



Gardner Elementary

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Gardner Elementary Board Report, October 2026

Our October Team Member of the Month, Traci Biffar



Traci Biffar organizes Kellsie's Hope each fall that supports the Sock It to Cancer drive. Thanks to Traci's leadership this year Gardner raised \$2580.32. In addition, her peers have shared, "Traci has done an outstanding job this school year as team lead for 5th grade. She makes sure she keeps us informed on things that we need to know, and always does her best to get us answers to our questions promptly. Thank you, Traci, for helping to make our year run more smoothly!"



Recent Highlights

- Congratulations to our fifth grade choir and Mr. Alex Brake for the performance shared last Thursday night.
- Mr. Andy Mayer brought the Scholastic Book Fair to Gardner from October 5-9.
- Gardner teachers Josh Hogan and Lisa Gilbert presented at our Bi-County Institute on Friday, October 9. You can spot them in the video created by Amber Crusier. Thank you!
- Our Bobo's Fundraiser ended last week with one of the best sales ever. Thank you to our Gardner students and families who helped us double our sales and profits from last year. We are so thankful! Thank you as well to our Gardner Admin Assistant, Erika Watters, who leads our fundraising efforts.

Looking Forward

October 23. Lockdown Drill

November 2-3. 4th grade Poetry Celebrations

November 10 and 12. Fourth Grade Busch Stadium Field Trip

November 12-13. Fifth grade Science Center Field Trip