Robert J. McGarvey Elementary School

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"Wonder-Full" Wednesday Newsletter
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GRIFFIN NEWS

We are happy to welcome you back onto our campus! It gives an extra sense of community to see our parents and guardians walking their students to and from class. With that said, we do want to offer some guidelines for when you are on campus. First, you may walk your student to and from class but we ask that you refrain from standing in line with them. Physical distance between parents/guardians and the lines allow our teachers the space they need to greet students and get them into classes. At this point we are not allowed to have non-instructionally necessary visitors. Thank you for helping our school be the wonderful place that it is.

Reminder of our school times:

Minimum Day, Friday 13th:

All Kindergarten & Tk: 8:45 am-12:16 pm

1 - 6 Grades: 8:45 am-1:15 pm

Early Out Thursday:

AM Kindergarten & Tk: 8:45 am-12:16 pm
PM Kindergarten: 11:34 am-2:35 pm
1 - 6 Grades: 8:45 am-2:25 pm

Ms. Angela is headed to Tech Services - This will be my last Wednesday Newsletter. I have accepted a position in Tech Services at the district office. My last day is tomorrow, Thursday, Aug 12, 2021. McGarvey families are so amazing and I am lucky to have been able to serve you all these past 4 years. I will miss all of you dearly, but know that I will be around campus, as my three kids still attend McGarvey. I cherish every moment I have had with both students, families, & staff. Keep SOARing Griffins and I look forward to seeing you in the near future.

California PBIS Coalition is recognizing Robert J. McGarvey Elementary- We are proud to announce that our school is being recognized for Excellence in implementation of the core features of PBIS at the GOLD Level!!! Thank you to everyone for helping all our Griffins, tall and small, to SOAR and thrive!

Pick-ups and Drop-offs - We want to thank families for using the crosswalks while picking up and dropping off their children. We also want to thank families for patience and attentiveness while in our parking lot. We are noticing parents are driving slowly and being mindful of all the little ones that are around them. We do want to remind our parents that pick-up and drop-off should occur in the designated parking lane. Please do not use the parking lot area for picking up and dropping off of your child(ren), doing so causes delays and back-ups along the neighboring streets. You are welcome to park in the parking lot, walk your child(ren) safely through the parking area, cross them at the crosswalk and onto campus. Thank you for modeling how to be **S**afe, **O**pen-minded, **A**ccountable, and **R**esilient for our Griffins.

NFL Flag Football with Southgate Rec & Parks - This coed league is designed to teach the basics of the game and good sportsmanship. Click here for the informational flyer.

Optional Outside Picnic Style Lunch - All 1-6 grade students have the option to eat lunch outside on the quad, weather permitting. They are expected to follow all the same rules as inside, and will join their class before being excused to recess or returning to their class.

Spiritwear days - We love to show our Griffin pride throughout the school year. We have Tie-dye Tuesdays, (wear your favorite tie-dye shirt), Where Will You Go Wednesdays? (wear your college or career gear), and Griffin Pride Fridays (wear your Griffin Gear). It has been a beautiful sight to behold seeing your McGarvey pride expressed proudly during the first few weeks of school!

Do you ride your bike, scooter, or skateboard to school? Please sign up for our Active4me program. When you sign up you will receive a barcode for our parent volunteers to scan. Once scanned, you will receive a text message stating your child(ren) made it safely to school. You can sign up online or use this form and turn it into the office. If you have any questions, please contact Lindsay Miller at Lindsay.Miller1986@gmail.com. To find out more about this program please click on information.

EGUSD NEWS

Food and Nutrition Services Information- Free Meals for All - Under a waiver, provided by the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), Elk Grove USD Food & Nutrition Services is able to provide meals, free of charge, to all enrolled students. Enrolled students are eligible to receive breakfast and lunch for free. Free and reduced lunch forms will be coming home next Wednesday, if not sooner. We need all families to fill it out and return this form, no matter your income. This will help the district qualify for other services. August menus are available Breakfast Lunch

Online Incident Reporting System with 24/7 Access for Students and Parents - The EGUSD online Incident Reporting System offers students, parents, and community members a web accessible method to report incidents of bullying, discrimination and/or harassment, harm to school and/or property or harm to self. The Incident Reporting System can be accessed from anywhere online through a unique link located on every school's website. McGarvey's website is: http://blogs.egusd.net/mcgarvey/

IMPORTANT DATES to REMEMBER

Picture Days for All Tracks have been postponed - Recent guidance is to avoid having non-instructionally necessary visitors on campus. As a result, Picture Days have been postponed until we have revised guidance.

A Track Virtual Back to School Night- Thursday, August 12. You will receive zoom links from your teacher by Wednesday, August 11, they are also listed on our website/staff/grade level .

Track Change Day/Minimum Day - Friday, August 13
Reminder of school hours for track change day: **All** TK and Kinders: 8:45 am-12:16 pm
Grades 1-6: 8:45 am- 1:15 pm

Good-Bye B Track Students - We will see you back at school on Monday, September 13

First Day of School for A Track Students - Monday, August 16

Labor Day/School Holiday - Monday, September 6

Track Change Day/Minimum Day - Friday, September 10
Reminder of school hours for track change day: **All** TK and Kinders: 8:45 am-12:16 pm
Grades 1-6: 8:45 am- 1:15 pm

Good-Bye C Track Students - We will see you back at school on Monday, October 4

Welcome Back B Track Students-We will see you back at school on Monday, September 13