



Newsletter

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Principal's Message—Mr. Joseph Airoso

Dear Parents and Students,

It is hard to believe that two and half months of school have already gone by, we have already completed our first quarter and we are quickly approaching the holiday season soon.

By now you should have received your child's report card for first quarter. If you have any questions, please call the office.

Back to School Night

Our Back to School Night was Monday, September 20, 2010. Many parents and students attended! The Leadership Students gave a presentation on energy conservation and student activities. Many parents visited classrooms and spoke to their child's teachers.

ACE Mentor Program

We are happy that Calvine is continuing the ACE Mentor Program. The program provides career exploration for students who have an interest in one of the following careers: Architecture, Construction or Engineering. All students were invited to participate in the program. There are 6 adults who are from at least one of the three industries who provide information and expertise to the students. The students will attend lectures, field trips and complete a project.

California Exit Exam

ALL students must pass the California High School Exit Exams (CAHSEE) for Mathematics and English Language Arts, as well completing all Elk Grove Unified School District graduation requirements. Both exams will be given only twice this year.

The first test dates for math and English will be given on: **November 9th and 10th.**

Important Dates

Veterans Day—holiday
November 11th

Non School Days
November 22nd—23rd

Thanksgiving Break
November 24th—26th

Winter Break
December 20th—31st

Minimum Days/Staff Development Days

Next dates are:

Friday, October 15th

Friday, December 17th

Friday, March 11th

Wednesday, April 13th

Friday, May 13th

*****Thursday, May 19th

Friday, May 20th

*****indicates Graduation Day/
PM Minimum Day Schedule.

School Web Page

For up to date news and information please visit our school web page at:

www.egusd.net/calvine

Food Faire

Our first food faire was held on October 1st and it was a success. The next food faire will be December 10th. Tickets will be sold the week of the food faire. Support your school by buying a ticket!



ID Cards

School photos and ID cards were taken on October 7th. We can expect ID cards to be ready by the first week of November.



Counselor's Corner— Lisa Flores

Calvine High School's comprehensive counseling program addresses the academic, social, personal and emotional needs of its students, families, school staff and community at large. We teach that a diploma is not the end, but rather the beginning of a lifelong journey. We intend to transition our students directly into their choice of college, or a career, or both! This will require the full support of school and family.

We have established a partnership with Cosumnes River College (CRC) and encourage students to begin their college education while still enrolled at Calvine High School. Credits earned will be applied toward college, as well as toward fulfilling their high school graduation requirements. This is an inexpensive way to get a head start on college, while maintaining the support and guidance of the counselors and staff at Calvine High School.

We will be conducting an orientation for signups for spring classes at any one of the Los Rios College Campuses in late November. There will be announcements and fliers sent home to keep you informed of the specific dates and other pertinent information.

I am very excited to announce that we will be starting a new program of adult mentoring that is sponsored by a federal grant through SCOE. The program is called "Link Mentoring" and we hope to

start the first week of October. SCOE is training 15 adult volunteers from the community to work with our students one-on-one. The mentors will meet with our students once a week for an hour. Students will be recommended to the Link-Mentoring program by the staff here at Calvine. They need to be students that attend regularly and are working at earning credits toward graduation. If this program is successful we could possibly get an additional 15 more mentors. This is a new program and we are one of only 4 schools in the county that have this opportunity. If you have any questions regarding this program you can call Calvine High School and speak to Ron, Deb, or Lisa.

New to Calvine this year is our APEX Online Coursework for credit recovery. We have seven spaces available for any student who is interested in earning five credits per semester toward credit recovery. Students will need to register first and then will be able to take their subject of interest online at Calvine High School. In order to register, they will need to see the counselor, Lisa Flores, to get the registration application.

Please note, your student is expected to earn at least 20 credits per quarter. Failure to earn 20 credits will result in your student being placed on academic probation and jeopardizing their enrollment at Calvine High School.

An important milestone for completing graduation requirements is the California High School Exit Exams (CAHSEEs). Our first testing dates are November 9 & 10, 2010. Practice tests can be found on our website at <http://www.egusd.net/Calvine/CAHSEE.html>

If you would like to make an appointment with your student's counselor please feel free to contact Calvine High School at (916) 689-7502, or email us through our website at <http://www.egusd.net/calvine/index.html>.

The Elk Grove Unified School District offers many valuable resources for parents at <http://www.egusd.k12.ca.us/parents/resources.htm>.



