

# CCSD 46 DISTRICT NEWS

MAY 29, 2024



## 2024-2025 REGISTRATION GOING ON NOW!

**Early Bird pricing for the 2024-2025 school year registration is coming to an end this Friday, May 31, 2024. Act now to save on registration costs!**

**Registration** for current CCSD 46 students and siblings starting school next year is going on now. For families new to the district, please visit our registration page on the district website and click New Student Registration. For families with students continuing on with CCSD 46, please log on to the Infinite Campus Portal to register your current student. If you have an incoming kindergarten or pre-k student you may add those siblings when you register your current student.

An important note regarding pre-kindergarten registration: if you are interested in enrolling your preschool-aged child for the 2024-2025 school year you must attend an Early Childhood screening - the final screening date for this year is June 4, 2024. For more information, please contact our Early Childhood Center at 847-543-6204.



After completing the Online Registration application, the 2024-2025 registration fees can be paid online by clicking on Fees in the left menu. Act now as early bird pricing is in effect only until May 31!

Please remember that for registration to be complete for the upcoming school year, in addition to the payment of registration fees, the Online Registration application must be submitted and approved. Schedules and transportation assignments will not be released in August until registration is complete.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

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- May 30** - D46 School's Out Celebration (WV, FS, GMS, PC) - The Freeze
- May 31** - Last Day of School
- June 2** - Eighth Grade Graduation Ceremonies - Grayslake North High School  
Grayslake Middle School 11:30 am, Park Campus 2:00 pm
- June 5** - Board of Education Meeting - Frederick School 6:00 pm
- June 17** - Juneteenth Celebration - Grayslake Library
- June 19** - Juneteenth National Independence Day - All District Schools and  
Offices are closed

## SUMMER COMMUNITY EVENTS

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- May 31**, 8:30 pm Movies Off Center: The Goonies - Grayslake
- June 1**, 10:00 am Spring Farmers Market - Grayslake
- June 5**, 3:00 pm Summer Farmers Market Kickoff - Grayslake
- June 8**, 10:00 am Arts Festival & Wine Tasting - Grayslake
- June 9**, 12:00 pm Better Together Pride Parade - Grayslake



## **TEACHING & LEARNING UPDATE**

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### **AMY GLUCK, ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT OF TEACHING & LEARNING**

#### **GRADES 5-8 SCHEDULE CHANGES FOR 2024-2025**

The following information was shared with our Frederick, Grayslake Middle School, and Park Campus families regarding next year's school schedule.

*We are excited to share that new schedules will go into effect at grades 5-8 for the 24-25 school year in order to increase consistency between the schools at the 5-8 level. District staff have been working over the course of the 22-23 and 23-24 school years to develop a schedule that meets the needs of the students and community. The specific building schedules will be shared out closer to the start of the school year. This new schedule will provide consistency in length of classes for grade levels at all schools for grades 5-8, opportunities for band within the school day at grades 6-8, and the same Encore course offerings at all three buildings.*

*Students will receive a double block of English Language Arts at the 5th grade level and consistent 70-minute courses at grades 6-8. The Encore courses (art, music, and STEM) will run on trimesters rather than quarters providing consistency in the grading structure for all classes. Band programs will be an option for students to take in lieu of other Encore classes at grades 6-8. Choir programs will be an option for students in lieu of other Encore classes at grades 7-8. In addition, health, which was previously an Encore, will be rotating from PE courses throughout the school year which will give students an opportunity to receive both health and PE classes each trimester.*

*CCSD 46 students will continue to have English Language Arts and Math on a daily basis and will attend Science and Social Science using an A/B schedule. An A/B schedule means that students will alternate days between Science and Social Science. For example, if a student has Science on Monday, then that same student will attend Social Science on Tuesday. This is similar to the schedule that Frederick School currently follows for these subject areas.*

*Much more information about this new schedule will be shared with families closer to the start of the school year.*

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## GRADES 5-8 SCHEDULE CHANGES FOR 2024-2025 [Continued]

