



Mark Your Calendar!

Tuesday, October 6, 2026
TNT Dunk Assembly

Friday, October 9, 2026
Hearing & Vision Screening

Monday, October 12, 2026
Indigenous Peoples' Day – NO SCHOOL

Wednesday, October 14, 2026
PTA Board Meeting

Thursday, October 15, 2026
Great CA Shakeout Drill
PTA Dine Out - Islands

Thursday, October 22, 2026
PTA Trunk or Treat

October 26-30, 2026
Red Ribbon Week

Friday, October 30, 2026
Halloween Parade
Lunch with a Lion

Questions?

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LION'S ROAR

A.E. ARNOLD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

October 2026

Dear Arnold Families,

October is National Bullying Prevention Month, and the Cypress School District believes that every student should feel physically and emotionally safe while on our campus. Bullying behavior is completely unacceptable and at Arnold, the staff works hard to ensure that all students are able to thrive at school. To properly address bullying we must educate our students on how to identify the difference between bullying and a conflict, as well as how to respond appropriately.

In general terms, three key components set bullying apart from other acts of inappropriate student behavior:

- Purposefully aggressive behavior
- A pattern of behavior that is repeated over time
- Repeated behavior that creates an imbalance of power and control between the parties involved

Bullying is not:

- Single episodes of social rejection or dislike
- Single episodes of spite
- Random act of aggression or intimidation
- Mutual arguments, disagreements, or fights

These items would follow under a conflict, as opposed to bullying, and it is important to know the difference.

At home it is important to talk with your child about what they can do if a peer ever makes them feel unsafe at school:

- Have your child practice being assertive and telling the other student to stop. Role-playing is a great way to build confidence in dealing with difficult situations.
- If the child does not feel safe to speak up, let them know to walk away and find an adult immediately.
- Have your child identify a staff member who they trust that they can go to report any bullying or conflict.
- Let your child know that getting bullied is not their fault, and they should always report it to an adult.

All of us working together as one team, will help create a safe school where everyone feels respected and valued for who they are.

E-BIKE SAFETY

As e-bikes and other electric devices become more popular, families are encouraged to become familiar with the different class of e-bikes and the California laws that apply to each type. Age, helmet, and riding requirements can vary depending on the type of e-bike or scooter being used. Additional Resources: [City of Cypress Police Department](#)

August/September Student of the Month Recipients

We celebrated our August/September Student of the Month recipients on October 2. Our students had learned about the character traits of kindness and empathy. People who are kind and compassionate are more satisfied with their lives, have better physical and mental health, and have stronger relationships with their families and peers.

<u>TK/K</u> Mariela Mendez Rojas Roman Mora Natalia Rodino Tadeo Garcia Hernandez Sarah Melhem	<u>Grade 1</u> Kailea Hernandez Elyana Kumar	<u>Grade 2</u> Nora Barish Jeffrey Mickelson
<u>Grade 3</u> Natalia Michel-Urias Kai Gonzalez	<u>Grade 4</u> Lena Martinez Sofia Martinez	<u>Grade 4/5</u> Emma Baxi Dominic Mendoza
<u>Grade 5</u> Sabrina Estes	<u>Grade 5/6</u> Lillian Gerdes Nora Leicht	<u>Grade 6</u> Rachel Seo Ellie Cho

School Safety

Cypress School District strives to provide a safe and secure learning environment for all students and staff. This effort includes the following measures:

- Campus access is limited to one entry and exit point during the school day.
- Video surveillance systems installed at school sites help deter wrongdoing and monitor activities.
- Safety at each school is enhanced through established relationships with our local police departments. These efforts include police participation in emergency preparedness drills conducted regularly throughout the year.
- The Raptor visitor management system allows school office personnel to perform instant sex offender registry checks.
- Evacuation and/or lockdown drills are performed monthly.
- All schools participate in the Great California ShakeOut. This year's ShakeOut will be held on October 15. More information is available on the Great California ShakeOut website: <https://www.shakeout.org>

We appreciate your support and partnership in keeping our school safe and ask for your assistance in the following ways:

- Drive slowly in the parking lot, and follow all directional signs.
- Don't block crosswalks.
- Yield to pedestrians in crosswalks, and take extra care in school zones.
- Check in and out at the main office when visiting campus during school hours to ensure accountability in the event of an emergency. ALL visitors, including parent volunteers, must check in and present valid government-issued identification.
- Students riding scooters, bicycles, etc. to school are required to wear a helmet. Once on campus they should walk their vehicle to the designated area to lock it up.