



WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Principal's Corner

Our 6th graders had a great time at Sly Park! Check out some pictures on page 3!

I'm super proud of our McGarvey students and families for the strong start with Fun Run fundraising. Can't wait 'til Friday!!

Griffen Strong... All Day Long! ♥ Dr. Mitchell

B & C Track Fun Run Times

Friday, March 7

- 11:30-12:15 - 3rd & 4th Grades
- 12:30-1:15 - 5th & 6th Grades
- 1:30-2:15 - 1st & 2nd Grades
- 2:30-3:15 - Kinder & TK

Only registered volunteers & registered runners are allowed on the field!



Open-Minded Griffins!

Responsible Griffins S.O.A.R.!

We are **S**afe, **O**pen-Minded, **A**ccountable, and **R**esilient!

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

Kindergarten/TK
Sona
Haya
Cali S.
Emily

1st Grade
Colton
Will
Chris

2nd Grade
Iqra
Chinmayee
Teagan
Layla
Nikki

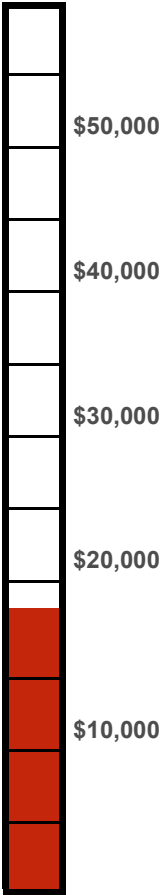
3rd Grade
Yogitha
Lincoln

4th Grade
Arad
Leona
Austin

5th Grade
BJ
Payton
Marie

6th Grade
(at camp)

Fun Run UPDATE



\$18,366 raised so far!!

THANK YOU! KEEP IT UP!

Students must be registered with liability waiver signed by Thursday 3/6/25 at 5:00 to participate. (scan or click the Fun Run flyer at left)

Unregistered students won't be allowed on the field :(

Fundraising is open until 3/13 to meet challenges and earn prizes.

Fun Run VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

For insurance liability reasons, **only registered parent volunteers and registered student participants are allowed on the field** at the Fun Run.

If you want to watch your child, please register as a volunteer. 30 essential slots are listed here. Once those slots are filled, additional slots will be opened.



(scan or click)

The PFO will accommodate all parents who want to be there.

We need at least 30 volunteers to make the day happen!

Spectators & children who are not McGarvey students may watch through the fence, but cannot be on campus.

No dogs allowed.

2025 GRIFFIN FUN RUN

WHO: B AND C TRACK STUDENTS

WHEN: FUNDRAISING KICKOFF 2/14/2025
FUN RUN RACE 3/7/2025



HOW TO GET STARTED:

REGISTER EACH STUDENT ON OUR PLEDGESTAR SCHOOL SITE BY EITHER GOING TO THIS LINK:

[HTTPS://PLEDGESTAR.COM/MCGARVEY/](https://pledgestar.com/mcgarvey/)

OR SCANNING THE QR CODE BELOW!



REGISTER	KEYCHAIN & T-SHIRT*
\$25	GRIFFIN WATER BOTTLE
\$50	GREEN SHOP VOUCHER
\$100	GRIFFIN HEAD BAND
\$200	YELLOW SHOP VOUCHER
\$300	BLUE SHOP VOUCHER
\$400	3D PRINT PEN
\$500	PLINKO FOR GIFT CARD

THANK YOU TO OUR FUN RUN SPONSORS!



ROBERT MCGARVEY ELEMENTARY PARENT FACULTY ORGANIZATION

Fun Run CHALLENGE

Congratulations to **Mrs. Guertin's** and **Mrs. Derfield's** classes, who are practically TIED for 1st place. Each class has already raised \$3,400! For meeting last week's challenge, both classes earned a sundae party!

Mr. Huscher's class earned 10 minutes extra recess for the biggest increase in funds raised. They went from \$700 to \$1900 in just 1 week!!

THIS WEEK'S CHALLENGE: Let's hit \$20,000 by Thursday & pie teachers and staff in the face!



