

CCSD 46 DISTRICT NEWS

NOVEMBER 13, 2024



Board Appreciation Day November 15, 2024

As recognition of the outstanding efforts of the nearly 6,000 elected school board members throughout the state of Illinois, November 15 of each year is designated as “School Board Members Day.”

School board members are volunteers serving as advocates striving for quality education opportunities for every student. The members of our board take on this responsibility for their commitment to our CCSD 46 community and its children.

Thank you, CCSD 46 School Board Members! We recognize you for your commitment to outstanding public education!



From Left to Right: Jessica Albert, Member; Jason Lacroix, Member; Kristy Braden, Vice-President; Dr. Stephen Mack, President; Jim Weidman, Member; Kristy Miller, Member; Tamika Nash, Secretary

UPCOMING EVENTS



- NOV 15 - School Board Members Day
- NOV 19 - School Night Out Fundraiser at Emils benefitting the Woodview School PTO
- NOV 20 - Board of Education Meeting, Frederick School 6:00 pm
- NOV 25-26 - Conferences
- NOV 26 - Early Release Half Day (AM), Conferences
- NOV 27-29 - Holiday - No School
- DEC 03 - School Night Out Fundraiser at Twisted Burger benefitting Prairieview School PTO
- DEC 04 - Next District Newsletter

SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS DAY November 15, 2024



TEACHING AND LEARNING UPDATE

Report Cards

Report cards will be available for access at 3pm on November 22, 2024. The report cards can be accessed through Infinite Campus through the account you already use for registration purposes. For support in accessing the report cards, click [here](#). If you need help in accessing your Infinite Campus account, please use the links [on the site](#) to reset your username or password if needed. Translated report cards and the required updates for students receiving ML or Special Education services will be also sent home digitally if possible or they will be sent through the mail.

K-4 Report Cards

Our teachers have been working very hard to gather data about our students' progress. This year in grades K-4 our report cards have been updated to include more information. In the past each content area had headings for different sections. This year, each grade level's learning standards will be listed on the report card itself. This will allow parents/guardians to see student progress for each specific standard. Please also note the purpose statement and learning scales on the report card, which are listed below.

As a reminder, some of our learning standards repeat throughout the year, while others may not repeat but continue to build over the course of student learning. Students will be provided additional instruction as the rigor or expectations of the standards change over the school year. Students may be 'Approaching Expectations' (2) or 'Limited' (1) in regards to those skills during Trimester 1 and showing greater proficiency as the year progresses. For our students in Grades K-4, a grade of '2' for Approaching Expectations or '1' for Limited should not be considered an unsatisfactory grade. Teachers will continue to monitor and help students continue to grow as the year continues. In addition, the expectation is that students will reach a '3' for Mastery by the end of the school year. If a standard repeats throughout the year and a student receives a '3' for Mastery in a previous trimester, students will continue working towards a '4' for Extends Expectations.

Academic Performance Level for Characteristics of Learning	
Name	Score
Performing at Expectations	P
Goal for Improvement	G
Not assessed at this time	X
Incomplete	I

Academic Performance Level for K-4	
Name	Score
Extends Expectations	4
Mastery	3
Approaching Expectations	2
Limited	1
Not Assessed	NA

The purpose of this report card is to provide students and parents/guardians information about student progress towards end-of-year grade level standards. It identifies student strengths and areas for growth.



TEACHING AND LEARNING UPDATE (Continued)

Parent/Teacher Conferences

Don't forget that Parent/Teacher Conferences are scheduled for Monday, November 25 from 3:30-6:00 PM and Tuesday, November 26 from 1:00-8:00 PM. The fall conferences will be available both in-person and virtually. Please contact your child's homeroom teacher if you have not scheduled your time yet.

Please don't hesitate to contact your building principal, teacher, or the District if you have any additional questions about report cards or parent/teacher conferences.

NWEA TEST RESULTS

In August and September, 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). On Monday, November 18, families will receive a copy of their student's NWEA MAP report results.

For this first time, student MAP scores will be shared through ParentSquare. You can view these documents by clicking on the link provided in the email, text, or app notification you receive or from the web browser and the app. Please note that you **must register your ParentSquare account** in order to access your child's MAP data.

PARENTSQUARE COMMUNICATIONS PLATFORM



ParentSquare is a simple and safe way to connect and communicate.

Make sure to register your account so you can:

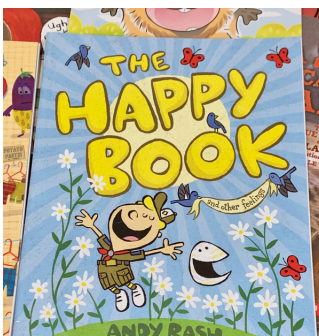
- Customize email, text and/or app notifications
- Choose the language you wish to receive and send messages in
- RSVP for classroom and school activities
- View PDF attachments
- Securely receive important student document, including NWEA MAP testing data

Visit parentsquare.com/signin to register.