The following message was also sent to GMS families with students in band:

*As you saw in our previous communication, we are excited to share that we will have new schedules at grades 5-8 for the 24-25 school year. This message is specifically regarding the band programs at Grayslake Middle School (GMS).*

*We would like to assure you that GMS will continue to hold symphonic band, jazz band, and wind ensemble with Mr. Thomas. Please note that both wind ensemble and symphonic band will be taken in lieu of the other encore courses so that all students have access to interventions which includes student remediation and extension. While this is a change for symphonic band members, it is not for wind ensemble. Students who choose to participate in both band and choir will continue to have this option. Specific student schedules will be sent out closer to the school year and Mr. Thomas will be in touch over the next couple of months about band specific information.*

Here are some questions that have been asked, and the answers:

### **Q: Why are changes being made?**

A: Curricular Goal #2 in the CCSD 46 strategic plan includes “Explore possible revisions to the structure of the day grades 5-8.” Over the course of the 22-23 and 23-24 school year, the district explored ways to develop consistency in instruction for students across buildings at the 5-8 level. The changes that are being made to the schedule allow for students at Frederick School, Grayslake Middle School, and Park Campus to receive the same access to instruction, intervention, encore, and PE. Past schedules at the varying schools had different lengths of instructional minutes, and students at GMS missed intervention opportunities to attend band and choir.

### **Q: Will there be math and reading interventions available at all schools?**

A: Yes. In fact, one of the reasons for some of the schedule changes is to ensure that all students have access to those interventions as needed.

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## GRADES 5-8 SCHEDULE CHANGES FOR 2024-2025 [Continued]

### **Q: What encore classes will be available for students?**

A: We will have three consistent encore classes offered at the three schools. These encore classes will be art, music, and STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Math). If students are participating in band or choir, they will be taking those classes in lieu of the other encore classes.

### **Q: Will GMS still have a Drama/Dramatically Speaking class?**

A: Drama/Dramatically Speaking at GMS will be discontinued. Although many students have enjoyed this class over the years, it was a class that was available only at GMS, not at Park Campus. The learning standards that were taught in the class are also taught within the English Language Arts classes. Drama/Dramatically Speaking will no longer be an Encore at GMS, and like at Park Campus, students will receive the speaking and listening standards through English Language Arts. Instead, STEM will be offered at GMS, Park, and Frederick.

### **Q: Are teachers being asked to teach something different next year?**

A: Just like occurs every year, there are a few teachers who are moving positions. There are no more occurrences of this in the upcoming year than is typical. It is a regular occurrence for teachers to change subject areas or grade levels based on the fluctuating needs within our schools.

### **Q: Are these changes resulting in teachers being released from service?**

A: No, that is not the case. The schedule changes will not result in teachers being released.

### **Q: Why do students have to miss their encore classes in order to participate in band and/or choir?**

A: Currently some students at GMS and all students at Frederick School already miss their encore classes to participate in band. Other band students miss their intervention period to participate in band. This change allows all students to have access to the intervention period which includes student remediation and extension.

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## GRADES 5-8 SCHEDULE CHANGES FOR 2024-2025 [Continued]

### **Q: Will students be prepared for high school science and social science with the switch to an A/B schedule?**

A: Yes, students will be receiving instruction focused on the IL State Standards in the content areas that prepare them for the high school courses. We have been articulating with D127 to ensure that students will continue to be prepared. In addition, D127 is on a block schedule with 90 minute blocks for instruction. The hybrid block schedule that CCSD 46 will be using will begin to prepare students for their high school experience.

If you have any questions regarding our efforts to provide consistency to learning throughout the district, please reach out to Dr. Lynn Glickman, Superintendent, at [glickman.lynn@d46.org](mailto:glickman.lynn@d46.org).

Dr. Glickman will be happy to address any questions or concerns. We thank our community for their involvement in and commitment to ensuring that all CCSD 46 students have the best educational experience possible.