Reminder about Cell Phones & Smart Watches

While students are allowed to have 'mobile communication devices' on campus, **student cell phones and smart watches must be turned off and put away at all times while on campus.** Devices may be used when students are off-campus. To protect our learning environment, devices in-use on campus will be collected by an administrator and kept in the school office for a parent to pick up.



CHICK'S 500 FUNDRAISER

FOR ROBERT MCGARVEY ELEMENTARY PFO

10% OF SALES WILL BE DONATED TO THE PFO



WEDNESDAY, MARCH 12
TIME: ALL DAY!

4040 SUNRISE BLVD #100, RANCHO CORDOVA, CA 95742

BRING IN FLYER OR
MENTION "MCGARVEY SCHOOL"

VOLLEYBALL TRYOUTS

Monday 3/3
Tuesday 3/4
Wednesday 3/5

3:45-5:00



Volleyball is a co-ed sport. All 5th & 6th graders are encouraged to try out!

School Site Council Agenda

Thursday 3/6/25
5:30-6:30
ZOOM
Meeting ID 827 9322 2750
Passcode 562126

- Review & Approval of Minutes
- Update Site LCAP Actions & Services
- Site LCAP Evaluation
- Proposed Movement of Funds

Important Dates

March

- 3-7 - National School Breakfast Week
- 3-5 - Volleyball Tryouts 3:45 in the MP
- 6 - SSC Spring Meeting
- 7 - Fun Run (Tracks B & C)
- 11 - 9:30 B & C Track Awards
- 12 - Lockdown Drill
- 12 - 4:00 In-Person PFO Mtg
- 13 - OPEN HOUSE (B & C)
- 19 & 20 - Spring Family Picnic
- 21 - Track Change Day Minimum Day (B goes off)
- 21 - Griffin Gala and Griffin Store
- 21 - Spirit Day: Career Day
- 21 - Dine Out Day with Panda Express
- 24 & 25 - Spring Family Picnic
- 27 - 3:00 Talent Show Practice
- 28 - C & D Track Teacher Appreciation

April

- 3 - Fun Run (Tracks A & D)
- 3 - 3:00 Talent Show Practice
- 9 - PFO Meeting (Zoom)
- 10 - OPEN HOUSE (A & D)
- 15 - Spring Pictures (C & D)
- 15-16 - 5th Grade Science Camp (C & D)
- 23 (Wed) - Track Change Day Minimum Day (C goes off)
- 23 - Griffin Gala and Griffin Store
- 25 - Fun Run (Tracks A & D)

National School Breakfast Week



Can you keep a secret?



CLUE
In

Eat breakfast March 3rd - 7th for a chance to win a SPY PACK!



#NSBW25



Cold & Flu Season

Colds & flus are taking a second lap around McGarvey. Please stay alert and take precautions. If you're feeling unwell, stay home. Maintain good hygiene practices like washing your hands regularly and covering your cough.

To return to school, students must be fever-free for 24 hours without the use of fever-reducing medication.



TIKIZ will be here every Thursday

SUPPORT OUR MCGARVEY GRIFFINS



Thursday, March 6

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](https://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."





6th Grade Camp!



Message from the Superintendent

Dear EGUSD Families, Students and Staff,


As a diverse school district, Elk Grove Unified is committed to the safety, well-being, and education of all our students, families, and staff members. Our School Board has adopted Board policy (BP/AR 5145.13) that protects access to student information or to students on school grounds. We recognize the increased anxiety surrounding recent executive orders related to immigration and understand the challenges and uncertainties many of our students, families, and staff members are facing. For many in our community, the weight of these uncertainties can be overwhelming.

We are actively monitoring these changes and want to reaffirm our unwavering commitment to making our campuses safe and welcoming places where all students, families, and staff feel a sense of belonging regardless of immigration status or national origin.

In addition to Board policy (BP/AR 5145.13) in place, which outlines how we respond to immigration enforcement, federal and state laws protect student education records and personal information. Please know that our district does not collect immigration or citizenship data. There are also many state and county resources available to our community, and we encourage you to access them. For our community’s benefit, [here is a link to some of these resources](#) on our EGUSD website. We will continue to update this page regularly to reflect the latest information.

