

Calvine High School

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Newsletter

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Principal's Message—Mr. Joseph Airoso

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Dear Parents and Students,

It is hard to believe that two and half months of school have already gone by, that 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 19, 2011. Many parents and students attended! The Leadership Students gave a presentation on 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 English and Math will be given on: **November 1st and 2nd.**

Important Dates

Veterans Day—holiday
November 11

Non School Days
November 21-22

Thanksgiving Break
November 23-25

Winter Break
December 19-January 2

Minimum Days/Staff Development Days

Next dates are:

December 15

December 16

March 9

May 11

****May 18*

May 21

*****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

Campus and Student Supervision

We ask that all students be picked up promptly at 11:30 a.m. for the morning program and at 3:30 p.m. for the afternoon program. Please assist us by making concrete plans to pick up your student in a timely manner. Supervision of students begins at 8:00 a.m. Students arriving before 8:00 a.m. must wait outside until campus supervisor is on duty.



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.

Presentations are continuous throughout the year. This is when students have the opportunity to attend presentations from the local Junior College, Trade Schools, and Vocational Schools. The goal of these presentations is for students to start thinking about their plans for graduation. We scheduled the following presentations recently :

Heald College

Sacramento City College

Cosumnes River College

ASVAB (administered for interested students)

I am very excited to announce that we continued with our Links Mentoring program on September 12th. This program is sponsored by a federal grant through SCOE. Links Mentoring is a program where adult volun



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 1 & 2, 2011. 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 6

School Photo Re-take Day

November 7

CAHSEE Exams

November 1-2

Open House

March 19

Graduation Day

May 18

Last day of school

May 21

Holidays/Non-School Days

November 11 Veterans Day

November 21, 22 Furlough Days

November 23-25 Thanksgiving Break

December 19-January 2 Winter Break

January 16 Martin L. King Day

February 13 Lincoln's Birthday

February 20 Washington's Birthday

April 2-6 Spring Break

Electronic Device Policy

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.



Scholarships

Elk Grove Community Foundation scholarship applications will be available after December 1, 2011 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 2012, and many of the scholarships are based on a student's experiences and career choice rather than on a high grade point average.

In 2011, the Foundation awarded 166 scholarships in the total amount of \$134,400. In 2012, the Foundation will provide scholarships in amounts ranging from \$500 to approximately \$1875. After December 1, 2011, information about scholarships, along with scholarship applications, will be available at:

www.egcommunityfoundation.org

or from your school counselor. The deadline for applying is January 31, 2012 by mail or the student can give the application to the school counselor by January 20, 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.



Minimum Days/Staff Development Schedule

Minimum Days:

Thursday, December 15th

Friday, December 16th

Friday, March 9th

Friday, May 11th

***Friday, May 18th

Monday, May 21st

***Indicates Graduation Day and Afternoon Minimum Day Schedule. The Minimum Day schedule below is for May 18, 2012.

Advisory 4	12:30	12:50
5	12:50	1:45
6	1:45	2:35
7	2:35	3:30
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.

Calvine Leadership Class

By Oliver Chapman IV

Elite. A word that can be used to describe the character of a group. A stable rather. A team of players who are determined, punctual, and attentive. A team recognized with the trait of being “elite,” can only be a prestige held by one class. The Calvine Leadership Class—where guidance is an obligation and availability to assist our community is a mandatory self aspiration. The necessity to include and improve the progression of others is what classifies the Calvine Leadership Class as “elite” leaders.

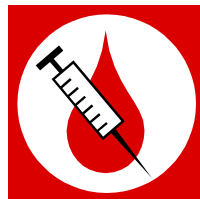
These immodest titles weren’t given undecorated. We tend to our community through many public service activities for our city’s youth and matured individuals. We’ve organized three upcoming community service events for our youth. The first in line is Project Ride, which took place in September. Project Ride is a program designed to tend to the practical social abilities of children by way of therapy through guided horseback riding. Volunteers will lead these children into advanced social and trusting skills.



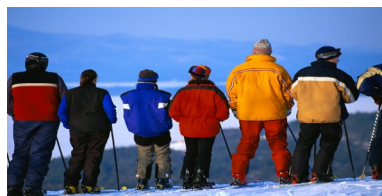
During November and December we will be holding two more events targeting the aid of children: Coats for Kids & Kids’ Canned Food Drive. Both events will be offered to assist our under privileged youth. Coats for Kids will be distributing winter coats to children in need. The Kids’ Canned Food Drive will be donating food to families and children of families in need of assistance.

Community Service events being held for all age groups, based on circumstances took place in October 2011 and will take place in February 2012. The scheduled event is Red Ribbon Week. This event of course is to promote drug prevention awareness. Pennies for Patients, our February event, is a cancer fundraising organization created to raise capital for patients with insufficient health plans, and the curing of various cancers.

In addition to our upcoming events, we have already held one prosperous community event this year. Our more than successful blood drive in early September by Sacramento Blood Source, received 25 pints of blood. In accordance with this achievement, we also gained eighteen new blood donors.



These are only minute achievements in reference to the goals we have set as a class—the Calvine Leadership Class—elite thinkers and problem solvers: the definition of a leader.



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

Purchase your cap, gown, and tassel in the office for \$19.15—cash only beginning May 3rd through May 10, 2012. The caps and gowns will be delivered on May 11, 2012—the day of the Rehearsal. There will be a free hot dog lunch for Graduating Seniors following rehearsal at Calvine High School in the Mutli-purpose Room on May 11th at noon (12:00 p.m.) Caps and gowns that are pre-paid will be distributed in the Multi-purpose Room after lunch is served. **No sales on the day of Rehearsal.**

Purchase extra tickets for graduation in the office for \$15.00—cash only beginning May 3rd through May 17th, 2012 **(No refunds—First come/first served and while supplies last)**



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.



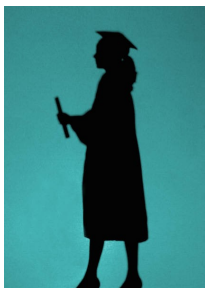
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Graduation Information

All graduating students will be required to attend a mandatory graduation rehearsal on Friday, May 11, 2012 at noon (12:00 p.m.) at Calvine High School. Please mark this on your calendars.



Calvine High School's Graduation will be held at the Sheldon Performing Arts Center on Friday, May 18, 2012 at 9:30 a.m.

