




WEEK AT A GLANCE

Week of 12/15- 12/19

Dear Cordova Gardens Families,

Here is your gardens' week at a glance (The EAGLE'S Nest). This is a weekly update that is posted every Sunday before the start of the school week. It is a place for you to get updates regarding the school and the district. This week at a glance, a document will also be available for you on the website on the parent tab under the "Week at a Glance" sub tab.

How to stay updated:

1. Check the week at a glance. It will be uploaded to the school website.
2. Check the main school website. Click [Cordova Gardens Academy of Arts and Sciences](#)
3. Check for Principal Texts. (Email Mr. Bliss if you do not receive them)
4. Welcome Back Title I presentation 8/14/25:  [Cordova Gardens Title I Presentation 25-26 .pdf](#)

Health and Wellness Corner

- Please read our updates regarding the district partnership with Care Solace!
- Teleotherapy information can be found here: [Click here](#)
- Mental Health Moment:

Self-Care

It is very important for all people to take care of themselves, and it is never too soon for children to start doing self-care. Some simple examples of self-care are being creative, taking a brain break, solving a puzzle, cuddling with a teddy bear, taking a nap, and being kind. Please click [Self-Care Checklist](#) for additional information regarding this topic. For any SEL or mental health related questions/concerns, please reach out to Jessica Biskner (School Social Worker), jbiskner@fcusd.org.

Attendance Corner

- Don't miss out on school!
- Educational research shows that early childhood educational success is directly linked to higher rates of attendance.
- We will be incentivizing positive attendance throughout the year. Attending students will be eligible for attendance prizes. Students may be coming home with prizes!
- Please call the front office or email the school clerk at acalderon@fcusd.org if your child will be absent from school.
- Please provide a doctor's note to excuse missed time or absences for appointments.
- If your student will be absent from school for a period of 3-15 consecutive school days due to travel or another reason, please contact our office at least 10 school days prior to the leave of absence to request an Independent Study Agreement to avoid "unexcused absences".

Beginning next Monday, December 8th, we are kicking off our 10-day countdown to Winter Break! Attached is a copy of the card that will be given to each student with the theme of the day. These cards will be placed in the teacher's boxes to distribute to each student. This is intended to have a spirit theme for each day that is also tied to student attendance.

Guidelines:

- Student will keep their card in their desk
- If the student is present and participating in the day's theme, the teacher will initial the box of the day on their card (*Suggested: have student pull out their card for initialing right after taking daily attendance in Power Teacher*)
- Prizes will be provided to student's that complete between 1-9 days.
- If a student has their full card initialed on day 10, their name will be entered into a raffle for a bigger prize.
- All prizes will be provided on the Friday prior to Winter Break in your classroom.

Thank you for your help and support as always! Let us know if you have any questions or concerns!



HOLIDAY COUNTDOWN
10 DAYS UNTIL WINTER BREAK

	10 DAYS Monday, Dec 8 Deck Your Neck Wear a holiday scarf, necklace, or other accessories	9 DAYS Tuesday, Dec 9 Feeling Frosty Wear silver, blue, and white
8 DAYS Wednesday, Dec 10 Mistle-Toes Wear holiday socks	7 DAYS Thursday, Dec 11 Tree Topper Wear a festive hat or hair accessory	6 DAYS Friday, Dec 12 Channel Your Flannel Wear some cozy flannel
5 DAYS Monday, Dec 15 Don't Be A Grinch Wear red and green	4 DAYS Tuesday, Dec 16 Holiday Glow Up Wear something shiny or bright	3 DAYS Wednesday, Dec 17 Sweater Weather Wear an ugly holiday sweater
2 DAYS Thursday, Dec 18 Sleigh All Day Wear your nicest holiday outfit	1 DAY Friday, Dec 19 Long Winter's Nap Wear holiday pajamas	

IT TAKES A VILLAGE



TOGETHER, WE CAN PUT FOOD ON THE TABLE

HOW CAN YOU HELP:

- Donate unexpired, non-perishable items.
- Also accepting diapers, wipes, formula, and clothing (all sizes).
- Drop off in the front office.



Our Gardens community is strong, resilient and rooted in compassion. This is our moment to lift and support each other.

FOOD & CLOTHES CLOSET:

- Open to all CGA families & staff in need.
- Hours: (NOV/DEC)
 - Monday 3:00-3:45
 - Wednesday 3:00-3:45
 - Friday 3:00-3:45
- Through the gate on the left side of the office.
- Feel free to reach out to number below to arrange alternate pick up if needed.



Drop off Location: CGA Community Schools or Front Office
Questions? Call/Txt Alexa Trotter 916-693-7912
email: atrotter@FCUSD.org

Upcoming Dates:

Character Assembly 845-915	12/18/2025
Minimum Day 1:21 release Friday	12/19/2025
Winter Break, no school	12/22/2025
Winter Break, no school	12/23/2025
Winter Break, no school	12/24/2025
Winter Break, no school	12/25/2025
Winter Break, no school	12/26/2025
Winter Break, no school	12/29/2025
Winter Break, no school	12/30/2025
Winter Break, no school	12/31/2025
Winter Break, no school	1/1/2026
Winter Break, no school	1/2/2026

Have a great week!
Mr. Bliss