As we move forward, it is important that we continue to support our students, their families, and each other. Our partnership with parents and the broader community is essential in creating learning environments where all students learn and are empowered to succeed. Thank you for all you do to help ensure our schools are safe and welcoming places where every single student is seen, heard and valued.

Sincerely,
Your EGUSD Leadership Team



CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

IMMIGRATION-ENFORCEMENT ACTIONS
AT CALIFORNIA SCHOOLS
GUIDE FOR STUDENTS AND FAMILIES

KNOW YOUR EDUCATIONAL RIGHTS

YOUR CHILD HAS THE RIGHT TO A FREE PUBLIC EDUCATION

- All children have a right to equal access to free public education, regardless of their or their parents’/guardians’ immigration status.
- All children in California:
 - Have the right to a free public education.
 - Must be enrolled in school if they are between 6 and 18 years old.
 - Have the right to attend safe, secure, and peaceful schools.
 - Have a right to be in a public school learning environment free from discrimination, harassment, bullying, violence, and intimidation.
 - Have equal opportunity to participate in any program or activity offered by the school without discrimination.

INFORMATION REQUIRED FOR SCHOOL ENROLLMENT

- Schools must accept a variety of documents from the student’s parent or guardian to demonstrate proof of child’s age or residency and schools are not required to keep a copy of the document used as proof of a child’s age.
- Information about citizenship/immigration status is never needed for school enrollment. A Social Security number is never needed for school enrollment.

CONFIDENTIALITY OF PERSONAL INFORMATION

- Federal and state laws protect student education records and personal information. These laws generally require that schools get written consent from parents or guardians before releasing student information, unless the release of information is for educational purposes, is already public, or is in response to a court order or subpoena.
- Some schools collect and provide publicly basic student “directory information.” If so, the school district must provide parents/ guardians with written notice of the directory information policy, and provide the option to refuse release of your child’s information.

FAMILY SAFETY PLANS IF YOU ARE DETAINED OR DEPORTED

- You can update your child’s emergency contact information, including secondary contacts, to identify a trusted adult guardian who can care for your child if you are detained or deported.
- You can complete a Caregiver’s Authorization Affidavit or a Petition for Appointment of Temporary Guardian of the Person to give a trusted adult the authority to make educational and medical decisions for your child.

RIGHT TO FILE A COMPLAINT


- Your child has the right to report a hate crime or file a complaint to the school district if he or she is discriminated against, harassed, intimidated or bullied because of his or her actual or perceived nationality, ethnicity, or immigration status.

For more information on resources for responding to immigration enforcement activities at California schools, or to file a complaint, please contact:

Bureau of Children’s Justice
California Attorney General’s Office
P.O. Box 944255
Sacramento, CA 94244-2550

Phone: (800) 952-5225
E-mail: BCJ@doj.ca.gov
<https://oag.ca.gov/bcj/complaint>

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Q&A:

Serving Undocumented
Students Information



Lozano Smith
ATTORNEYS AT LAW

Are undocumented students entitled to a free public elementary and secondary school education?

Yes. Public schools are prohibited from denying undocumented students a free public education. (*Plyler v. Doe* (1982) 457 U.S. 202.) Under *Plyler*, the undocumented or non-citizen status of a student (or his/her parent or guardian) is irrelevant to that student’s entitlement to an elementary and secondary public education.

Can I ask a student questions regarding his/her immigration status?

No. The District should never ask a student, or the parent/guardian of the student, questions regarding citizenship or immigration status. (See U.S. Dept. of J. and U.S. Dept. of Ed. Fact Sheet: Information on the Rights of All Children to Enroll in School, <https://www.justice.gov/sites/default/files/crt/legacy/2014/05/08/plylerfact.pdf>.) A student’s citizenship or immigration status is not relevant in establishing residency requirements. (OCR Dear Colleague Letter, May 8, 2014.)

What kind of documents must an undocumented student provide to establish proof of residency for enrollment purposes?

