

March 12, 2025

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Calendar

Stay tuned for upcoming events with our District website calendar available <u>here</u>.

- Thursday, March 13: Community Advisory Council Candidate Forum. Details here.
- Friday, March 14: U-46 Job Fair. Details here.
- **Tuesday, March 18:** Meeting of the CAC's Specialized Student Services Committee. <u>Details</u> <u>here</u>.
- Saturday, March 22: U-46 STEM Expo. Details here.

Student Designs Windy City Bulls Jersey



<u>Watch this video</u> to learn about what inspired South Elgin High School senior Bryanna Sánchez to design a jersey for the Windy City Bull's Hispanic Heritage Night. Tickets for the game on Friday, March 21, can be purchased at <u>https://info.u-46.org/WindyCityBulls2025</u>. Proceeds will benefit the U-46 Educational Foundation.

BOE Candidate Forum



A candidate forum being held on Thursday, March 13, will allow for members of the public to hear from three individuals running for the U-46 Board of Education in the April 1, 2025, Consolidated Election.

The forum, which is organized by the Community Advisory

Council, will get underway at 7 p.m. at the U-46 Welcome Center, 1019 E. Chicago St., Elgin. This forum is open to all, and Spanish translation will be available. For those who can't make it to the Welcome Center, the event will also be streamed on the <u>District's YouTube channel</u>.

Summer Connection

Enrollment for many of the District's Summer Connection programs is now open. A full description of what is being offered can be found at <u>u-46.org/summerconnection</u>.



Student Equity and Inclusion Survey



The sixth annual Student Equity and Inclusion Survey asks important questions about diversity and inclusion, cultural awareness and action, and our student's sense of belonging within our U-46 schools. The survey will go out to students in 5th through 12th grade via their student email and be available from March 17 to March 21. Their feedback will provide invaluable insights into

their experiences and how to improve and adapt our District to better meet their needs. If a student doesn't feel like they have enough information to answer a question, they will be able to skip the item altogether.

More details can be found on our <u>Student Equity and Inclusion Survey website</u>, including directions for how parents or guardians can have their child opt-out of taking the survey. (This must be done before midnight on Wednesday, March 12.)

Class of 2025

School District U-46 will be celebrating the Class of 2025 on Saturday, May 24, at the NOW Arena in Hoffman Estates. The graduation ceremonies will start according to the following schedule:



- Elgin High School: 8 a.m.
- Bartlett High School: 11 a.m.
- Larkin High School: 2 p.m.
- Streamwood High School: 5 p.m.
- South Elgin High School: 8 p.m.

NEW this year! All guests of graduates, including 2 years and above, will be required to have a ticket to enter a graduation ceremony at the NOW Arena. Each graduate student will receive 10 tickets at or prior to graduation rehearsal. The high schools will communicate detailed instructions regarding graduation tickets.

More details about parking, live streaming of the ceremonies, the entrances for guests and graduates, and more can be found <u>here</u>.

#U46FirstDayReady

<u>Registration</u> for our incoming kindergarten students (the Class of 2033!) is still underway. The following video is a great introduction to full-day, play-based education that U-46 provides to our kindergarten students, as well as ways parents help get their young learners prepared and excited for the first day of school. <u>Please share this video</u> with any area families you know who have a child who will be 5 years old by Sept. 1, 2025.



More Resources

We're Hiring

Have you considered becoming a part of the U-46 team? School District U-46 offers a number of <u>rewarding opportunities</u> for educators and support staff.

Weekly Message from Dr. Johnson

Each week, Superintendent Dr. Suzanne Johnson shares a message with U-46 employees and community members. You can read the latest message <u>here</u>.

Board of Education

The Board of Education meetings are streamed on the District's <u>YouTube channel</u> and via Zoom. Written highlights from the meetings, as well as presentations delivered to the Board, can be found <u>here</u>.

Care Solace

Care Solace is a complimentary and confidential service provided by School District U-46 to help locate a provider for mental health care or substance use treatment. It's available to U-46 students, staff, and their family members. Learn more <u>here.</u>









Community

Visit our <u>U-46 Online Backpack</u> to find information on community events, activities, and resources for our U-46 families and students.



