

Hello Royals Families,

The Royals Flag Troop has a special job on our campus. They serve our school by raising and lowering our school's American and Arizona flags every school day. The flag troop is looking for a dedicated group of 5th and 6th graders ready to perform this honorable task.

Serving our school in this role is a great way for kids to practice responsibility, engage in positive behavior and learn about service to their community. Behaviors that will benefit them for a lifetime.

Below is an overview of our troop members expectations and obligations. Please read and fill out the permission form on page 3 if your student has permission to participate.

Flag Troop Tasks

Troop members will be placed in a four-person squad with an assigned duty day. On the morning of their duty day, the squad will meet in the front office at an agreed upon time between 8:05 and 8:20 am. They'll gather the flags and then head outside to raise them (Reveille). Morning duty usually takes about 10 minutes.

After school, squad members will meet in the front office between 3:00 and 3:05 pm. They'll go outside to lower the flags (Retreat), fold them properly and secure them in the flag troop drawer. If your student is released from class earlier, they'll wait in the front office until the rest of their squad arrives. Afternoon duty usually takes about 15 minutes.

Please keep in mind, we have limited positions available, so I consider applications on a first come, first serve basis. Also, we cannot accommodate bus riders because of scheduling. Any student we cannot place will be placed on an alternates list.

Behavior

Troop members perform their duties in front of our school community during drop-off and pick-up times. Many people will be watching them. While they're outside, troopers are expected to act in a dignified manner. When handling the flags, they will do so respectfully. Troopers can be expelled from the troop for any reported bad behavior while handling the flags.

Commitment

This is a very important point to consider. Flag troop service lasts for the entire school year. While there's no consequence for leaving the troop prematurely, this is an exercise in integrity, responsibility and fulfilling commitments. If a troop member does leave though, please inform Mr. Ryan as soon as possible.

Teamwork

We are a team. We're all in this together. Troopers are expected to treat each other respectfully. Any mistreatment of other troop members is cause for removal from the group.

Communication

As with any team, it's very important for squad members to communicate with each other. Squadmates should exchange contact information so they can update each other regarding absences. I will also send out occasional emails and post a monthly newsletter in the Comms section of the troop website.

Activity Fee

There is a \$5 activity fee to join the Flag Troop. This fee goes towards the purchase of the troop shirt. Fee will be payable through Infinite Campus. Shirts will be ordered after all permission slips are turned in.

Attendance, Activities and Rewards

Troop members will sign in for both their shifts, morning and afternoon. Troop members who perform all their assigned duties during a month, will receive a sweet treat. If your student has any food restrictions, please let me know on the permission slip.

We will also have extra activities for troop members to keep the job fun and educational. Troop members can earn rewards completing these extra activities.

Please complete the attached permission slip and have your student return it to the front office. I will send out squad schedules as soon as possible. If you have any questions, please contact me at calahate.ryan@cusd80.com.

Thank you for your support!

Ryan Calahate
Flag Troop Advisor

RYAN ELEMENTARY



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Student Name _____ Teacher _____

Students will be assigned one flag duty day. Please indicate up to three days they can participate by using 1 for the first choice of day, to 3 for the last choice. I will do my best to accommodate your request.

_____ Mon _____ Tue _____ Wed _____ Thu _____ Fri

Please check what your student will be doing before and after the completion of their duty. Unfortunately, we cannot accommodate bus riders.

_____ Walker/Bike Rider _____ Parent Drop-off/Pick-up _____ Kids Express

Are there any food items your student may not have? _____

Shirt Size YS YM YL YX AS AM AL AXL A2X

As a member of the Ryan Royals Flag Troop, I agree to perform my duties in a respectful manner, take pride in my service to the school, treat my teammates respectfully and commit to performing this task for the duration of the school year.

Student Signature _____ Date _____

I give my student, _____ permission to join the Royals Flag Troop. I understand that on their duty day, my student will need to arrive at school whenever the troop members agree to meet, between 8:05 and 8:20 am, and they will need to stay about 15 minutes after school to perform their duties.

Parent Signature _____ Date _____

Parent Email _____