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## NWEA MAP ASSESSMENT

In early May, students in grades K-8 participated in the Northwest Evaluation Educational Association (NWEA) Measure of Academic Progress (MAP GROWTH) or MAP for Primary Grades (MAP GROWTH K-2). CCSD 46 students in kindergarten and first grade take the Reading and Math MAP GROWTH K-2 test in Fall, Winter and Spring. CCSD 46 students in grades 2-8 take the Reading and Math MAP GROWTH test in the Fall, Winter and Spring. If your child took the MAP GROWTH or MAP GROWTH K-2 test earlier this year, you will be provided a copy of their results along with this information on Friday, May 31st.

We know that the MAP assessment results are important external data points regarding your child's achievement, but they may not provide a complete picture of your child. The additional data provided by your classroom teacher regarding your child's day-to-day performance shared through report cards throughout the year are significantly important. Please contact your child's teacher, the building principal or the district office if you have any additional questions.



## COMMUNICATIONS UPDATE



While our outstanding teaching staff takes a well-deserved break over the summer, CCSD 46 will continue to share news through social media and also in our District Newsletter periodically over summer break. This summer, we are aligning our newsletters to fall in between our Board of Education meetings so we can share “Board Brief” information, as well as our general district news. Our regular two-week cycle will restart in the fall.

Community members who do not have children in our schools can also sign up to receive our newsletters delivered to your inbox - simply email [d46webmaster@d46.org](mailto:d46webmaster@d46.org) and let us know you are interested in hearing about all of the exciting projects and programs we have going on at CCSD 46!

## LAST DAY OF SCHOOL MAY 31, 2024

SHARE A  
PHOTO!



### LAST DAY OF SCHOOL!

Feel free to share your last day of school photos - we'll create an album on social media and share all of the excitement.

We'd love to see our former students as well - feel free to share high school and college-aged D46'ers too!

Email [d46webmaster@d46.org](mailto:d46webmaster@d46.org) or Private Message @CCSD46 on Facebook.



## Celebrating our Graduates!

This year, our eighth-grade graduates and families from Park Campus and Grayslake Middle School are invited to Grayslake North High School - 1925 N Illinois Route 83, Grayslake - for their 2023-2024 Graduation Ceremony on Sunday, June 2, 2024.

Grayslake Middle School students and families will join members of the Board of Education, administration, and school staff for the presentation of diplomas at 11:30 am on the Grayslake North High School football field. Park Campus students and families will follow for their graduation ceremony at 2:00 pm.

**Congratulations to the Park Campus and  
Grayslake Middle School  
Class of 2024!**





## FOUNDATION 46 UPDATE



Barnfest was hosted on Saturday, April 20th at Jesse Oaks. It marked our first major fundraising event since the onset of Covid. Thanks to the generosity of our community sponsors, we welcomed over 150 members of the Grayslake community for an evening filled with delicious food, great music, fun games, and the thrill of a mechanical bull! Most importantly, thanks to everyone's contributions, we raised over \$14,000 to support the mission of Foundation46. These funds will make an impactful difference for District 46 staff and students through the grants that Foundation46 can continue to provide.

Our sponsors included Diamond Sponsor – Jodi Cinq Mars Group Keller Williams North Shore West and Silver Sponsor – The Yoga Effect. In addition, the following community sponsors contributed to our success: Discovering Grayslake Podcast, ZShots, Black Lung Brewery, No.36 Fitness, Circus Kazoo, Andy's Records, Orthodontic Specialists of Lake County, Becka's Boot Camp, Emil's Tavern on Center, Blush Boutique and Spa, Card my Yard, Grayslake Central Boosters, Grayslake North Boosters, Grayslake Police, Great Wolf Lodge, and Kathleen Weinstein Portraits.



