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Eighth Graders to Attend Explore 2018 on Sept. 12

*Students will be introduced to more than a
dozen career pathways*

ELGIN - School District U-46 will showcase curriculum and career pathways for U-46 students at the annual expo on Wednesday, Sept. 12, but for the first time, eighth grade students will attend with teachers and middle school guidance counselors as part of their school day.

As in recent years, the Alignment Collaborative for Education (ACE) is partnering with U-46 to organize the event. But to accommodate the large number of students being transported by U-46 to the free weekday event, it is being held in a new location, the Sears Centre in Hoffman Estates.

WHO: Eighth grade students from all eight U-46 middle schools, their teachers and guidance counselors; faculty from the District's five high schools; about 85 business and industry partners; members of Alignment Collaborative for Education.

WHAT: Explore 2018, the District's annual career and curriculum expo.

WHERE: Sears Centre, 5333 Prairie Stone Parkway, Hoffman Estates

WHEN: 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 12.

ADMISSION: This free event is reserved for eighth grade students from U-46. Members of the media who want to cover the event should make arrangements with Mary Fergus at 847-888-5000, ext.4160.

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School District U-46 serves families in 11 communities: Bartlett, Elgin, South Elgin, Hanover Park, South Elgin, Streamwood and Wayne, as well as portions of Carol Stream, Hoffman Estates, St. Charles, Schaumburg, and West Chicago. In total, the District encompasses 90 square miles within the Fox River Valley, approximately 45 minutes west of downtown Chicago, and includes communities within Cook, DuPage and Kane counties. More than 39,000 pre-K through twelfth graders attend the 57 District schools and programs. To learn more, visit the [U-46 website](#), or like us on [Facebook](#) and follow us on [Twitter](#).