



The weekly newsletter from School District U-46

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## Calendar

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

- **Thursday, May 4:** U-46 Wellness Fair. [Details here](#).
- **Thursday, May 4:** Dual Language Informational Meeting. [Details here](#).
- **Thursday, May 4:** Community Advisory Council meeting. [Details here](#).
- **Friday, May 5:** Institute Day. No classes, offices open. [Details here](#).
- **Saturday, May 6:** U-46 Deaf and Hard of Hearing 5K. [Details here](#).

## Community Advisory Council to Hear Update on U-46 Rising

The Community Advisory Council's last meeting of the 2022-23 school year will be held virtually Thursday, May 4, at 7 p.m. Those who wish to attend can register in advance [here](#).

The focus of the meeting will be an update on the work surrounding [U-46 Rising](#). The chairs of the CAC's committees will also deliver



their year-end reports, and there will be a discussion about the future CAC leadership.

This is a great opportunity to learn more about CAC and consider ways of getting involved for the 2023-24 school year.

## Board of Education welcomes new members, student advisor

On Monday night, two new members of the Board of Education took their seats — Chanda Schwartz and Samreen Khan. Two re-elected Board members, Sue Kerr and Kate Thommes, also took the oath of office.



The Board's new student advisor is Asraar Ahmed Siddiqui, a junior from Bartlett High School.

The Board thanked outgoing members John Devereux and Eva Porter for their service and commitment to the U-46 community, as well as Angelica Harris, who served as the Board student's advisor for the 2022-23 school year.

## #U46Classof2023

Twenty-six members of the Class of 2023 are recipients of this year's Superintendent's Scholarship for outstanding students who are the first in their immediate family to pursue post-secondary education. Each student will receive \$2,000. The students, joined by their families, were honored last week at a reception hosted by the U-46 Educational Foundation. Watch the video below to learn more about the students, and follow along on social media using the hashtag #U46Classof2023 to hear more great stories about our graduating seniors.

<https://youtu.be/i7KLucwyGYU>



## One week left to submit a Dual Language Interest Form

Friday, May 12 is the deadline for parents and guardians of incoming kindergarten or 1st grade students to submit their Dual Language Interest Form.

Filling out the form does not guarantee placement for students in this award-winning program, but it does start the process. Both an online and printable version of the interest form can be found [here](#); the online version is preferred.



One last [information session](#) is being held on Thursday, May 4, at 6:30 p.m. at Otter Creek Elementary School, 2701 Hopps Road, Elgin. There is also a 17-minute video posted [here](#) that outlines the program.

Parents and guardians with other questions are urged to call 847-888-5000, ext. 5331 or 5332, or visit [u-46.org/duallanguage](http://u-46.org/duallanguage).

## Developing a stronger relationship with your adolescent

The final meeting for this school year of the [Bilingual Parent Advisory Committee](#) (BPAC) is Wednesday, May 17, at 6 p.m., with both an in-person and virtual option available. Psychologist and author Ferney Ramirez will speak about the changes adolescents experience as they get older and how parents can develop a better relationship with their tweens and teenagers.

The in-person meeting will be held in the lecture hall of the U-46 Welcome Center, 1019 E. Chicago St., Elgin. Childcare will be available for children in kindergarten through 6th grade. The virtual meeting will be held via Zoom and can be joined via [info.u-46.org/BPAC-22](http://info.u-46.org/BPAC-22).

All are welcome to attend the meeting, which will be conducted in Spanish with interpretation into English available.

## Looking for a new career?

Have you considered becoming a part of the U-46 team? As the second-largest school district in the state of Illinois, School District U-46 offers a number of rewarding opportunities for educators and support staff, including bus drivers, social workers, secretaries, food service technicians, and more. You can learn more about our District and job openings at [u-46.org/careers](http://u-46.org/careers).



### Here are a couple of positions that we are highlighting:

- [Early Childhood Teachers](#): These individuals will lead classes of preschool students and build working relationships with their families to support them in educating their children.
- [School Social Worker at Harriet Gifford Elementary School](#): This position provides direct social/emotional support to students, prioritizing special education as mandated by IEPs.

## Online Backpack

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

### Coming up:

- Elgin Community College - Upward Bound

- Streamwood Park District - Starlight Dance Team Auditions

The flyers in the Online Backpack are the responsibility of the group listed and not a District endorsement. Visit Online Backpack to view the organization's flyer for more information.



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