

# SIERRA GRANDE HIGH SCHOOL



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Vivian Carrell

### There's a Lot To Be Thankful for, Even Now

Although Covid-19 is running rampant and masks suck, there are plenty of things to be thankful for. We can be thankful that we are healthy, thankful for the extra family time, or maybe just thankful that Thanksgiving Break is coming up. I, for one, am thankful that I haven't been sick yet, especially with my bum lungs. While the coronavirus has put a lot of things on hold, it's given

people more time, whether they see it or not. How many people have actually had meals with their families because there is more time to do so? We should be thankful for that extra time, even if our family is too close for comfort. As we try to get our lives back on track, be thankful for that time. Be thankful for our health and the health of others. Most importantly, be thankful for the people around you. Even if you don't think you can stand them any longer.



Angelo Valencia-Lucero

### Traditions

Thanksgiving. My only excuse as to why I put on 10 pounds in 2 days. Thanksgiving is a time of celebration, and with that comes traditions. Most, if not all, families have traditions. Family traditions are something you may not notice because you are so used to doing them. Such as gathering at my grandma's house and somehow ending up at my dad's house before the night is over. Traditions come with everything, but Thanksgiving is based around traditions. Think back to the first Thanksgiving. They sat down and ate turkey. Now, the holiday is based around eating turkey. My family tradition is to go to my grandma's house and have a huge meal. We also gather around and watch the football game, as many do. Many of my other family members have different traditions, too. As time goes on, traditions will change, including mine. Some of our family members have made their own traditions and don't come to the party. Traditions change but turkey will always be the main tradition in Thanksgiving.



## Piper Grissom

### Black Friday

We all know Black Friday as the night of Thanksgiving and the morning after. I personally have never been Black Friday shopping mainly because my mom isn't a huge fan of it and I have always been too little. However, it is taken back to when the U.S. gold market crashed on September 24, 1869. Two Wall Street financiers, Jay Gould and Jim Fisk, worked together to buy as much of the nation's gold that they could, in hopes to drive the price sky-high and sell it for big profits. Then, on the Friday of that week, the rumor was unraveled causing the stock market into a free-fall and everyone went bankrupt. We all think of Black Friday as getting discounts on everything and people going crazy. There is another myth that

says, back in the 1800s, Southern Plantations would be able to buy slaves on discount the day after Thanksgiving. In 1961, Black Friday had caught on in Philadelphia and people wanted to change it to "Big Friday" to take away the negative part. People would take advantage of the low prices and tons of people would shoplift, so law enforcement had to be applied. The roots of it slowly disappeared and now it is just a large event that has morphed into a multiple-day event along with "Small Business Saturday/Sunday" and "Cyber Monday."

Stores open earlier and earlier every year on Thanksgiving because they know it will get chaotic. Do you shop on the weekend of Thanksgiving?

<https://www.history.com/news/whats-the-real-history-of-black-friday>



## Alex Gonzalez

### How to Get Your Vehicle Ready for Thanksgiving Trips

Thanksgiving is a good time to maintain your vehicle. If you are traveling to a relative's home for Thanksgiving break, it would be a good idea to have someone inspect your vehicle before you make the trip.

Trust me, the tow truck costs more than a vehicle inspection. Right now is a good time to check your tires too! The tire pressure in the winter usually goes down because it is cold and the molecules move slower. On the driver's side of the vehicle, there should be a sticker that tells you what the tire pressure should be when it's cold. If it does not, then I recommend looking in your owner's manual. Another thing you should check is the tire tread. A good way to check is to get a penny and set down on the tire tread. If you can see Lincoln's head you might need new tires, but if you can't see his head your tires are still good. If you do not know how to change your oil or change your tires, there are many shops in Alamosa. I recommend Supercharged Auto for oil changes. If you ask for a full service, they will change your oil and inspect your vehicle. They are fast, affordable, and offer good service. Chaparral is a good place to get new tires.



