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**Elk Grove Unified Students Compete in 2021 SEVA Video-Making Contest and Win Big**

**Elk Grove, CA, May 10, 2021**-Students from the Elk Grove Unified School District (EGUSD) participate annually in the Sacramento Educational Cable Consortium (SEVA) contest and for the 2021 SEVAs, EGUSD had the most submissions, with 213 videos being sent into the contest for review. In total 595 videos were submitted for consideration with a 2021 SEVA Entry Form. This year, in addition to the 2021 SEVA Awards, special recognition was also given to students who speak to “Defining 2020” in their video submission.

The 2021 SEVA Contest challenged students to submit work in one of five categories; Creative Expression, Documentary, Instructional, Public Service Announcements or School News. Judges then went through each category and selected a winner for each age group. Students’ submissions that stood out were also awarded an honorable mention for their great work.

SEVA is a great organization in the area that strives to provide quality educational resources to learners of all ages in the greater Sacramento community primarily through video and other information and communication technologies via cable systems and networks. Each year SEVA hosts a video contest for students in different [school districts](#) throughout the Sacramento Region. Students outside of Sacramento county can also enter the contest for a fee of \$10.

The SEVA students who won in their respective categories this year were recognized at the [2021 SEVA Awards event](#). The event was hosted virtually and paid tribute to students whose work stood out among the competition.

EGUSD is proud of the amazing work of its students and the support provided by teachers and staff. In the District, creativity plays a key role in education, and Elk Grove Unified is happy to see that shine through in their student’s efforts. Below is the list of students recognized for their work in a variety of areas along with a link to their entry:

School	Teacher's Email Address	Producer Name(s) to Appear on Award (If a	SEVA Category	Grade Level	Program Title	Link to Video	Award or Honor
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		Winner)					
Sunrise Elementary	Tharding@egusd.net	Kevin Wu	Creative Expression	K-3	The Milk	<a href="https://youtu.be/mGqxZBymdho">https://youtu.be/mGqxZBymdho</a>	SEVA Award
Sunrise Elementary	Tharding@egusd.net	Julianna Maurizio	Documentary	4-6	Salmon Falls Bridge	<a href="https://youtu.be/AHkMrk1y1U4">https://youtu.be/AHkMrk1y1U4</a>	SEVA Award
James McKee ES & Albiani MS	nmaltbie@egusd.net	Kara Hughes	Documentary	7-8	Having Tourette's Isn't a Tragedy, Having No Bacon Is	<a href="https://youtu.be/OJX33lGgpc4">https://youtu.be/OJX33lGgpc4</a>	SEVA Award
Florence Markofer Elementary School	tnull@egusd.net	Ryan Neumann	Documentary	K-3	Martin Luther King Jr. Documentary	<a href="https://youtu.be/p_gVe7a1bAg">https://youtu.be/p_gVe7a1bAg</a>	SEVA Award
Stone Lake Elementary School	jlyman@egusd.net	Matthew Ho	Instructional	4-6	How to Design a Logo by Hand	<a href="https://youtu.be/KfB251UqljM">https://youtu.be/KfB251UqljM</a>	SEVA Award
Franklin High School	bnclark@egusd.net	Emily Cho	Instructional	9-12	How to THRIVE in Distance Learning	<a href="https://youtu.be/6by0GO8q_n4">https://youtu.be/6by0GO8q_n4</a>	SEVA Award
Florence Markofer Elementary School	tnull@egusd.net	Iris Murphy	Instructional	K-3	Practice Positivity	<a href="https://youtu.be/Ljq_0v3lL6s">https://youtu.be/Ljq_0v3lL6s</a>	SEVA Award
Florence Markofer Elementary School	tnull@egusd.net	Paige Vanderspek	PSA	4-6	Wash Your Hands!	<a href="https://youtu.be/lCtZ06gPzGo">https://youtu.be/lCtZ06gPzGo</a>	SEVA Award
Samuel Jackman Middle School	lharmon@egusd.net	Brian Lee	PSA	7-8	Bullying PSA	<a href="https://youtu.be/FdMm4eTu2Rl">https://youtu.be/FdMm4eTu2Rl</a>	SEVA Award
Franklin High School	bnclark@egusd.net	Jaxon Ruiz	PSA	9-12	Trapped	<a href="https://youtu.be/l7VPizVwkCo">https://youtu.be/l7VPizVwkCo</a>	SEVA Award
Florence Markofer	tnull@egusd.net	Madison Null &	School News	K-3	MMNews Episode	<a href="https://youtu.be/vg8_d">https://youtu.be/vg8_d</a>	SEVA Award

