

School and Community Relations
Update to the Board
January 27, 2020

Mary Fergus, Director of School and Community Relations Karla Jimenez, Coordinator of Family and Community Engagement

Telling Our Story Via Many Channels



Internal and External Communications for 5,000 team members and 28,000 families Website

Social Media

Online Backpack

Publications (Annual Report)

Press Releases

Videos

U46Engage (Parent E-Newsletter)

CEO Weekly

Let's Talk!

Blackboard (Connect and Mobile App)





U46Engage: The Newsletter

355 East Chicago St. Elgin, IL 60120 • 847-888-5000 • www.u-46.org

Calendar

- · Monday, Jan. 20: No classes for students. Martin Luther King Jr. Day.
- Monday, Jan. 27: U-46 Board of Education Meeting. Check u-46.org for specific meeting time in Room 140, Educational Services Center, 355 E. Chicago St., Elgin. Also available to watch on YouTube.
- · Friday, Jan 31: No classes for students.

Parents Urged to Take 5Essentials Survey

Can you set aside 10 minutes to help improve the school culture and learning environment at your children's schools?



Organizing Schools for Improvement Ten minutes is all it takes to complete

research-based survey provides a unique opportunity for teachers, students, and parents to have a voice in improving our schools.

This survey generates reports to help drive school improvement on the five leading indicators or "assentials" - effective leaders, collaborative teachers, involved families

Family Communication



More than 1.3 million unique visitors

Top 5 Most Viewed pages

- 1. District Homepage, 1,801,317 views
- 2. Staff Resources, 623,149 views
- 3. Department Directory, 303,337 views
- 4. School Calendar, 259,869 views
- 5. Infinite Campus, 246,425 views



Communication Highlights



More than 18,000 "likes"



More than 400 Videos, 1.4K Subscribers



More than 13,000 messages, including 300 from District



More than 6,000 followers



18,000 app downloads



More than 5,000 followers

TOP 10 VIDEOS OF 2018-2019

- U-46 Educational Foundation Mini-Grants
- 2019 Superintendent's Scholarship
- 3. SHS Harbor Freight Surprise
- 4. BHS Friday Flyover (several)
- 5. Kindergarten Pre-Registration Events
- 6. 2019 Graduation
- 7. BHS Mentors for Tomorrow
- BHS Golden Apple Teacher Scott Wetendorf
- 9. U-46 2019 Student Summit
- 10. SHS Career Exploration Program

Note: 8 out of 10 were also media stories.



Alumni Profile Campaign

#U46AlumniSunday



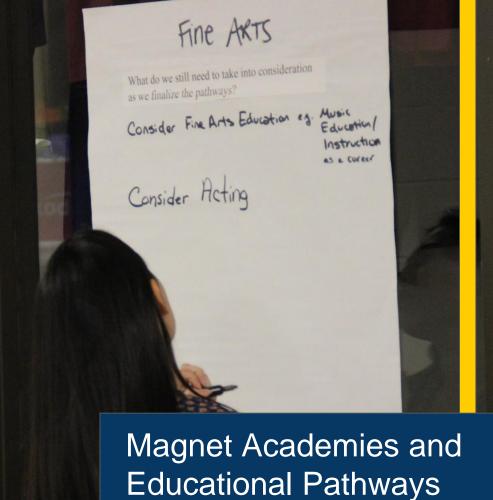
TOP INTEREST AREAS

3,707 Dialogues













5 Essentials Survey

Priority 5: Community Engagement

Parents' Assessment of Involvement in Schools

SY 2015-16: 35 percent SY 2016-17: 40 percent SY 2017-18: 41 percent SY 2018-19: 57 percent*

Priority 6:

Parent Connectedness

SY 2015-16: 40 percent SY 2016-17: 43 percent SY 2017-18: 49 percent SY 2018-19: 52 percent





FDK Promise

2016-17: 38 percent signed a Promise 2017-18: 41 percent signed a Promise 2018-19: 43 percent signed a Promise 2019-20: 96 percent signed a Promise

▼ Kindergarten Parent Volunteer Promise



Kindergarten Parent Volunteer Promise

"A promise to be an involved family"













#THANKAU46TEACHER









#THANKAU46TEACHER

#THANKAU46TEACHER

#THANKAU46TEACHER



What's Next

- U-46 Educational Foundation
- Employee Recognition
- School Improvement Initiatives
- Equity Plan
- Continued Pathways Communications
- Expand U46Engage