Lalo Ambriz

## Thanksgiving Dishes

It's about that time, ladies and gentlemen, to gain a couple of pounds on the most thankful day of the year! Get ready to eat that delicious pumpkin pie and turkey. You may think wait... that's not all there is to eat for Thanksgiving, and you are right. There is so much more to Thanksgiving, it is not just about the food. Yes, food is a big part of it, but it is all about spending time with family and friends and being thankful for everyone and everything you have. Now, with that being said, there are many different types of Thanksgiving dishes. Let's go in order of some great Thanksgiving dishes and desserts. First of all, there is the world-famous pumpkin pie. There is also pecan pie, peach pie, blueberry pie, sweet potato pie. Now, there are many more, but if there was a list of every single pie, it would just be way too long! Now let's get to the main dishes. There is turkey, ham, yams, mashed potatoes, green bean casserole, bread rolls, stuffing, and many many more. So, this year, and every other year, be thankful for everyone and absolutely everything you have.



Lennie Valdez

## Turkey Trot

"The average American will consume approximately 3,000 calories during his/her Thanksgiving dinner this year. Add in pre-meal snacks and a serving of grandma's famous pie, and that number can easily reach upwards of 4,500 calories" (Niki Chavenelle). So, to burn off all that food, you'd need to run a marathon or run to get your appetite good and ready for the feast with your family. The turkey trot race is a fun run race that is 3.1-8 miles long. They even have prizes for whoever participates but separate prizes for whoever wins. The prizes can be money or medals for winning, but everyone will get a t-shirt. In some states, they'd give out live turkeys. The most popular Turkey Trot race is the race in Dallas, Texas, but it first originated in Buffalo, New York. They have supposedly been doing this race since 1896.



Ivan Molina

## Macy's Thanksgiving Parade



In 1924, the Macy's Parade started, tying it for the second-oldest Thanksgiving parade in the United States. The parade started to showcase the world's largest store, starting at 1 million sq ft of retail space. On Thanksgiving morning, New York decided to throw a parade for the



store. There have been 93 parades since then. The Thanksgiving Parade is approximately 2.65 miles long. The parade starts on Thursday the 24th. It has been said that a lot of famous people, for example, John Legend and Leona Lewis, go to the parade.

## Brian Ontiveros



### Thanksgiving

Thanksgiving is an annual tradition in the United States and Canada. Most people celebrate Thanksgiving for the blessings that they have gotten in the past year. Most American people believe that the whole Thanksgiving started in 1621 when the pilgrims and the Wampanoag Indians feasted together. The pilgrims and the Indians ate geese or ducks as their meal.

Thanksgiving is celebrated on the last Thursday in November.

Thanksgiving is the busiest day because the Indians traveled a long way. Most Americans use this day to see family and friends. The pilgrims would have a Thanksgiving dinner after they have had a successful harvest.



## Liliana Duenas



### Thanksgiving Holiday

Thanksgiving is a day for people in the US and other parts of the world to give thanks for what they have. Family and friends get together for a meal which includes a lot of different types of food. In some cities and towns, there are parades during Thanksgiving weekend. In the United States, Thanksgiving's history is almost always traced back to 1621, and the event is commonly known as the first Thanksgiving. It was celebrated by the pilgrim Father, a group of European settlers of the Plymouth colony which is part of the state of Massachusetts today. The pilgrims were celebrating their first harvest in the new world and marked the occasion with a lavish three-day feast.

### There's How Many Turkeys?

## Mia Esquer-Montoya

Did you know that there are FIVE different types of turkeys? You've got the Broad-Breasted White Turkey. It is the most widely used commercial breed of domestic turkey. Then there is the Black turkey. They come from Mexico. Another kind of turkey is a Royal Palm Turkey. They are a breed of domestic turkey and are not primarily selected for meat. The White Holland Turkey is known for its White Plumage. One more type of turkey is the Meleagris Gallopavo. The turkey that is most commonly eaten for thanksgiving is Broad-Breasted White Turkey.



## Current Events

Thanksgiving break

No school November 23-26