Elementary School		Wesley Rowe			Mini Mustangs Home Edition #16	<a href="#">D4FAmo</a>	
Florence Markofer Elementary School	tnull@egusd.net	Emily Robertson	Creative Expression	4-6	Water Bottle Monsters with Emily	<a href="https://youtu.be/PZlew3Ykl9A">https://youtu.be/PZlew3Ykl9A</a>	Honorable Mention
Toby Johnson Middle School	dlchape@egusd.net	Claire Caldwell	Creative Expression	7-8	The Unexpected Artists	<a href="https://youtu.be/KWSGuvFGLIk">https://youtu.be/KWSGuvFGLIk</a>	Honorable Mention
Franklin High School	bnclark@egusd.net	Danielle Tong	Creative Expression	9-12	The Morning After I Killed Myself	<a href="https://youtu.be/bEHOtbM1GMs">https://youtu.be/bEHOtbM1GMs</a>	Honorable Mention
Florence Markofer Elementary School	tnull@egusd.net	Paige Vanderspek	Documentary	4-6	Paige's Journey - What It's Like to Test Positive for COVID-19	<a href="https://youtu.be/-Uxq4ijEUdQ">https://youtu.be/-Uxq4ijEUdQ</a>	Honorable Mention
Katherine L. Albani Middle School	dmcneel@egusd.net	Audrey Sherwood	Documentary	7-8	Pandemic Pets	<a href="https://youtu.be/9kXdUQVNXEw">https://youtu.be/9kXdUQVNXEw</a>	Honorable Mention
Katherine L. Albani Middle School	dmcneel@egusd.net	Layla Jones	Documentary	7-8	This Is Me	<a href="https://youtu.be/idrx2Amq23o">https://youtu.be/idrx2Amq23o</a>	Honorable Mention
Pleasant Grove High School	jbandy@egusd.net	Carson Ballou	Documentary	9-12	Born to Fly	<a href="https://youtu.be/pbHtaeUg7M">https://youtu.be/pbHtaeUg7M</a>	Honorable Mention
Sunrise Elementary School	THarding@egusd.net	Wesley Cabral	Instructional	4-6	How to Safely Mow a Lawn	<a href="https://youtu.be/1XqalXU3dtg">https://youtu.be/1XqalXU3dtg</a>	Honorable Mention
Katherine L. Albani Middle School	dmcneel@egusd.net	Oliver Uniza	Instructional	7-8	How to Ski	<a href="https://youtu.be/JvBzbZLuzl8">https://youtu.be/JvBzbZLuzl8</a>	Honorable Mention
Helen Carr Castello Elementary School	hpederso@egusd.net	Jacob Diaz	PSA	4-6	3 Ways to Make Sure You Don't Get COVID.	<a href="https://youtu.be/su3O3lSLuxk">https://youtu.be/su3O3lSLuxk</a>	Honorable Mention

Franklin High School	bnclark@egusd.net	Rochelle Williams	PSA	9-12	No Wipes in the Pipes	<a href="https://youtu.be/GNYbrC4JjqA">https://youtu.be/GNYbrC4JjqA</a>	Honorable Mention
Sunrise Elementary School	Tharding@egusd.net	Kevin Wu	PSA	K-3	Escape Hot Car	<a href="https://youtu.be/yzvYbHrhqyo">https://youtu.be/yzvYbHrhqyo</a>	Honorable Mention
Florence Markofer Elementary School	tnull@egusd.net	Ryan Neumann	PSA	K-3	Safe Travels During COVID	<a href="https://youtu.be/WDPQB-rpTU4">https://youtu.be/WDPQB-rpTU4</a>	Honorable Mention
Sunrise Elementary School	Tharding@egusd.net	Emma Bruns and Julianna Maurizio	School News	4-6	SPARTAN TV #31	<a href="https://youtu.be/Vxz8c-Mlqmg">https://youtu.be/Vxz8c-Mlqmg</a>	Honorable Mention
Katherine L. Albani Middle School	dmcneel@egusd.net	KAMS TV Crew 2021	School News	7-8	KAMS TV Episode 7: Scary Spectacular	<a href="https://youtu.be/l0-u3KW18To">https://youtu.be/l0-u3KW18To</a>	Honorable Mention
Florence Markofer Elementary School	tnull@egusd.net	Ryan Neumann	School News	K-3	Georgia Aquarium	<a href="https://youtu.be/zqJ8NyU4njA">https://youtu.be/zqJ8NyU4njA</a>	Honorable Mention

### About the Elk Grove Unified School District

The Elk Grove Unified School District (EGUSD) is the fifth-largest school district in California located in southern Sacramento County. EGUSD covers 320 square miles and includes 67 schools: 42 elementary schools, nine middle schools, nine high schools, five alternative education schools, an adult school, one charter school and a virtual academy.

Offering a multitude of educational programs, including over 70 career-themed academies and pathways within 15 industry sectors, we prepare our students for college and career by supporting them with the means to be creative problem solvers; self-aware, self-reliant and self-disciplined; technically literate; effective communicators and collaborators; and engaged in the community as individuals with integrity.

We integrate rigorous academics with career-based learning and real world workplace experiences and ensure that *Every Student is Learning, in Every Classroom, in Every Subject, Every Day to Prepare College, Career and Life Ready Graduates.*

For more information about the Elk Grove Unified School District, please visit [www.egusd.net](http://www.egusd.net) and follow us @ElkGroveUnified on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), [Instagram](#) and [YouTube](#).