 6 - A & B Track Fun Run Kick-Off
- 6-7 - Community Picnic Lunch
- 8 - Cross Country Meet @ Silva Valley
- 9 - 6:30 PFO Meeting (ZOOM)
- 15 - Cross Country Championship @ Placer Fairgrounds
- 16 - Great California Shake-Out
- 17 - A & B Track Fun Run
- 27 - Book Fair Opens
- 29 - A & C Track Picture Make-Up Day
- 30 - 9:15 B Track 'Bee Track Hive Harvest'
- 31 - Griffin Gala and Griffin Store
- 31 - SPIRIT DAY: TBD
- 31 - Track Change Day (A goes off) (Minimum Day)
- 31 - A, B, and C Track Awards

Support our fundraiser with Boba & Bites!

Their food truck will be in front of

Robert McGarvey Elementary School.

4350 Sophistry Dr, Rancho Cordova, CA 95742

**Wednesday, September 17, 2025**  
**3 pm - 7 pm**

10% of sales will be donated to the McGarvey PFO.

## Education Benefits Survey

When you first log in to ParentVue this year, you'll be prompted to answer a few simple questions about your household size and income range. It's important to complete that survey. Here's why - the survey data helps us...

- **get critical funding** - state and federal dollars that could be left on the table but our school really needs!
- **continue to offer free meals** at breakfast & lunch.
- **fund educational programs**, classroom resources, and extracurricular activities.
- **maintain and improve the quality of education** available at McGarvey.

Submitting the form is no cost to you. It's a quick and simple way to contribute to our school's program needs.

All information provided is confidential and is used only for funding purposes. Your privacy is our priority, and your data is securely managed.

What's the **BEST** reason to take this survey?

You'll avoid a phone call from us, asking you to do it.

The survey is that important.

## CHICK'S 500 FUNDRAISER

FOR ROBERT MCGARVEY ELEMENTARY PFO

**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 9**  
**11 AM - 9 PM**

4040 SUNRISE BLVD #100,  
RANCHO CORDOVA, CA 95742



BRING IN FLYER OR  
MENTION "MCGARVEY SCHOOL"

10% OF SALES WILL BE DONATED TO THE PFO





# FUN RUN!

# TRAFFIC SAFETY

## Important Reminders!

We are all responsible for safety at arrival and dismissal time. **Please:**

- **Obey the crossing guard.** This includes no right turns.
- **Stay on the sidewalk** and **use crosswalks** to cross the street.
- **Avoid double-parking.** This blocks traffic for other families and adds to the traffic.
- **Do not encourage your children to run across the street** to your waiting car. Students should use the crosswalk to cross the street safely.
- Make sure your child **wears a helmet** while riding a bike.
- **Walk bikes on the sidewalk** near pedestrians.

We all know traffic around school is hard during drop-off and pick-up times.

Everyone is interested in a quick, easy, and safe drop-off and pick-up.

### **Please do your part.**

Plan a few extra minutes, and bring your patience and flexibility.

**Law enforcement may be present to ensure safety!**



**BREAKFAST IS SERVED  
FREE - every day  
STARTING AT 8:35  
come in thru the front gate**

# SPIRIT DAYS

**You can't hide  
Your Griffin Pride!**

There's always a way to show it!!!

**Tuesdays** - Tie-Dye Tuesdays! Wear anything tie-dye, including one of your McGarvey t-shirts

**Wednesdays** - Where You'll Go Wednesdays! Wear a t-shirt or hoodie from a place that represents your future goals - college, university, trade school, military, or career readiness

**Thursdays** - Pod Pride! Wear your pod's color or grade-level t-shirt

**Fridays** - Griffin Gear Fridays! Wear your McGarvey t-shirt or hoodie



Making sure our students are safe and ready to learn is our most important job.

Whether you have a great idea, praise, or a concern, we want to from you!

Please stop by, call, or email. You always have direct access to your admin team!

**Carrie Mitchell**, principal  
carmitch@egusd.net

**Becky Ricks**, vice principal  
bricks@egusd.net

**Carrie Garbett**, vice principal  
cgarbett@egusd.net

**JOBS AT McGarvey**  
If you or someone you know is looking for a job, consider us!

- Register for an account at [edjoin.org](http://edjoin.org)
- Already have an account? Login & scan the QR code
- After you submit your application, call Linda @ McGarvey and let her know!

**T.K.  
PARAEDUCATOR**

**3 Positions**

- A Track AM & PM
- C Track PM
- Part Time



# FUN RUN!



## School Entrances & Exits

Bee safe! Help us keep our students safe and our campus secure by entering and exiting using only:

1. The front gate (by the office) and
2. The back gate (on the playground).

The gate near the D & E wings that exit to Appolon Drive is for bus riders and emergency exit only.



Please do not enter or exit the campus using these gates!



## HISTORICALLY BLACK COLLEGES & UNIVERSITIES RECRUITMENT FAIR



SENIORS  
bring 10 copies of your  
Current Transcript  
&  
(If Available)  
SAT/ACT  
Test Scores

Juniors  
bring Transcripts



In partnership with  
**Elk Grove Unified School District**

**Location:** Monterey Trail High School Gymnasium  
8661 Power Inn Road  
Elk Grove, CA 95624

**Date:** Saturday, September 20, 2025  
**Time:** 10:00 am - 2:00 pm

Learn what HBCUs have to offer:

- Meet recruiters from 30-35 different HBCUs representing hundreds of majors and professional degrees.
- Receive application fee waivers.
- "On the spot" admissions from selected colleges, if qualified.
- "On the spot" Scholarships awarded, if qualified.

