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GRAYSLAKE MIDDLE SCHOOL EAST

Dr. Lynn Glickman, Superintendent

We continue to feel enormous gratitude to our community for all of the problem-solving, patience, and genuine warmth that has gone into the unexpected opening of "GMS East" at the University Center of Lake County at 1200 University Center Drive, Grayslake. Grayslake Middle School students walked through the doors of their temporary school site on Tuesday, January 23rd, and, with the encouragement and outstanding organization of the entire GMSE staff, within about a day they were settled right in! As our community is aware, we created a satellite site for GMS students due to the need for extensive repairs from damage incurred during the extreme weather a few weeks ago.

Last week brought a new opportunity for our GMS students, as they experienced two "field trip" days. Through visits to the <u>Lake County Tech</u> <u>Campus</u> and <u>College of Lake County (CLC)</u>, our students were able to envision future possibilities for themselves. We note that the trips were born of necessity, as the University Center was unavailable to us for two days due to a prior reservation. With a new "problem to solve", we rolled up our sleeves and came up with a solution that created opportunity instead of loss! We are immensely grateful to our generous partners at the Tech Campus and CLC who immediately said, "Yes! Let's do it!"



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GRAYSLAKE MIDDLE SCHOOL EAST (CONTINUED)

Late yesterday afternoon, we were updated with more information about the timeline of work completion at GMS. The full scope of work includes fixing unit ventilators, replacing all fire sprinklers, replacing our large gym floor, and the complete clean up of all classrooms and offices affected before we can safely return students and staff to the building.

We have learned that this work will take about 12 more weeks to complete, and we have an approximate completion date of April 26th. Our vendors are committed to doing all they can to complete the work ahead of schedule, if possible. We've worked with University Center to identify any dates that have been previously booked by other agencies, and are in the process of problem-solving around those dates. For example, the University Center is a polling place on March 19, and so we are working to find another venue for student learning for that date.

We are so fortunate to have access to the University Center of Lake County (GMS East) right here in our community. Our students, staff, families and CCSD 46 community have truly come together to ensure that we have a safe and positive school for our GMS students and staff to continue to learn and teach while away from GMS. We cannot thank our partners at the University Center, our families, and our community enough for your patience and understanding.



MULTILINGUAL PARENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE (MPAC) UPDATE

Dr. Stephanie Diaz, Director of Multilingual

A point of pride for CCSD 46 is our MPAC committee. This committee is required by IL State Code for any district that offers formal instruction in a language other than English. CCSD 46 has a One Way Dual Language program from PreK-8th grade (English and Spanish) and Literacy focused English Language Development classes for students who speak another language at home and are not in the One way Dual program. These programs make up our Multilingual (ML) Program.

MPAC is composed of parents of children in the ML program as well as other interested community members. Two-thirds of the committee members must be parents of children in the ML program. The committee meets six times a year and participates in the planning, operation, and evaluation of the program. There are at least four district-wide events during the year. All parents of students in the ML Program are invited to become members and participants of the Committee.

Some of the events that MPAC hosted this year included: Literacy Night where the students were able to Build a Buddy, A parent presentation on Translanguaging, Dia de los Muertos/Pumpkin Science. Upcoming events include a formal presentation regarding the funding proposal, International Dance night, a Glow Dance Party, and a Trip to Oakbrook in May for the Parent Summit.





MULTILINGUAL PARENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE (MPAC) UPDATE

MPAC's Mission Statement

The mission of the Multilingual Parent Advisory Committee is to prepare all of our students to meet the challenges of a rapidly changing, technology-oriented, and diverse society. We want to ensure that linguistically diverse students have equal status and access to quality education. We will continually strive for excellence in all aspects of the education process and teach our students to understand and appreciate human and cultural diversity. We will use the resources of the entire community, including students, parents, teachers, staff, administrators, and business leaders. We will encourage students to be lifelong learners, to demonstrate high achievement, and to develop the skills and characteristics needed to enjoy happy and successful lives.

MPAC's Goals

- 1. Encourage parental involvement in the education of their children.
- 2. Serve as a liaison between the school district, the parents, and the general community.
- 3. Inform parents about the advantages of bilingual and ESL education.
- 4. Participate as volunteers in school, as well as participate in school-sponsored events.
- 5. Assist in the organization of workshops for parents and attend workshop sessions pertinent to "Effective Parenting".

If you would like to learn more about MPAC please do not hesitate to contact me, Dr. Stephanie Diaz at <u>diaz.stephanie@d46.org</u>.





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Join us for an information meeting on the limiting rate referendum which is on the **March 19, 2024** ballot. Choose a date that fits your schedule, and bring a friend!

UPCOMING COMMUNITY MEETINGS

FEB 09, 2024 – MPAC Presentation – Frederick School 6:30 p.m. **Spanish interpreter available

- FEB 12, 2024 Prairieview School 6:30 p.m.
- FEB 20, 2024 Woodview School 6:30 p.m.
- FEB 28, 2024 Meadowview School 6:30 p.m.

VOTER INFORMATION

Not sure if you are registered to vote or where to vote? Visit the Lake County Clerk's webpage for information on voter registration, voting options, and everything you need to know about how to vote in Lake County.

https://www.lakecountyil.gov/332/Voter-Services

You can also visit our webpage to learn more about the District needs, try out our tax calculator, and view all of the information you need to make an informed decision. <u>https://d46.org/excellence/</u>

FOUNDATION 46 BARNFEST RETURNS



Visit the <u>Foundation 46 website</u> for tickets and more information!

Barnfest, a cherished **Foundation 46** tradition, is returning on April 20, 2024, at a new location! Join us for this adultsonly event at Jesse Oaks Barn, 18490 W Old Gages Lake Road, Gages Lake, from 6-11 PM. This event has grown into Foundation 46's capstone fundraising activity, generating crucial funding for grants that directly benefit all CCSD 46 schools.

