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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 12
October 3, 2025

Principal's Corner

Welcome back C Track! Hope to see you at our **Community Picnics this week!** It's always great to see our families for this annual event! See the schedule on page 2. Families will meet their children in the quad. Please remember students are expected to remain at school for the rest of the day unless there's an emergency or a medical appointment.

The McGarvey Way Kindness Campaign focuses on **Bully Prevention** this month. Please use the link to [The Recess Queen](#) read-aloud and/or the family discussion question to continue the conversation at home.

Education Benefits Survey Please do not forget to fill out the Educational Benefits form in ParentVue. Completing the survey helps our school secure crucial funding to help with class size reduction, transportation, and wellness support. Thanks for supporting our students!

♥ Dr. Mitchell

Your ParentVue Account...

...do you have one? Have you logged in yet this year? Do you need help? This is where you see your child's grades & report card. It's also where you complete the annual Education Benefits Survey. [Click here for a help document.](#) Or, call our office for help.

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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



Accountable Griffins!

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

Congrats!

I remind myself and others that we all belong in our community.

Transitional Kindergarten

Addie

Kindergarten

Sam
Miles
Melanie

1st Grade

Gaven
Ilma
Melody

2nd Grade

Kane
Brandon
Alice
Artina
Colton

3rd Grade

Lyla
Emilia
Bella
Shandiin
Evelynn

4th Grade

Mason
Ryland
Max
Jayden

5th Grade

Yalini
Lucas
Sofia

6th Grade

Dahlia
Jo Jo
Payton
Shivali



The McGarvey Way

A KINDNESS CAMPAIGN:
BULLY PREVENTION

'Bee' Nice!



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

Griffin's Big Question

When you feel angry or frustrated, what can you do instead of taking it out on others?

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

I use safe words and actions.

"You have brains in your head. You have feet in your shoes. You can steer yourself any direction you choose."
- Dr. Seuss *Oh, The Places You'll Go!*

A & B Tracks

#60,000 PFO FUN RUN FUNDRAISING

\$45,000 As of Friday 9/26/25

\$35,000

\$30,000

\$15,000

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Friday 10/17

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

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:



Community Picnics

Let's celebrate our school community!

~~Wed. 10/1~~
~~Thurs. 10/2~~
Mon. 10/6
Tues. 10/7

Community Picnic Days

Lunchtime @ McGarvey

Classes	Lunch & Recess Schedule
First & Second Grades	11:50am - 12:30pm
Third & Fourth Grades	12:35pm - 1:15pm
Fifth & Sixth Grades	1:20pm - 2:00pm

All students **MUST** return to class following their scheduled lunch/recess timeframe.

Students can only be checked out early following the picnic in the event of an emergency or appt.

Important Dates

October

- 6 - C Track Returns
- 6-7 - Community Picnic Lunch
- 8 - Walk & Roll to School!
- 8 - Cross Country Meet @ Silva Valley
- 8 - 6:30 EGUSD College & Career Fair (Laguna Creek High School)
- 9 - 6:30 PFO Meeting (ZOOM)
- 9 - Dine Out Day @ Chick's 500
- 15 - Cross Country Championship @ Placer Fairgrounds
- 16 - Great California Shake-Out
- 17 - A & B Track Fun Run
- 27 - Book Fair Opens (thru 11/7)
- 29 - A & C Track Picture Make-Up Day
- 30 - Safety Committee Meeting
- 30 - 9:15 B Track 'Bee Track Hive Harvest'
- 31 - Griffin Gala and Griffin Store
- 31 - SPIRIT DAY: Book Character Day!
- 31 - Track Change Day (A goes off) (Minimum Day)
- 31 - A, B, and C Track Awards

November

- 3 - D Track Returns
- 6 - 9:15 Donuts with the Principal
- 10 - Multi-Cultural Night
- 11 - Veteran's Day NO SCHOOL
- 13 - 5:30 School Site Council Meeting (ZOOM)
- 14 - Ruby Bridges Walk to School Day

TK & Kindergarten Picnics: on the Kindergarten Playground

D Track Wed. 10/1	A Track Thurs. 10/2	B Track Mon. 10/6	C Track Tues. 10/7
AM Classes 12:00-12:30	AM Classes 12:00-12:30	AM Class 12:00-12:30	AM Class 12:00-12:30
PM Class 3:00-3:30	PM Classes 3:00-3:30	PM Classes 3:00-3:30	PM Classes 3:00-3:30

ATTENTION

PM TK/K CLASSES

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

Elk Grove Unified School District
EGUSD

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.
- 2** Learn more about options for Colleges, Universities, and other Post-secondary Arts, Apprenticeship and other Trade Institutions.
- 3** Discuss with Financial Advisors how to budget tuition fees, campus costs, and other educational tools.
- 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 nbrown@egusd.net

Elk Grove Youth Commission | Elk Grove

WALK WITH US on the PATH TO POSITIVITY

A Walk & Picnic for Youth Mental Wellness!

When: Saturday, October 11, 2025, 9:30am
Where: Hilma Colton Park (9410 Laguna Springs Dr, Elk Grove, CA 95758)

Join us for a morning dedicated to youth mental wellness! We'll start with a refreshing walk along the Elk Grove Trail from Hilma Colton Park, then relax with a picnic to connect with friends and family in the community.

All are welcome – come take a step toward positivity with us!

Local Community Resource Tables

Animal Therapy On-Site

Free Commemorative Walk T-shirt (For the First 100 People)

Scan to Sign Up:

elkgrove.gov/youthcommission
 Follow us on Instagram: @elkgroveyouthcommission

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.

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.

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.

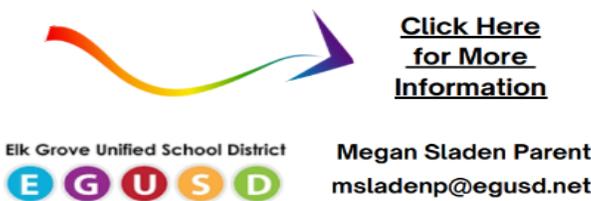
Plan a few extra minutes, and bring your patience and flexibility.

Law enforcement may be present to ensure safety!

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



[Click Here for More Information](#)

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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



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!

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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 @ McGarvey** and let her know!

T.K. PARAEDUCATOR

3 Positions
 • A Track AM & PM
 • C Track PM
 • Part Time

