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Calendar

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

- **Monday, Aug. 19:** U-46 Board of Education meeting. [Details here](#).
- **Tuesday, Aug. 20:** First day of school for preschool students. [Details here](#).

#U46FirstDay2024

U-46 principals, teachers, paraeducators and other staff were excited to welcome back to our school buildings U-46 students in kindergarten through 12th grade, as well as Transition programs. It was a great day to learn in U-46! You can see photos from the day on U-46's [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#) pages under the #U46FirstDay2024 hashtag.



Bus Routes and Schedules

U-46's school buses are a critical link between home and 55 schools and programs for more than 25,000 students across 11 communities served by the District. We are grateful for the bus drivers, assistants, route managers, mechanics and other Transportation staff who keep this important system running every school day.



At the beginning of the school year, there are often delays as drivers become familiar with their routes and stops, and as adjustments are made to improve service and efficiency. We ask for patience from U-46 families during this period.

School bus delays can also be caused by weather conditions, road closures, and more. U-46 parents and guardians with children who ride U-46 buses are urged to download the Versatrans "My Stop" app so that they can see, in real time, the location of their child's school bus.

[Here](#) are step-by-step instructions on how to download the app to your smartphone, sign in, and navigate the app.

School Safety



[Watch this video](#) to learn more about the security measures used by U-46 to manage visitors and as well as important terminology used when managing safety situations.

Grading Update



Beginning with the 2024-25 school year, reported grades for students will be a combination of a student's demonstration of mastery through summative, formative, and intentional practice work. More information about Standards Based Learning can be found [here](#), as well as in this [detailed video](#). A Spanish-language version of the video will be available soon.

Johnson on the Job



In the video series “Johnson on the Job,” Superintendent Johnson visits U-46 employees to learn more about their daily work and the important part they play in the District. She will be spending time with more employees this school year, and in the meantime, you can catch up on past visits [here](#).

More Resources

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 [here](#).



Care Solace

[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. Learn more [here](#).





Board of Education

The Board of Education meetings are streamed on the District's [YouTube channel](#) and via Zoom. Written highlights from the meetings, as well as presentations delivered to the Board, can be found [here](#).

We're Hiring

Have you considered becoming a part of the U-46 team? School District U-46 offers a number of [rewarding opportunities](#) for educators and support staff.

Community

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



School District U-46

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