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## FOUNDATION 46 UPDATE [CONTINUED]



We also celebrated our nominees for the Tom Meskel Commitment to Education Award. The award, which was named for the first recipient, the Tom Meskel Commitment to Education Award is presented annually to a CCSD 46 community member for demonstrating a commitment to enriching and enhancing education and for demonstrating an understanding that it takes a village. That evening we celebrated two winners, Kristin Roy Heupel was the 2022 winner. She had been notified of her award in 2022, however Foundation46 wanted to formally celebrate her that evening at Barnfest. “The 2022 winner is extra special because Tom nominated her himself with a very thoughtful letter. He expressed that she brought a spark to the Foundation and ignited a passion for so many others to volunteer. She has positively impacted so many students, staff and community members over the years”. In addition the 2023 winner, Steven Thomas, Grayslake Middle School Band Director was also celebrated for his contribution to the students of Grayslake Middle School and the impact he has had on the community. “Beyond his commitment in the classroom, Mr. Thomas has sparked a lifelong passion for music for many of his students. As the band director at GMS, Steven has gone above and beyond, becoming an integral part of the Grayslake community and embodying the principle of "it takes a village." On Wednesday, May 22 – former award recipients John Badovinac (2016), Abbie Pietruszynski (2017) and Nicole McRee (2018) also presented him with a plaque at the final GMS concert of the school season.

A special shout out to our D46 PTO leaders who contributed to our success as well! They provided not only donations to the event, but many also volunteered that evening to make it enjoyable for all involved!

Dr. Glickman, Superintendent, was part of a crowdfunding collection that evening to ride the mechanical bull which raised over \$1500 in 45 minutes that evening! As is tradition, the school with the most representation at the event was gifted their teacher’s lounge stocked with goodies – Woodview school won for having 50 in attendance!

Fun was had by all and Foundation46 looks forward to future events as we work to rebuild ourselves and continue to **ENRICH ENHANCE EVERY CHILD**.





## K-4 Parent/Guardian Guide to Accessing Digital Report Cards

The 23-24 report cards will be delivered digitally through Infinite Campus. You will need your Infinite Campus Portal login information to access the report card. If you need help in accessing your Infinite Campus account, please contact your student school office.

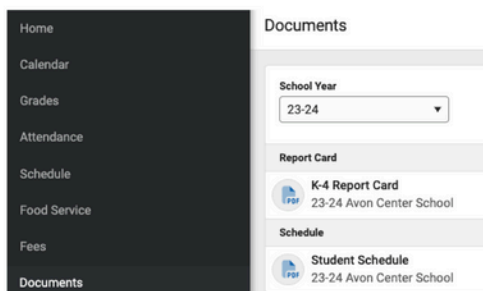
Below is how you will be able to navigate the Infinite Campus Portal to find your child's report card. The examples below are from the Infinite Campus test site. There will be a green color scheme when you log into your portal.

When you log into the Infinite Campus Portal there are two ways to access report cards.

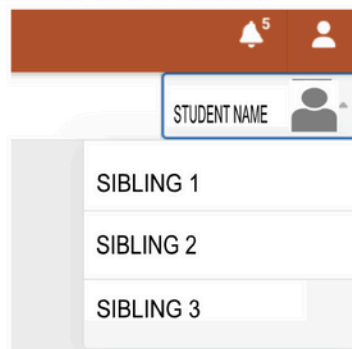
Click on the Grades tab on the left hand side.  
Then, make sure you are viewing the correct term. (Trimester 3 - T3)



You can also view your child's grade another way. You can select the Documents tab on the left, then select K4 Report Card. This format allows you to print out a hard copy if desired.



If you have multiple children in the district, you can switch between your children in the upper right hand corner of the screen.



