



## The weekly newsletter from School District U-46

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### Calendar

- **Wednesday, May 31:** Last day of classes in U-46 schools.
- **Wednesday, May 31:** Deadline for currently enrolled students to register for the 2023-24 school year. [Details here.](#)
- **Monday, June 5:** U-46 Board of Education meeting. [Details here.](#)
- **Wednesday, June 7:** First day of Summer Connection for select programming. [Details here.](#)

### Summer Break

Tomorrow marks the start of the summer recess.

We want to wish your family a relaxing, happy, healthy summer full of new memories and experiences.

The weekly U-46 Engage newsletter will be taking a break too.

If your child is enrolled in Summer Connection programming, you'll hear more details from the principal of their building or in the case of community programming, the community partner. Questions can also be submitted via [Let's Talk.](#)



## Summer Reading Challenge

Did you know that research shows that children who read four or more books over the summer score higher in reading and math when they return to school?



We are fortunate that all of the public libraries that serve our community offer great “Summer Reading Challenges,” with fun themes, programs, events, and incentives. Here’s info on those libraries, their locations, and links to their Summer Reading programs. If you haven’t already, sign your family up for one of these exciting Summer Reading Challenges today!

### [Gail Borden Public Library - Reading is Rad!](#)

- Main Library - 270 N. Grove Ave., Elgin
- Rakow Branch - 2751 W. Bowes Road, Elgin
- South Elgin Branch - 127 S. McLean Blvd., South Elgin

### [Bartlett Public Library - Dive Into the Summer Reading Challenge](#)

- 800 S. Bartlett Road, Bartlett

### [Poplar Creek Public Library - Reading Road Trip](#)

- Main Library - 1405 S. Park Ave., Streamwood
- Carter Greenhew Branch - 4800 Anderson Lane, Hanover Park

## [Carol Stream Public Library - Camp Hiawatha: Find Your Voice](#)

- 616 Hiawatha Drive, Carol Stream

More information about the area Summer Reading Challenges is posted on the U-46 website [here](#).

## Learning on the Go

Members of the Elgin Partnership for Early Learning (EPEL) are visiting nine neighborhood parks each week this summer to provide free family engagement and early learning opportunities. These events are called Learning on the Go, and they are supported by community partners including the YWCA Elgin, School District U-46, Gail Borden Public Library, United Way of Metro Chicago, Elgin Township, and the Seigle Foundation.



Children get to participate in a read-aloud and receive new books and learning materials to build early math and literacy skills. Lunch is served at some sites. Library bookmobiles will visit so families can apply for library cards and check out books.

Find details on the park locations, dates and hours at [elginpartnership.org/learning-go](http://elginpartnership.org/learning-go).

## #U46Classof2023

Family members, friends, and U-46 employees turned out in large numbers on Saturday to celebrate the #U46Classof2023 during five graduation ceremonies held at the NOW Arena.

Later this week, we'll share a video highlighting moments from the commencement ceremonies on our [YouTube account](#) and [Facebook page](#).

In the meantime, visit our [Class of 2023](#) page for a selection of photos, and follow #U46Classof2023 on the District's [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#) accounts, too.







## Unite U-46

Save the date! The next Unite U-46 meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, June 20, from 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the U-46 Welcome Center, 1019 E. Chicago St., Elgin.



Unite U-46, which is a community engagement initiative, helped develop recommendations in 2022 and 2023 on the best way to implement the vision of the U-46 Board of Education. That work led to the passage of a [zero-tax-rate-change bond proposal](#) this past spring.

The next phase of this process will focus on keeping the entire U-46 community informed and engaged as plans and projects are confirmed.

More information about June's meeting, and upcoming sessions, will be posted at [u46.org/uniteu46](https://u46.org/uniteu46).

## Stay Connected

Even over summer break, there are several easy ways to stay connected to School District U-46:

- Regularly visit your [school's website](#) and the District's website at [u46.org](https://u46.org). It is easy to navigate and works well on mobile phones, tablets, and computers.
- Have any questions, comments, suggestions, or kudos for U-46 staff? [Let's Talk!](#) is the District's online customer service tool where you can contact the District and schools and get a timely response.
- During the school year, parents and guardians receive "U-46Engage: The Newsletter" every Wednesday night. It will be shared monthly in June and July.
- Follow District U-46 on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), [LinkedIn](#), and [YouTube](#) to get a variety of updates of what's going on in the District and its schools.
- Stay up to date with your student's school with [Infinite Campus](#). Check that your family contact information is up to date to make it easier for communication to flow between parents and teachers, school and District administrators.

## 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 [u46.org/careers](https://u46.org/careers).



Here are a couple of positions that we are highlighting:

- [Administrative Assistant to Assistant Superintendent of Equity and Innovation](#): This individual will assist with projects to improve diverse and equitable instructional and programmatic opportunities that meet students' academic and social emotional needs and interests of the U-46 community.
- [Homebound Tutor](#): This position is for an educator who will teach K-12 students who are homebound. They will deliver teaching curriculum supplied by classroom teachers, special education teachers, and/or occupational therapists. They will also serve as an important point of contact between the parents, students, teachers, nurses, and counselors.

## 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:

- Boy Scouts Three Fires Council - Outdoor Academy
- U.S. Department of Transportation - Road Safety Art Contest

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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