

# The weekly newsletter from School District U-46

Nov. 8, 2023

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### Calendar

Stay tuned for upcoming events with our District website calendar available here.

- Friday, Nov. 10: End of the first trimester.
- Monday, Nov. 13: Board of Education meeting. Details here.
- Monday, Nov. 20: Board of Education meeting. Details here.

### **Elementary Menus**

Due to some issues with equipment, the Food & Nutrition Services department had to make adjustments to the elementary school menus for the current week as well as the week of Nov. 13. Details on those adjustments can be found at <u>u-46.org/fns</u>. Thank you for your understanding. Please reach out via <u>Let's Talk</u> if you have any questions.

### **Veterans Day**

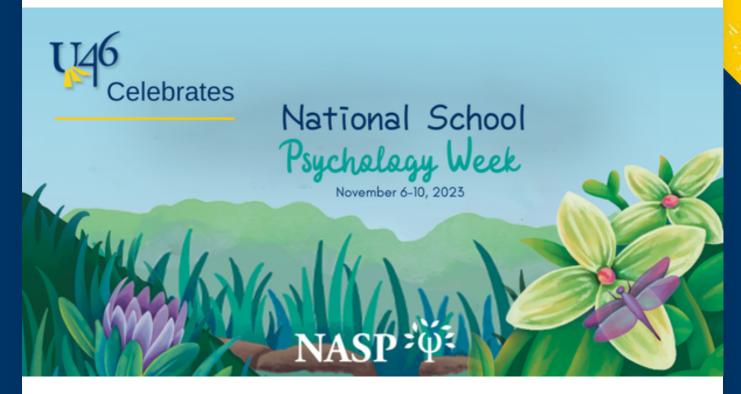
Students and staff in School District U-46 will support and honor our local veterans and troops with special ceremonies, concerts, displays, and collections during the month of November. In addition, local veterans are visiting classrooms on Friday, Nov. 10 to speak to students about their

service and their lives as part of Veterans Voices, a program being held in partnership with the Gail Borden Public Library. Keep an eye on U-46's <u>Facebook</u> and <u>Instagram</u> channels and help us honor our veterans.



## National School Psychology Week

The week of Nov. 6-10, 2023, is National School Psychology Week, designed to highlight the important work school psychologists do to help all students thrive. In U-46, we have 18 school psychologists who support student well-being and learning. We thank them for their work.



## **Elementary Report Cards**

The first trimester for our elementary students (1st through 6th graders) ends on Friday, Nov. 10. Parents and guardians of students in 1st through 6th grade will be able to view their child's first trimester report card in Infinite Campus by 4 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 15.



Parents and guardians have access to the Infinite Campus Parent Portal through a unique username and password. Please <u>click here</u> to sign in to your Infinite Campus Parent Portal account. <u>This section</u> of the U-46 website has information on report cards, assignments, progress reports, and Illinois Learning Standards; click <u>here</u> for step-by-step directions on how to access your child's elementary report cards in your Infinite Campus Parent Portal account.

As a reminder, in-progress grades are always available in Infinite Campus, along with information about your child's attendance, teacher's contact information and bus schedule if applicable. In-progress grades allow parents to monitor how their child is doing in class without waiting until the end of a trimester and ask questions of a teacher on how to provide additional support to their child who might be struggling with a concept or skill.

## Safety Tuesday on Wednesday

U-46 is fully committed to providing a safe and secure learning environment for all students. To ensure we achieve this, we ask for help from parents and guardians in offering guidance and setting expectations for appropriate behavior.

Please speak with your child or children about making good choices and remind them never to bring any weapon or anything that resembles a weapon to school. Carrying a weapon or anything that resembles a weapon creates an atmosphere of fear and unease among our students and staff. Additionally, it is not tolerated and is considered a serious offense. Students will receive consequences according to our <u>Student Code of Conduct</u> as well as a referral to the police, which could result in <u>criminal charges</u>.

Encourage them that if they see or become aware of any safety concerns, to notify a trusted adult, a teacher, a school administrator, or the police. In other words, if "you see something, say something!" You or your children may also use the District's online reporting tool, available <u>here</u>.

### Fall and Winter Breaks

The Thanksgiving holiday is just about two weeks away. U-46 students will not have classes on Wednesday, Nov. 22, Thursday, Nov. 23, or Friday, Nov. 24. District offices will be closed on Nov. 23 and Nov. 24. Students will return to classes on Monday, Nov. 27.

In December, the winter recess for students will begin on Friday, Dec. 22 and continue through Friday, Jan. 5. Classes will resume on Monday, Jan. 8.

Please consult <u>u-46.org/calendar</u> for a detailed calendar, and read our Student Attendance Guidelines at <u>u-46.org/attendance</u>.

### Save the Date

Class of 2028 - Parents and guardians of current 8th grade students are encouraged to attend an informational night at the high school their child will be attending. The first sessions will get underway later this month. At these meetings, families will meet high school administrators and staff, learn about a typical high school schedule, receive an overview of the course selection process, and more. A complete schedule can be found <a href="https://example.com/here/bullet/here/bul

**Unite U-46 Update** - The next community engagement session for Unite U-46 is taking place on Saturday, Dec. 2, at 8:30 a.m. at South Elgin High School. Details available at <u>u-46.org/uniteu46</u>.

**CAC Meeting** - The December meeting of the Community Advisory Council is always held as a roundtable discussion with School District U-46 Board of Education members and Cabinet members. This year's meeting will take place virtually on Thursday, Dec. 7, at 7 p.m. Register at <u>u-46.org/cac</u> to receive a unique Zoom link.

## **More Resources**



#### **Careers**

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.



#### Care

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.



#### 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.

#### **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>.

### 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>.