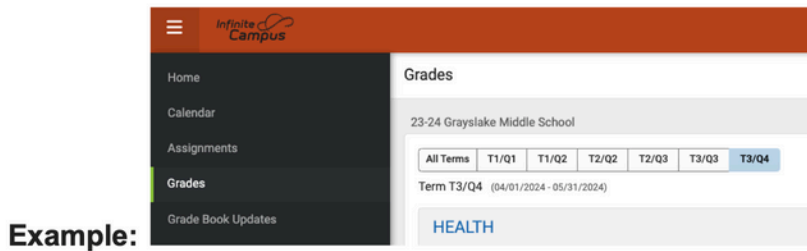
# Grades 5-8 Parent/Guardian Guide to Accessing Digital Report Cards

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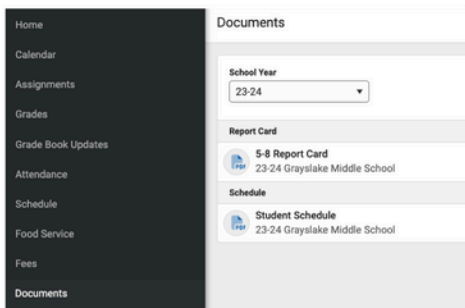
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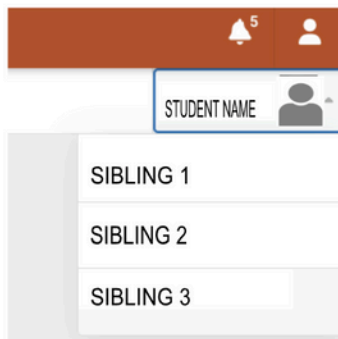
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Then, make sure you are viewing the correct term. (Term T3/Q4)



You can also view your child's grade another way. You can select the Documents tab on the left, then select 5-8 Report Card. This format allows you to print out a hard copy if desired.



If you have multiple children in the district, you can switch between your children in the upper right hand corner.



# SUMMER EBT



## What is Summer EBT?

Summer EBT, or SUN Bucks, is a new permanent nutrition program authorized by the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) to help families buy food for their school-aged children during the summer. SUN Bucks 2024 will provide a \$120 annual benefit to eligible children via an Electronic Benefit Transfer (EBT) issuance by the Illinois Department of Human Services (IDHS) later this summer. More basic information on the new federal program is available on the [USDA Information for Families webpage](#). Illinois is one of 36 states that have announced their intent to launch Summer EBT in summer 2024.

## Is my child eligible?

Your child is eligible for SUN Bucks without an application if they meet one of the following requirements:

- The child's date of birth is between July 2, 2005, and August 31, 2018, AND they received Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP); Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF); Victims of Trafficking, Torture or Other Serious Crimes (VTTC); foster care; or Medicaid (income under 185% Federal Poverty Level) any time between July 1, 2023, and August 31, 2024; or
- The child attended a school that participated in the National School Lunch Program (NSLP) during the 2023-24 school year and was deemed income-eligible to receive a free or reduced-price lunch through direct certification or an application at the school.

A child that does not meet one of the requirements above can apply for Summer EBT if they attend an NSLP school during the 2023-24 school year and believe they meet the income threshold.

**Note:** Families should contact their school while school is in session to find out how to apply if they do not meet one of the requirements above. A Summer EBT application will be available over the summer. Additionally, the agency will have a **screeener available July 1** for families to check if IDHS has the information needed to process their child's Summer EBT benefit.

## How do I enroll my child in SUN Bucks?

If you meet the qualifications above, your child will be automatically enrolled in the SUN Bucks program. You do not need to fill out an application. You will get a card in the mail sent to the address your child's school has on file. (**Households are encouraged to ensure that the enrolling school has your current mailing address.**) If you are not automatically enrolled and believe your children are eligible, you can apply to receive SUN Bucks by filling out a simple application. A statewide Summer EBT application will be made available after the school year has ended. More details will be shared once they are available.



## Who should I contact if I have questions?

Your school can assist you with basic questions about Summer EBT. However, households should visit the [IDHS Summer EBT webpage](#) for more information. IDHS will be setting up a customer help line at 833-621-0737 to assist families. The agency will be able to assist with the card distribution timeline, usage, allowable expenses, and lost or misplaced cards.

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1400 Independence Avenue, SW  
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2. **Fax:** 833-256-1665 or 202-690-7442; or
3. **Email:** [Program.Intake@usda.gov](mailto:Program.Intake@usda.gov)

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