

LIVE FROM



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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 3
August 1, 2025

Principal's Corner

EGUSD's learning vision is

"Every Student Learning in Every Subject, in Every Classroom, Every Day – Resulting in College and Career Ready Graduates."

This is something we take seriously at McGarvey. We know students must feel safe, supported, and emotionally ready in order to fully engage in academic learning.

Part of our mission at McGarvey to start students on their paths toward college-, career-, and life-readiness. That's why we have a schoolwide focus on AVID (Advancement Via Individual Determination). McGarvey is an AVID Certified School - that's a big deal!

All of our teachers are focused on improving students' organization, a core tenet of AVID. We're helping students get & keep their learning materials organized from TK through 6th grade. Ask your child's teacher for more information!

♥ Dr. Mitchell

BEE ON TIME FOR SCHOOL



Being at school on time, ready to learn has an obvious relationship to student learning.

Our goal is 95% positive attendance - students in school, on time, and for the whole day.

We'll be sharing our weekly progress toward this attendance goal. Be part of our success!



TRAFFIC info from RCPD

In the last week, RCPD officers have written citations to parents of McGarvey students for violations including but not limited to:

- **Speeding on Pericles.**
- **Failing to come to a complete stop at stop signs on Pericles & Rosenstock and Roscoe; and at Sophocles & Appolon.**

Please observe traffic laws to keep our students and families safe!

RCPD will continue to be present around McGarvey.



Welcome! Mr. Roberts

Mr. Ryan Roberts is a welcome addition to our Kindergarten Team on B Track! When he's not at school, he enjoys coaching his son's soccer team. He also can't get enough time outdoors - especially camping!



Open-Minded Griffins!

This week, these students were recognized students by their teachers.

Congrats!

I love including new people!

Transitional Kindergarten

Kai
Alice
Nathnael
Jenevieve

Kindergarten

Zahra
Emma
Mateo
Jora

1st Grade

Elisa
Milo
Jace

2nd Grade

Zoe
Evie
Adam

3rd Grade

Lamayla
Mustafa
Diana
Everlie
Solomon

4th Grade

Abel
Evelyn
Krixus

5th Grade

Dilpreet
Olivia

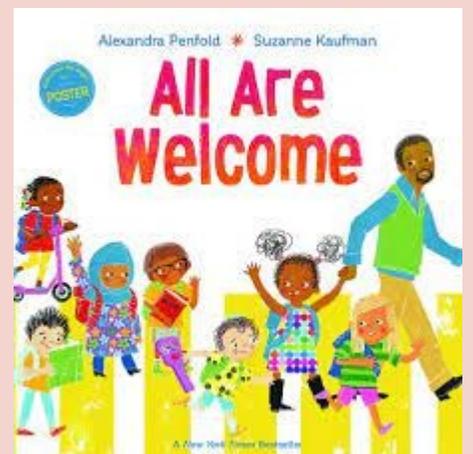
6th Grade

Edmund
Isaac
Maddie

The McGarvey Way

A KINDNESS CAMPAIGN

We Are All Griffins!



What can we do to make others feel welcome?

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

I do my part to make McGarvey great!



LET'S WELCOME OUR
NEW GRIFFIN FAMILIES

McGarvey Preview PARTY

A TRACK

August 7th, 2025

Bring your family to explore campus,
meet the staff, & have fun!

ROBERT J. MCGARVEY | 3:00-5:00 PM | 4350 SOPHISTRY DR
ELEMENTARY | RANCHO CORDOVA

Returning families are welcome, too!
Students must be accompanied by a parent/guardian.

PICTURE DAY

Tracks BCD

Thurs. August 7



School Entrances & Exits

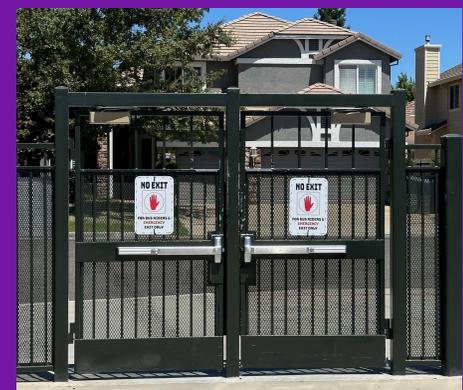
Bee safe! Help us keep our students safe and our campus secure by entering and exiting using *only*:



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!



Important Dates

August

- 6 - Dine Out Day @ 85°C Bakery & Café
- 7 - Picture Day BCD Tracks
- 7 - 3:00-5:00 McGarvey Preview Party! A Track (for the whole family)
- 8 - 3:45-7:15 TK A AM Ms. Edward's Class Meet & Greet (parents & TK students)
- 14 - 4:30-5:15 TK & K Back to School Night A Track (parents/guardians only)
- 15 - Track Change Day (B goes off) (Minimum Day)
- 15 - Griffin Gala and Griffin Store
- 15 - SPIRIT DAY: TBD
- 15 - 1:00-5:00 TK A PM Ms. Nordquist's Class Meet & Greet (parents & TK students)
- 15 - 3:00-3:45 Kindergarten Meet & Greet A Track AM Classes (parents & K students)
- 15 - 4:00-4:45 Kindergarten Meet & Greet A Track PM Classes (parents & K students)

18 - McGarvey Way Theme: 'Bee a Friend' (Friendship)

18 - (Mon.) First Day of School for A Track

- 18 - PBIS Kick-Off begins
- 19 - 5:00-6:40 Grades 1-6 Back to School Night A Track (parents/guardians only)
- 21 - Donuts with the Principal
- 21 - 6:30 PM PFO Meeting
- 22 - Fire Drill
- 22 - Back to School Night Dance (for families)
- 25 - C & D Track Fun Run Kick Off
- 27 - A Track Picture Day

September

- 1 - Labor Day NO SCHOOL
- 4 - 6:30 PFO Meeting
- 11 - C & D Track Fun Run
- 12 - Track Change Day (C goes off) (Minimum Day)

ALL TK ATTENDS EARLY
Wed 9/10-Field Trip
Thurs 9/11-Fun Run
Fri 9/12-Track Change

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

ATTENTION!

