



Robert J. McGarvey Elementary School - Elk Grove Unified School District

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Principal's Corner

Did you get an email from us with your child's grade-level and track assignment this weekend? If not, please contact our school office so we can give you that info & make sure our records have the correct email address. We had many emails bounce back to us. We are still finalizing our staffing for next year, so we'll be in touch again in July with your child's teacher's name.

Plan to join us for the **End-of-the-Year Skate Party** on **Tuesday Night!**

Please keep looking for ways to volunteer - even just a few minutes a day - to make McGarvey a safe & happy place to go to school. We're leaning into our community to help make 2025 -26 a great year. **There are lots of big changes in store and we really need your help!** There are opportunities listed here in the newsletter or feel free to reach out to find out more. TIA!

♥ Dr. Mitchell



SUMMER CAMP OPPORTUNITY

For incoming TK-6 Students

All students who will be in grades TK-6 next year are welcome to join us for **FREE** Summer Learning!

Cosumnes River Elementary
13580 Jackson Road, Sloughhouse, CA 95683.
June 30-July 15, 2025
(no program on July 4)
8:00-5:30 daily

In the mornings, students work with teachers. In the afternoons, a community partner will run an engaging summer camp.

If you would like your student(s) to join us for this summer program June 30-July 15, please complete the application by scanning or clicking the QR code. Transportation may be available to and from McGarvey.

SCAN OR CLICK



A, B, & C TRACK STATE TESTING

Grades 3-6

It's that time of year... our Griffins get to show how much they've learned on the CAASPP!

June 2-13 9:05-11:15
Grades 3-6

Griffins do their best when they...

1. Have a good night's sleep.
2. Get to school on time and unrushed.
3. Have a healthy breakfast.

Please make perfect attendance your goal during the testing window.

Students who arrive late on a testing day may not be admitted to their classroom until the day's test is complete. They'll have to do make-up testing on a different day.

To minimize distractions, we will not interrupt classes that are testing between the 9:05-11:15.



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Resilient Griffins!

Responsible Griffins S.O.A.R.!

We are Safe, Open-Minded, Accountable, and Resilient!

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

Kindergarten/TK

Oliver
Zoey

1st Grade

Lux
King-Ryan
Victoria
Ailani

2nd Grade

Nicole
Nina
Ellie

3rd Grade

Natalia
Hudson
Adele

4th Grade

Eliza
Levon

5th Grade

Reese
Aiden
Ahana
Sahiba

6th Grade

Elijah
Anthony
Eddie
Rylee



Congrats, Authors!

916 Ink wrapped up their 12 week creative writing class last week! Students and their families enjoyed celebrating their poems and stories into a book called **Baking Books!**

Copies of their book will be available in the school library, or for purchase. Click on the book cover for more information. If your child is interested in becoming a published author, look for information about 916 Ink when it gets started again next year!



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Dear Griffin Family,

June 7, 2025

Welcome to McGarvey for the 2025-26 school year! We're glad you're part of our Griffin family!

McGarvey follows a year-round calendar with 4 different tracks. You can find the calendar for the 2025-26 school year on the district website at <http://egusd.net>.

In grades 1-6, school starts at **9:05** and ends at **3:35** – except on Thursdays and track-change days. *Every Thursday* is early-out and dismissal is at **2:45**. *Track-change days* occur about once a month and dismissal is at **1:35**.

Due to staffing assignments for the new school year, your child may have been moved to McGarvey and/or onto a new track. Students are assigned to schools and tracks based on available space and the date students were registered.

As of this date, your child's grade level and track assignment have been communicated by email. In early July we will communicate again with the name of your child's teacher.

Enrollment at McGarvey is increasing substantially in 2025-26. Many of our new students come from outside our attendance area, and nearly 300 students will be in TK or Kindergarten. **To ease the traffic around the school at arrival and dismissal times, we encourage our neighborhood families to walk or bike to school. Let's work together to reserve car traffic for those families who live farther away and for our littlest Griffins.** Please look for more information coming soon about Walk & Bike Trains and consider volunteering to lead a walking or biking caravan to/from school.