Important Dates

School Photos

October 7, 2010

School Photo Re-take Day

November 8, 2010

CAHSEE Exams

November 9 & 10, 2010

Open House

March 21, 2011

Graduation Day

May 19, 2011

Last day of school

May 20, 2011

Holidays/Non-School Days

November 11 Veterans Day

November 22, 23 Furlough Days

November 24-26 Thanksgiving Break

December 20-31 Winter Break

January 17 Martin L. King Day

February 14 Lincoln's Birthday

February 21 Washington's Birthday

April 18-22 Spring Break

Minimum Days

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School Leadership Activities

Ron Eggert's school Leadership class have been organizing school activities.

What is Leadership? By Myiisa Redd

A leader is someone that can be depended on; a leader is someone that can be easy to get along with; a leader is someone who is outgoing; a leader is someone that is on top of their game; a leader is CALVINE Leadership Class!

A leader is a person that guides you towards a common goal and also shows you how to get there.

A leader is a person that is always positive and never puts another person down even when they make mistakes. A leader is person that is not necessarily the boss, but a person you can come and talk to and ask for help when you need it. In a leader, there are many different qualities:

- Good listener
- Focused
- Organized
- Available
- Include others

At Calvine, we're doing a lot of different activities that help both the school and community. We all work as a team. There is not just one leader. Our planned activities are: Back to School Night (Sept. 20th), Coats for Kids (9/7-10/6), Spirit/Red Ribbon Week (10/23-10/31), Cover the Cough (January), and Pennies for Patients (February), and a Blood Drive (March). Calvine Leadership is a youth organization that helps everyone understand what being a leader really is.



Cell Phones and other Electronic Devices

Electric devices, cell phones, radios, dice, IPODS, MP3 players, tape/CD/DVD players, and headphones are not allowed on campus. Pagers and hand held games may be used **before** and **after** school – **ONLY**. These items **may not** be used during class time, passing time, and during breaks. Additionally, all electronic devices and **are not to be displayed or seen and should be turned off other than before**

and after school.

Consequences for violating the policy are as follows: First Offense– Item confiscated and returned to parent/guardian

Second Offense– Item will result in a one day home suspension for continued defiance.

Third Offense- will result in a three day home suspension for continued

defiance and parent meeting with Principal prior to student returning to school. If it is necessary for the student to either call or contact a parent/guardian, students will be issued a pass to the office to use the office phone. If a parent, finds it necessary to contact their student while at school, please call the office at 689-7502 and a message will be delivered to the student.

Please help us maintain an environment conducive for learning.

Health Notice

The Sacramento County Department of Public Health (SCPH) has asked that we share information with you regarding pertussis (also called whooping cough). Currently, California is experiencing an epidemic of pertussis.

While pertussis can cause a violent cough at any age, it can be deadly to infants. The SCPH has asked school districts to assist in sharing information about pertussis with our parents.

Pertussis starts out like a common cold and is often followed, within days, by severe coughing spells. It should be noted that infants may not cough and the disease may be milder in older children and adults. If you suspect that you, or anyone in your family, might have pertussis, you should seek medi-

cal care promptly.

Please note that there is a vaccine to protect your children and family against pertussis. Although you and your child may have been immunized between infancy and kindergarten, this protection wears off over time. A booster shot is recommended for all children and adults 10 years of age and older to help prevent getting pertussis, especially if there is a new baby at home or coming soon.

Pertussis vaccines have been proven to be safe and effective. The most common side-effect is soreness at the injection site.

If you need further information, please contact your child's health

care provider. If you don't have health insurance, ask your local health department about the Vaccines for Children Program. This program provides free vaccines to children 18 years of age and younger.

In the meantime, we ask that you take some time to speak to your student again about the importance of following proper hand washing procedures, and covering coughs and sneezes with a tissue or sleeve.

More information about pertussis can be found at www.cdph.ca.gov or www.sacdhhs.com.

Minimum Days/Staff Development Schedule

Minimum Days: 11:30 a.m.

Friday, October 15th ***Indicates Graduation Day and Afternoon Minimum Day Schedule.

Friday, December 17th Below is our Minimum Day Schedule when AM and PM students report to school at 12:30 p.m. on May 19th:

Friday, March 11th

Wednesday, April 13th

Friday, May 13th	Advisory 4	12:30	12:50
***Thursday, May 19th	5	12:50	1:45
Friday, May 20th	6	1:45	2:35
Minimum Day Schedule	7	2:35	3:30

For minimum day schedule, all AM and PM students will report to school 8:30 a.m. and will be dismissed at

Dismissal 3:30 pm



Elk Grove Unified School District Mission Statement:

- Develop in all students confidence in their ability to fulfill their unique potential, intellectually, physically, and emotionally.
- Educate students to be effective thinkers and learners now and for the future.
- Teach students about our diverse culture and develop in them a respect for and appreciation of that culture.
- Prepare students with the skills and knowledge to become ethical and responsible citizens, family members, and workers.

