



The weekly newsletter from School District U-46

Jan. 17, 2024

Para leer la Noticia Semanal en español, por favor haga clic aquí

Follow Us 

[Facebook](#) | [LinkedIn](#) | [YouTube](#) | [Instagram](#)

Calendar

Stay tuned for upcoming events with our District website calendar available [here](#).

- **Monday, Jan. 22:** U-46 Planetarium Public Sky Show. [Details here](#).
- **Monday, Jan. 22:** Board of Education meeting. [Details here](#).
- **Friday, Jan. 26:** Institute Day. No classes, offices open. [Details here](#).

Book features poetry written by U-46 elementary students



A reminder on preparing for winter weather

The month of January has certainly reminded all who live in northern Illinois about the challenges posed by snow, ice, and frigid temperatures, and there's a long time ahead before winter weather ends.

So we wanted to explain to U-46 families our weather policies for outdoor recess and physical education, which seek to balance the importance of time outdoors with safety precautions.



School leaders have the discretion in deciding whether students will be outdoors or indoors for recess and/or physical education. Schools are provided with [guidelines](#), including ensuring that students are not outside when the temperature or wind chill falls below 10 degrees.

U-46 families are encouraged to ensure their children are dressed appropriately for the winter weather before leaving the house each morning. This includes a winter jacket, hat, gloves, scarf, and snow boots when there's snow on the ground.

2023-24 school year calendar updated

This month's extreme winter weather caused U-46 to use two of its allotted five emergency days. Classes were canceled for students on Friday, Jan. 12, and Tuesday, Jan. 16.

As a result, the 2023-24 school year will be extended by two days. If no other emergency days are used, the last day of classes for U-46 students will be Thursday, May 30.

Dual Language Parent Support Group

The next meeting of the group designed to support parents of children in U-46's Dual Language is meeting on Thursday, Jan. 18, at 6:30 p.m. These sessions are held virtually, and those who

register at info.u-46.org/DualParent23-24 will receive the necessary link to join.

Parents of students in the Dual Language program will connect with other Dual Language families, as well as members of the Multilingual and Multicultural Department, and can ask questions and get tips for supporting their child's education. Support groups will be offered in English and in Spanish. Register at info.u-46.org/DualParent23-24.



U-46 Job Fair

Come be part of our team at U-46! Discover our employment opportunities on Friday, Jan. 19, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. and Saturday, Jan. 20, from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. at the U-46 Welcome Center, 1019 E. Chicago St., Elgin.

Find a position that is just right for you and make an impact. We have vacancies for teachers, bus drivers, groundskeepers, food service technicians, dean's assistants, secretaries, and more. We offer full-time and part-time positions and great benefits. U-46 also offers competitive wages, professional development, and growth opportunities for all in a diverse and welcoming environment. Here at U-46, we have a place for all.

Join us to learn more about how you can be part of U-46 at u-46.org/careers. For any questions please contact humanresources@u-46.org.

A vertical poster for the U-46 Job Fair. At the top, there's a circular logo for U-46 Academic Success for All, listing various school districts. Below the logo is a photo of a teacher and a student working on a laptop. The main title "JOB FAIR" is in large white letters on a dark blue background. Below the title is a list of job openings: Teachers PreK-12, Special Education Teachers, Bilingual Teachers, Social Workers, Paraeducators, Noon Hour Supervisors, Food Service Technicians, Bus Drivers, Custodians, Groundskeepers, Substitute Teachers, and Secretaries. The dates and times are listed: Friday, Jan. 19, 2024 (3 p.m. - 6 p.m.) and Saturday, Jan. 20, 2024 (9 a.m. - 12 p.m.). The location is the U-46 Family Welcome Center, 1019 E. Chicago St., Elgin, IL 60120. There's a section for "SAME DAY INTERVIEWS!" with a phone icon and the number (847) 888 - 5000 EXT. 5024, an email icon and the address HUMANRESOURCES@U-46.ORG, and a website icon and the text "Visit our website for more information U-46.ORG/CAREERS". At the bottom right, there's a photo of a smiling woman, a QR code, and the text "To apply today Scan me" with a smartphone icon.

African American Advisory Council

The next meeting of the [U-46 African American Advisory Council](#) is Thursday, Jan. 25, at 6 p.m. It will be held virtually via Zoom.

Members of the Multicultural & Multilingual Education Department will deliver a presentation about U-46's award-winning Dual Language program. Also joining the meeting as a special guest will be Dr. Bettina L. Love, author of "Punished for Dreaming: How School Reform Harms Black Children and How We Heal." For more details on Dr. Love's presentation, [click here](#).



All are welcome at the African American Advisory Council meetings and are asked to register in advance [here](#). After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting. For questions, please use [Let's Talk](#).

Bilingual Parent Advisory Committee

The [Bilingual Parent Advisory Committee](#) (BPAC) will meet on Wednesday, Jan. 24, 6:30 p.m. via Zoom. It can be joined at info.u-46.org/BPAC-23.

All U-46 parents and guardians are invited to attend BPAC meetings and events. The meetings are held in Spanish, with interpretation into English available. Questions about the meeting can be sent to Family Welcome Center Coordinator [Brenda Escobedo](#).

More Resources

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 [here](#).



Board of Education

The Board of Education meetings are streamed on the District's [YouTube channel](#) and



Care Coordination



Online Backpack
Mochila Digital

Community

via Zoom. Written highlights from the meetings, as well as presentations delivered to the Board, can be found [here](#).

[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.

Visit our [U-46 Online Backpack](#) to find information on community events, activities, and resources for our U-46 families and students.



School District U-46

All means all.