Please make a note of the following important updates and mark your calendars!

	Preview Party (for families) <small>This event is intended for our new families, but all families are welcome!</small>	Back to School Night (parents/guardians ONLY)	First Day of School	Back to School Night Schedule
Track A	Thursday, August 7 3:00-5:00 PM <small>(A Track is welcome to attend on July 10)</small>	TK & K Thurs., August 14 4:30-5:15 Gr. 1-6 Tues., August 19 5:00-6:40	Monday, August 18	5:00-5:30 Welcome Meeting <small>in the MP with Principal and Vice Principal</small> 5:35-6:05 Session #1 <small>in your child's classroom</small> 6:10-6:40 Session #2 <small>in your child's classroom if you have multiple children</small>
Tracks B, C, D	Thursday, July 10 3:00-5:00 PM <small>(see flyer)</small>	TK & K Mon., July 14 4:30-5:15 Gr. 1-6 Mon., July 14 5:00-6:40	Wednesday, July 16	

We look forward to your partnership this year! Please give us a call if we can answer any questions.

Sincerely,

Carrie Mitchell, Ed.D.
Principal

Promotion Schedule

Kindergarten

A Track - Mon 6/23 @ 9:30
B Track - Mon 6/23 @ 10:15
C Track - Mon 6/23 @ 10:15



6th Grade

A Track - Thurs 6/26 @ 11:15
B Track - Thurs 6/26 @ 10:15
C Track - Thurs 6/26 @ 9:15

END-OF-YEAR PARTY! SKATE NIGHT @ THE RINK



Tuesday, June 10, 2025
6 pm - 8 pm

\$8/person
Includes skates

2900 Bradshaw Rd.
Sacramento, CA 95827

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

Sponsored by the PFO

Important Dates

June

- 10 - 6:00-8:00 PM End-of-Year Skate Party - Skate Night @ The Rink
- 11 - Fire Drill
- 19 - (Thurs.) NO SCHOOL Juneteenth
- 23 - Kindergarten Promotions
9:30 - A Track
10:15 - B & C Tracks
- 26 - 6th Grade Promotions
9:30 - C Track
10:15 - B Track
11:15 - A Track
- 27 - **ABC Tracks Last Day of School (Minimum Day)**
- 27 - Griffin Gala and Griffin Store
- 27 - SPIRIT DAY: Favorite Griffin Spirit Wear