Undocumented students wishing to enroll in a school may establish residency by providing the same documents as required by other students. For example, this may include a rental agreement or payment, correspondence from a government agency, a declaration of residency executed by the parent/guardian of the student, utility bills or other documents. (Ed. Code, § 48204.1.)

Schools should be cognizant, however, that school enrollment cannot be denied to a student, undocumented or otherwise, who is homeless and unable to show that he/she lives within the district’s boundaries.

What kind of documents can a school request to establish an undocumented student’s age?

Schools are permitted to request documentation to show that a student falls within a school’s minimum and maximum age requirements. (Ed. Code, § 48002, Cal. Code Regs., tit. 5, § 432, subd. (b)(1)(B).) Acceptable documents for establishing age include a birth certificate, an affidavit from a parent, or previously verified school records. (See U.S. Dept. of J. and U.S. Dept. of Ed. Fact Sheet: Information on the Rights of All Children to Enroll in School, <https://www.justice.gov/sites/default/files/crt/legacy/2014/05/08/plyler-fact.pdf>.)

It should be noted, however, that although a school may request the aforementioned documents, a student cannot be prevented from enrolling or attending at a school because he or she lacks a birth certificate, or has records indicating a foreign place of birth. **There is no legal requirement for the district to retain a copy of the birth certificate in its records.**

Are undocumented students entitled to participate in extracurricular school activities and other school services?

Yes. Unless an activity does not contribute to educational goals, and the denial of participation furthers a substantial state goal, the activity is likely protected under *Plyler*’s guarantee of access to education. Because there are strong arguments that extracurricular activities are central to the student’s educational experience, undocumented students should have the right to participate in those activities. This right extends to services related to transportation, special education, Section 504 services, and free and reduced meals.

Is an undocumented student entitled to the same privacy rights under the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act as other students?

Yes. All students within a school district are entitled to privacy rights with regard to each student’s educational records, under the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (“FERPA”) (20 U.S.C. § 1232g; 34 C.F.R. § 99.1 et seq.), as well as under California law (Ed. Code, § 49060 et seq.). Under FERPA, a school district may disclose “directory information” to certain entities, so long as the school district has given the student/parents notice and an opportunity to refuse to disclose such directory information. What categories of directory information that will be released is a question determined at district level through board policy. (Ed. Code, § 49073, subd. (a).) Other records related to a student’s education at the school district, and which are personally identifiable, are protected under FERPA and state law from unauthorized disclosure.

May an Immigration and Customs Enforcement (“ICE”) agent obtain otherwise private student records by way of a valid subpoena, search warrant, or court order?

Yes. Prior to releasing otherwise private student records to ICE, the superintendent should review the subpoena, search warrant, or court order, and consult with legal counsel, to determine the scope of the subpoena, warrant or court order, and whether it is genuine. In the case of search warrants, the school district will have little time to conduct a review of the documents. If the ICE agent is willing to cooperate with the school district and its legal counsel, the parties should coordinate to achieve compliance with the warrant that minimizes the disruption to school operations. Subpoenas and court orders do not present the same level of immediacy as a search warrant.

What if ICE appears on campus without a subpoena, court order, or search warrant, no exigent circumstances, and requests protected student educational records?

Under the above circumstances, the school district must refuse to produce the requested documents in compliance with FERPA and the California Education Code provisions that prevent the unauthorized disclosure of student records.

Are school district personnel required to assist ICE in the enforcement of immigration laws?

While there are no laws mandating local school districts to assist ICE in the enforcement of immigration laws, school personnel are nonetheless strongly discouraged from *frustrating* law enforcement purposes. Actively resisting the efforts of ICE may result in legal consequences to school personnel. Under Title 18 United States Code section 111, it is unlawful for a person to willfully resist, oppose, impede, or interfere with any officer of the United States Government who is discharging or attempting to discharge his or her official duties. Furthermore, federal law prohibits any person from intentionally concealing, harboring, or shielding an undocumented person from detection, where that person’s unlawful immigration status is known. (8 U.S.C. § 1324.)