Hey Griffin families! Want to stay in the loop with PFO events, activities, volunteer opportunities? We now have an option for you to **OPT IN** to our new text message system!

send a text to **81010**

text this message:
@pforocks

Open Door Open Ears Open Heart

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 hear from you!

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



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Carrie Garbett, vice principal
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SWEET FUNDS — with — 85°C Bakery Cafe

Please present this flyer to support your cause.
25% of the proceeds will be donated to:

McGravey Elementary School

Date: 08/06/25

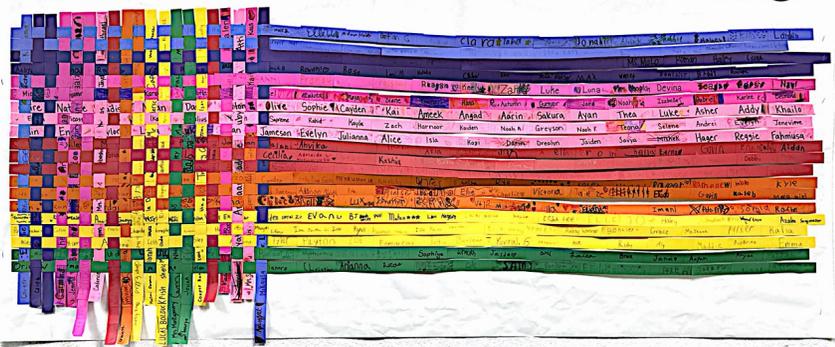
Time: 8am-8pm

Location: 85c Rancho Cordova

11009 Olson Dr #708, Rancho Cordova



WE ARE ALL GRIFFINS



Stop by the school office and check out this beautiful woven tapestry! This art installation is the brainchild of our PFO's Art Docent, **Rebecca Lam**, to accompany our first McGravey Way Kindness Campaign theme. Each child in our school has written their name on a strip of paper, and all those strips of paper have been woven together to illustrate **We are all Griffins!!** We can't wait to see it all filled out with our A Track kiddos when they come back to school in a few weeks!

JOBS AT MCGARVEY

If you or someone you know is looking for a job, consider us!

- Register for an account at edjoin.org
- Already have an account? Login & scan the QR code
- After you submit your application, call **Linda @ McGravey** and let her know!

T.K. PARAEUCATOR

3 Positions

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



Tikiz is Coming!

Shaved Ice & Ice Cream

McGarvey Elementary

Every Thursday Afterschool



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

Dates:

July 31

August 7

August 14

August 21

August 28



\$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

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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.

2023 Income Guidelines		
Family Size	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.

This institution is an equal opportunity provider.

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



School Site Council Nominations

Serving on our School Site Council is an excellent way to get an insider's view of all the great things going on at McGarvey!

You get to learn about our school goals, our budget, and how we use our money to address our goals. We meet 4 - 5 times a year, over zoom for 60-90 minutes.

The School Site Council is made up of an equal number of school staff & parents - we have 5 of each - and serve for 2 year terms. **Erin Seymour, Shannon Walker, and Rehana Rehman** are returning parent members of our SSC, and we're looking for **two more parents!**

If you're interested or if you'd like to nominate someone, please email the principal by August 22, 2025. carmitch@egusd.net

August 4: A.I. Educational Partner Forum

Elk Grove Unified School District is seeking collaborative input from educational partners regarding the districtwide integration of artificial intelligence (AI). We invite you to join us for our upcoming AI Forum that is designed to foster a shared understanding of AI and to gather valuable educational partner perspectives on its potential impact on students, staff, and families.

The forum will be held from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. on Zoom and will feature a brief presentation followed by interactive small group discussions.

Register for AI Educational Partner Forum

August 9: Elk Grove High School (EGHS) Community Open House

The event will take place from 3:00 to 6:00 p.m. and is hosted by the Friends & Alumni of Elk Grove High School Association. Come explore the newly renovated campus, enjoy live music provided by the EGHS Band, take a guided tour, and enter to win door prizes while enjoying light refreshments. This free event is open to everyone in the community.

Register for Open House | EGHS Community Open House Flyer

Help Name Our Future Schools

The Elk Grove Unified School District is seeking recommendations for names of schools currently in development. When submitting suggestions, please consider the following guidelines: elementary schools should reflect the district's cultural diversity or honor individuals or places significant to local history or education; middle schools should represent the district's diversity or recognize influential figures in education or Northern California history; and high schools should be named after their geographic location.

To submit your suggestion, please use [this electronic form](#), or [print a paper form](#). For more details, [view the map of upcoming schools](#).