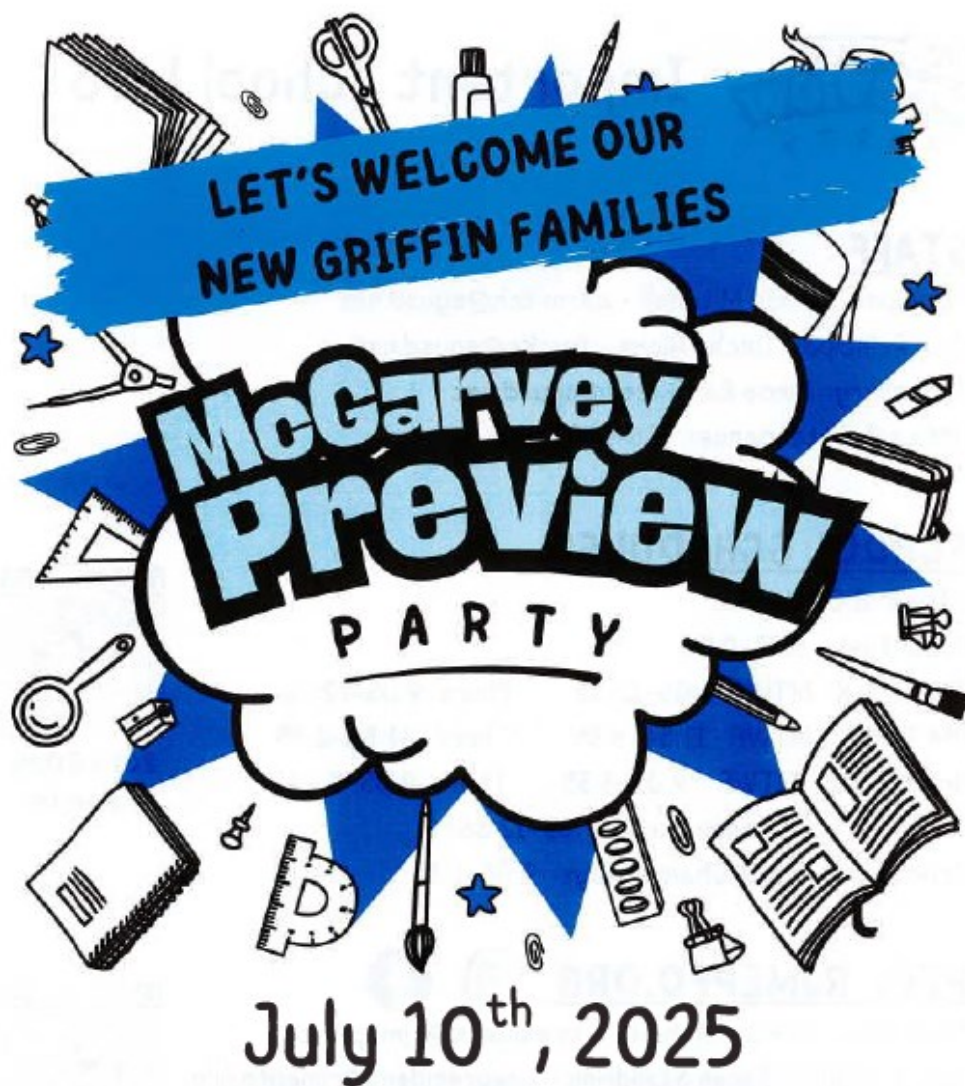
SCHOOL OFFICE CLOSED JUNE 30 - JULY 4

July

- 10 - 3:00-5:00 McGarvey Preview Party! BCD Tracks (for the whole family)
- 14 - 4:30-5:15 TK & K Back to School Night BCD Tracks (parents/guardians only)
- 14 - 5:00-6:40 Grades 1-6 Back to School Night BCD Tracks (parents/guardians only)
- 15 - 9:00-1:00 TK Meet & Greet BCD Tracks AM & PM Classes (parents & TK students)
- 15 - 3:00-3:45 Kindergarten Meet & Greet BD Tracks AM Classes (parents & K students)
- 15 - 4:00-4:45 Kindergarten Meet & Greet BCD Tracks PM Classes (parents & K students)
- 16 - (Wed.) First Day of School for BCD Tracks

August

- 7 - Picture Day BCD Tracks
- 7 - 3:00-5:00 McGarvey Preview Party! A Track (for the whole family)
- 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 - 9:00-1:00 TK Meet & Greet A Track AM & PM Classes (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 - (Mon.) First Day of School for A Track
- 19 - 5:00-6:40 Grades 1-6 Back to School Night A Track (parents/guardians only)
- 27 - Picture Day A Track



LET'S WELCOME OUR
NEW GRIFFIN FAMILIES

**McGarvey
Preview
PARTY**

July 10th, 2025

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

ROBERT J. MCGARVEY
ELEMENTARY

3:00-5:00 PM

4350 SOPHISTRY DR
RANCHO CORDOVA

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

Want to name the new school?

As you know, a new elementary school in our neighborhood is planned to open for the 2026-27 school year. We're calling it 'Grantline 208' for now, but that won't be its forever name. Do you have a good idea for a name?

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. [Click here to make your suggestion!](#)

Mello-Roos Tax Reduction offered for Senior Citizens & Disabled Persons

Senior citizens and disabled persons can apply for a special tax reduction through June 30, 2025. Between April 15 and June 30, senior citizens age 65 or older; or fully disabled persons living within the Elk Grove Unified School District boundary may apply for a 70 percent reduction in their Mello-Roos tax assessment (direct levy #0155).