### HBCUs Invited to Attend:

Alabama A&M University\*  
Alabama State University\*  
Alcorn State University\*  
Allen University\*  
Arkansas Baptist College\*  
Benedict College\*  
Bennett College\*  
Bethune-Cookman University\*  
Bowie State University  
Clark Atlanta University\*  
Clinton College\*  
Coppin State University\*  
Delaware State University\*

Dillard University\*  
Edward Waters University\*  
Elizabeth City State University\*  
Fisk University  
Florida A&M University  
Florida Memorial University\*  
Fort Valley State University\*  
Grambling State University\*  
Hampton University  
Harris-Stowe State University\*  
Howard University  
Huston-Tillotson University\*  
Jackson State University\*

Jarvis Christian University\*  
Lane College\*  
Langston University\*  
Lincoln University (MO)\*  
Livingstone College\*  
Miles College\*  
Morehouse College\*  
Morgan State University\*  
Paine College\*  
Philander Smith College\*  
Savannah State University  
Shaw University\*  
South Carolina State University\*

Southern University and A&M College\*  
Spelman College  
Talladega College\*  
Texas Southern University  
Tougaloo College\*  
Tuskegee University  
University of Arkansas Pine Bluff\*  
University of Maryland Eastern Shore  
Virginia State University\*  
Voorhees College\*  
Wilberforce University\*  
Wiley University\*  
Xavier University of Louisiana  
And more!

\*Accepts Common Black College Application (CBCA)

Register Here:

<https://gotocollegefairs.swoogo.com/ucan-registration>



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COMMON BLACK COLLEGE APPLICATION  
Complete the  
CBCA for FREE!  
\*See school counselor for code\*  
CommonBlackCollegeApp.com



# Tikiz is Coming!

Shaved Ice & Ice Cream

**McGarvey  
Elementary**

**Every Thursday  
Afterschool**

*20% of the sales will be donated  
back to McGarvey Elementary.*



**Dates:**

**Sept. 4**

**Sept. 11**

**Sept. 18**

**Sept. 25**



\$5 - 7 Shaved Ice  
\$5 Ice Cream



Tikiz Shaved Ice Products are:  
• Fat Free  
• Gluten Free  
• Soy Free  
• Wheat Free

**SUGAR-FREE**  
FLAVORS AVAILABLE



**Tikiz On The River**

(833) 916-9160

TikizOnTheRiver@tikiz.com

www.Tikiz.com

# 33rd Annual EGUSD College and Career Fair

**OCTOBER 8  
2025**

6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

**Laguna Creek  
High School**

9050 Vicino Dr., Elk Grove, CA 95758



**1**

Speak with Admission Representatives from a wide range of post-secondary Institutions and career fields, including paid apprenticeships and other on-the-job-training programs.

**3**

Discuss with Financial Advisors how to budget tuition fees, campus costs, and other educational tools.

**2**

Learn more about options for Colleges, Universities, and other Post-secondary Arts, Apprenticeship and other Trade Institutions.

**4**

Learn about guaranteed College Credit Transfer opportunities for Post-secondary education.

**5**

Career Planning with College/Career Industry Partners, Professionals, Agencies, and Advisors.



REGISTER **HERE**

For more information, please contact Nicole Brown at **916.793.2987** or [nnbrown@egusd.net](mailto:nnbrown@egusd.net)

## SACRAMENTO LATINO BOOK & FAMILY FESTIVAL

**FREE  
ADMISSION  
EXTRA GRATIS**

**SATURDAY,  
SEPTEMBER 13, 2025  
10 AM - 3:30 PM**

**SÁBADO, 13 DE  
SEPTIEMBRE 2025  
10 AM A 3:30 PM**

**VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL  
6300 Ehrhardt Ave,  
Sacramento, CA 95823**

Scan to sign up as an exhibitor



OVER 100  
EXHIBITORS

BILINGUAL  
ACTIVITIES  
& WORKSHOPS

HEALTH, EDUCATION,  
FINANCIAL  
EMPOWERMENT

GET  
AUTOGRAPHED  
BOOKS



MÁS DE 100  
EXPOSITORES

ACTIVIDADES Y  
TALLERES  
BILINGÜES

SALUD, EDUCACIÓN,  
EMPODERAMIENTO  
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AUTORES



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## 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.

Family Size	2023 Income Guidelines	
	Annual	Monthly
1	\$34,263	\$2,855.25
2	\$46,342	\$3,861.83
3	\$58,421	\$4,868.42
4	\$70,500	\$5,875.00
Additional Family Members	Add \$12,079 each	Add \$1,006.59 each

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:

June 5th 3:45 - 5:15  
June 26th 3:45 - 5:15  
July 17th 3:45 - 5:15  
Aug. 7th 3:45 - 5:15  
Aug 21st 3:45 - 5:15  
Sept. 4th 3:45 - 5:15  
Sept. 18th 3:45 - 5:15  
Oct. 2nd 3:45 - 5:15  
Oct. 16th 3:45 - 5:15  
Nov. 6th 3:45 - 5:15  
Nov. 20th 3:45 - 5:15  
Dec. 4th 3:45 - 5:15  
Dec. 18th 3:45 - 5:15

Bring an ID  
for easier  
registration

Bring bags or a  
cart for easier  
choosing and  
carrying