Calvine High School Mission Statement:

The mission of Calvine High School (CHS) is to enable students to attain standards of academic excellence that prepare them for responsible citizenship, lifelong learning, and productive employment in our ever-changing world.

Scholarship Information

Elk Grove Community Foundation scholarship applications will be available after December 1, 2010 for Elk Grove Unified School District senior students planning to attend a trade school, four year university/college, or community college after high school graduation. Scholarships will be awarded to high school students graduating in 2011, and many of the scholarships are based on a student's experiences and career choice rather than on a high grade point average.

In 2010, the Foundation awarded 140 scholarships in the total amount of

\$128,000. In 2011, the Foundation again will provide scholarships in amounts ranging from \$250 to \$2,500.

After December 1st, information about the scholarships, along with scholarship applications, will be available at: www.egcommunityfoundation.org or from your school counselor. The deadline for applying is January 27, 2011 by mail or the student can give the application to the school counselor by January 21, 2011 so she can help the student correct any errors in the application.

We encourage all students who plan on receiving additional education after high school to apply for these scholarships.



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Participation in High School Graduation Ceremony

The Governing Board of Education recognizes that each student who receives a high school diploma has met the standards of proficiency established by the school district. The specific requirements for receipt of a high school diploma are set forth in Board Policy 6146.

The Board further recognizes that participation in the high school graduation ceremony is a *privilege* for each student, and the Board seeks to encourage and support student participation in the high school graduation ceremony but without compromising student achievement and good citizenship during the senior year of high school. To encourage and support the purpose and integrity of the high school educational program during the senior year, the Board establishes the following minimum requirements for each student for participation in the high school graduation ceremony.

Achievement

During the spring semester prior to

graduation, a student must earn 25 credits to participate in the graduation ceremony.

Good Citizenship

A senior student who has received an off-campus suspension from school in the spring semester will be notified in writing that if a second off-campus suspendable offense occurs, he/she will not be eligible to participate in the graduation ceremony. A senior student with a second off-campus suspension will be denied the privilege of participating in the graduation ceremony.

A senior may not attend the graduation ceremony while under off-campus suspension, even if the off-campus suspension is the first off-campus suspension of the student during the senior year.

The principal of each high school will revoke a student's privilege to participate in the high school graduation ceremony if these minimum standards are not met in any of the two

areas in accordance with school rules which provide for due process.

Each high school student and parent/guardian shall receive annual notification of this policy. High school seniors shall also receive additional information of the policy at the beginning of the second semester.

Invocations and/or benedictions shall not be included in graduation ceremonies. Ceremonies or programs involving prayer for graduates may not be sponsored by the school or district.



Ordering Caps and Gowns

Ordering from Jostens:

Jostens will be on campus on Thursday, January 20, 2011 from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Order class rings at this time. Caps and gowns will be sold in our front office for \$85.00 (cash only) beginning May 3, 2011.



Graduation Day

May 19, 2011

Sheldon High School

Performing Arts Center

(Attendance by ticket only)



Visit Our **Calvine High School Website**

at

www.egusd.net/calvine

Expected School-wide Learning Results (ESLRs)

These skills describe the academic and life skills which are needed for success in post-secondary and career challenges. The following is a list of the skills that students will demonstrate prior to graduation. The Calvine High School program will produce:

Prepared Scholars who

- Demonstrate the ability to read, write and compute to begin a successful college/vocational career.
- Demonstrate the ability to communicate orally with a variety of audiences.

Responsible Citizens who

- Demonstrate civic values and ethics including honesty, respect, and responsibility.
- Demonstrate personal planning, self-awareness, and the need for life long learning.

Productive Workers who

- Demonstrate the ability to work independently and in groups to solve problems and create products of quality.
- Demonstrate the ability to use current technology and adapt to technological changes.



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Western Association of Schools and Colleges

The Western Association of Schools and Colleges or WASC, is recognized as one of six regional associations that accredit public and private schools, colleges, and universities in the United States. This accreditation cycle occurs usually every six years. The accreditation review analyzes all aspects of the school program in great detail before authorizing accreditation for additional time.



Calvine High School was last accredited in 2005, and is currently undergoing review for the next accreditation visit scheduled for April 2011. Parent input is an important part of the Calvine High School focus on the school community. Please contact the school and (916) 689-7502 if you wish to participate in our accreditation process this year.