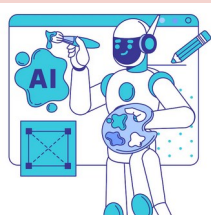
[Mello-Roos Tax Reduction Information](#)

A.I. Educational Partner Forum

August 4, 2025

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](#)



Free Summer Meals when School is Out!

The Elk Grove Unified School District Food & Nutrition Services works with several community partners to provide FREE summer meals while school is out. Meals are available to all children 18 years and younger and must be consumed at the summer meal site. Meals are available at several Sacramento Public Libraries, Southgate Recreation & Parks, YMCA and Community Housing Opportunity locations. For specific location and meal service times, please visit <https://egusdschoolmeals.com>.



Free Food Distribution

From now until December 18, 2025

EGUSD and [Sacramento Food Bank & Family Services](#) will continue to host bi-monthly food distribution events. These events are held at Calvin High School (8333 Vintage Park Dr.) from 3:45 to 5:15 pm. **Please note that the food distribution event will take place RAIN or SHINE!** The food bank will be offering a greater variety of food options, along with additional supplies for distribution.

[Free Food Distribution Flyer](#)
(translated flyers included)



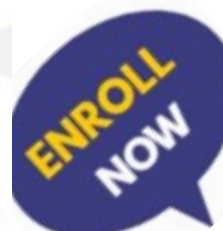
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EXL
Expanded Learning

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ENROLLMENT
2025-2026

BEFORE & AFTER SCHOOL



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



Become a... Griffin Guardian!

At McGarvey, community matters. Volunteer today!

This is an all-call for adults - dads, moms, grandparents, and other adults.
(must be 21 or older and have fingerprints cleared by EGUSD)

We'll have more than 300 new students next year. It's important that all our Griffins know they belong & our community pulls together to make sure they thrive. You can help children feel safe, supported, and seen.



Griffin Guardians are volunteers who show up with heart and purpose to ensure our school runs smoothly from the moment students get on the way to school until they head home.

Please consider volunteering. Here are just some of the roles we need filled:

- **Walking Train & Bike Train leaders** - We need to get more kids arriving on foot and on wheels to ease the traffic around campus. *Would you be willing to walk/bike with a group of kids from your part of the neighborhood?*
- **Crossing Guards** - With more kids walking & biking, and undoubtedly many arriving by car, we need more help getting families across the crosswalk. *Would you be willing to help kids & families cross the street safely?*
- **Recess Helper** - Lots more kids means lots more play! Do you love playing with kids? Do you have a game you'd love to teach kids and supervise? Ever heard of Gaga Ball?? *Would you be willing to help supervise and engage kids in play during recess or lunch recess?*
- **Gate Greeter** - Greeting kids and families with a warm smile and keeping an eye on safety makes everyone feel secure. *Would you be willing to greet people at the gate in the morning or say goodbye in the afternoon?*



A lot of these roles are just a few minutes a day. You may already be at school or doing these things with your own kiddos already. What's a few more minutes or a few more kids?

Why volunteer?

- ☒ Make a direct impact on student safety.
- ☒ Build community and school spirit.
- ☒ Set a positive example for our future leaders.
- ☒ Let every Griffin know they matter!
- ☒ Earn smiles and hugs from kids!!

You don't need to volunteer every day (but you sure can!). **Scheduling is flexible to fit your availability.**

No experience necessary! We'll provide any training you need.

Your presence is powerful. Your time is appreciated.

Interested?
Want more information? Click
or scan to connect with us.
THANK YOU!



YARD SUPERVISORS WANTED FOR 2025-26

If you or someone you know is interested employment as a yard supervisor, please:

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

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TIKIZ will be here every Thursday

**SUPPORT OUR
MCGARVEY
GRIFFINS**



Thursday, June 12

2:30 PM - 3:30 PM



Please send your student
\$5 Ice Cream Bars \$5 - \$7 Shaved Ice
to ensure that they can participate
in the TIKIZ experience.



Tikiz.com/TikizOnTheRiver

This is not an Elk Grove Unified School District sponsored program, and EGUSD accepts no liability or responsibility for this program/activity.



LOST AND FOUND IS FULL!!

Please check for
your child's
belongings in the
MP.

All items will be