What is Barnfest? An over-21 evening of dinner, music, silent auction, raffles, games, prizes, and so much more! Early bird tickets are on sale now through February 14 - so act fast! Tickets include dinner and five complimentary raffle tickets.



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MEMORIES OF WOODVIEW: Grayslake Historical Society Event

The **Grayslake Historical Society** is hosting a reminiscing session: Remembering Woodview School on Saturday, February 10, at 10:00 AM in the Community Room of the Grayslake Heritage Center, 164 Hawley Street, in downtown Grayslake. Past and present students, staff, and friends of Woodview are invited to share their memories of their school time at Woodview. A moderator will help lead the round-table discussion. This event is free and open to the public, no registration is required. Coffee and donuts will be available. This event will be recorded and stored in the Historical Society archives.



Grayslake Historical Society & Aluseum

MARTIN LUTHER KING DAY - January 15, 2024

On Monday, January 15, members of the CCSD 46 Board of Education partnered with the **Grayslake Area Public Library** for a day of sharing kindness through crafts. Stations for all ages were set up throughout the library to create projects to benefit the community. One station featured make-your-own dog toys, and another station featured colored sand that participants could add to a jar. The sand colors represent what is important to people, such as green for health, red for love, blue for community, orange/pink for friendship, purple/pink for family, and black/white/grey/gold for imagination. Over 100 people added sand to the jar to create a beautiful 3D representation of our community. One comment that especially resonated with our volunteers was "We have to add a lot of community because that's what brings us together."







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GRAYSLAKE MIDDLE SCHOOL EAST

Grayslake Middle School at the University Center of Lake County, and field trip visits to the College of Lake County and the Lake County Tech Campus.













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565 Frederick Road, Grayslake, IL 60030

February, 2024

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Parents, teachers and students in Grades 4-8 in Community Consolidated School District 46 will have an opportunity to participate in the annual statewide Illinois 5Essentials Survey. This survey, available in English or Spanish, is designed to generate a detailed picture of the inner workings of your child's school. As a parent, this opportunity will allow you to share your thoughts on the important elements of school effectiveness in a survey about your child's school. On behalf of the Illinois State Board of Education, the Illinois 5Essentials Survey will be administered online by UChicago Impact at the University of Chicago. The survey gathers data related to five indicators that can predict important student outcomes, including improved attendance and larger test score gains. These five indicators that affect and predict school success are:

- Effective Leaders
- Collaborative Teachers
- Involved Families
- Supportive Environments
- Ambitious Instruction

Prior research in more than 400 schools has shown that schools that were strong on at least three of these "5Essential" indicators were 10 times more likely to improve student learning gains in math and reading than those that were weak on three or more Essentials.

If at least 20 percent of parents complete this survey for a school, a parent supplement will be generated. The parent data will be used by the district as a measure of continuous improvement. Teachers across the district and students in grades 4-8 will be responding to this survey. Your participation in the parent portion of the survey will help us understand the conditions at your child's school and guide improvement. Your identity and survey responses will be kept completely confidential and will never be connected to you or your child. For parents, the Illinois 5Essentials Survey will be available through March 29, 2024. To take the survey please visit https://survey.5-essentials.org/illinois/ and select the appropriate survey to begin.

For students in Grades 4-8, the Illinois 5Essentials Survey will be administered during school. This survey should take approximately 25 minutes to complete. Please see the additional information regarding the Student Survey for more details.

For more information about the Illinois 5Essentials Survey, or to view previous years' reports, please visit <u>5Essentials</u>. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact 5Essentials Client Services at 1-866-440-1874 or impact-surveys@uchicago.edu.

Sincerely, Amy Gluck Assistant Superintendent of Teaching and Learning

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Community Consolidated School District 46 is committed to maintaining educational excellence and fulfilling our mission of empowering learners, creating equity, and cultivating community.

The CCSD 46 Board of Education has unanimously adopted a resolution to place a limiting rate referendum on the March 19, 2024 ballot. Approximately half of the proceeds of the voter-approved referendum would focus on capital facility improvements and the other half on operating needs.

Capital facility needs to be addressed:

- · Funding emergency response systems and security cameras
- Replacing roofing, mechanical, plumbing, and HVAC systems
- · Constructing ADA accessibility improvements
- Renovating libraries to include space for STEM programming and collaboration
- · Reconfiguring and improving student support spaces

Operating needs to be addressed:

- Attracting, training, and retaining quality teachers
- Maintaining class sizes
- Protecting current programming

Tax rate reduced, even with passage of referendum:

By timing the proposed limiting rate increase to begin after the District pays off existing debt, the referendum would result in a net tax decrease.

Informational Meetings

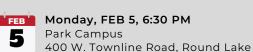
CCSD 46 will be conducting informational meetings in January and February. Please join us at one of these upcoming events. The content is expected to be the same at all meetings so attend the session that is most convenient for you. Share this information with friends, family, and neighbors who are interested in our schools.



JAN Monday, JAN 29, 6:30 PM Frederick School 595 Frederick Road, Grayslake

Grayslake Middle School

Wednesday, JAN 31 - CANCELED JAN



440 N Barron Blvd., Grayslake



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Friday, FEB 9, 6:30 PM ** Multilingual Parent Advisory Committee Frederick School 595 Frederick Road, Grayslake **Spanish interpreter available



FEB Monday, FEB 12, 6:30 PM Prairieview School 103 E. Belvidere Road, Hainesville



FEB Tuesday, FEB 20, 6:30 PM Woodview School 340 Alleghany Road, Grayslake



Wednesday, FEB 28, 6:30 PM Meadowview School 291 Lexington Lane, Grayslake



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