MPAC FALL CELEBRATION

Friday, October 25, our Multilingual Parent Advisory Committee (MPAC) held its Fall Celebration at Grayslake Middle School. Students and families were welcomed into the large gym with an obstacle course maze, the opportunity to choose a new book and stuff a new reading buddy, and then headed to the small gym for snacks, crafts, and voted for the best scarecrow.



NAVIG8 CAREER EXPO

Eighth grade students from Grayslake Middle School and Park Campus spent the morning of October 30 with 4,000 middle and high schoolers from across Lake County at the Regional Office of Education's NAVIG8 Lake County jobs and career event at the Lake County Fairgrounds. Students came ready to learn about future career opportunities in a variety of fields, including health care services, technology, human and public service education training, manufacturing, finance, business, real estate, arts, communications, and agriculture.

Students spoke to representatives of businesses and service industries, as well as trade professionals. Many students had the opportunity to try out hands-on experiences like brick-laying masonry, providing respiratory therapy, and visiting with baby goats.



VETERANS DAY CELEBRATIONS

Veterans Day in CCSD 46 is a memorable day of respect and appreciation for those who serve our country. Students across the district learned about Veterans Day and the importance of showing appreciation for the brave servicemembers who keep our country safe.

Park Campus and Frederick School held a heartfelt celebration to recognize the service of current and former members of the armed forces with a breakfast reception and assembly on Veterans Day, November 11, 2024.

At Park Campus, guests were welcomed to join a parade around the building, where students lined the halls, expressing their gratitude. They were then celebrated with an all-school assembly featuring poems read by students, a song performed by grades K-4, and special recognition for each honored guest.

At Frederick School, Grayslake Trustee Lalena Zoe Magnetta, who is also a veteran, discussed the meaning of Veterans Day, originally known as Armistice Day, with students and special guests. Frederick's choir and band groups performed, and members of various Girl Scout and Cub Scout troops presented the colors. Following the assembly, the veterans and family members were welcome to pose for a photo with their Frederick School student or staff member.



IMPORTANT CALENDAR INFORMATION



Due to the construction planned at all school buildings during the summer of 2026, the District is beginning the planning process to adjust the school year calendars for the 2025-2026 and 2026-2027 school years.

In order to incorporate an **extra two-week period** into the summer of 2026 for the purpose of completing construction projects, the District plans to **start the 2025-2026 school year one week earlier than usual and start the 2026-2027 school year one week later than usual.**

We are working with our high school partners to ensure that our winter and spring breaks continue to align to make vacation planning easier for our district families. We will share specific start/end dates as soon as they have been determined.



CCSD 46 BOARD OF EDUCATION

GENERAL MEETING REVIEW

CCSD 46 Board of Education Meeting Review is a brief summary of events and topics of discussion that occur at general board meetings.

We welcome you to join us at our meetings or watch our live video stream on the CCSD 46 website. We have two opportunities for public comments at our meetings. Board meeting schedules, agendas, video links, and minutes are available on the [BOE webpage](#).

Upcoming Meetings: November 20 | December 11 (one meeting in December)

All meetings are held at Frederick School, 595 Frederick Road, Grayslake.

GENERAL MEETING: November 6, 2024

The CCSD 46 Board of Education held a general meeting on Wednesday, November 6, 2024, in the Falcon Room of Frederick School.

President Stephen Mack called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm. Following the Pledge of Allegiance and the approval of the agenda was the opportunity for public comment.

Mrs. Jennifer Voss, Dean of Students at Park Campus, leads the Leader of the Pack program, which includes seventh and eighth graders dedicated to supporting school activities, fostering community, and creating a positive learning environment. This year the students launched a “No Place for Hate” campaign and will celebrate diversity in January.

Board reports were presented as well as the Superintendent's report. Board member Jessica Albert attended the band and choir concerts at Grayslake Middle School and expressed her appreciation for the strong music programs in the district. Student Representatives from Park Campus, Miss Sammi Mayerson, and Miss Makayla Rowe, shared updates on several school activities: an upcoming Veterans Day Assembly, K-8 students signing the No Place for Hate pledge, a hands-on science experiment where seventh graders learned about chemical reactions by making slime, and eighth graders exploring real-world careers at the Navig8 Career Fair.



CCSD 46 BOARD OF EDUCATION

Dr. Lynn Glickman, Superintendent, welcomed the student representatives from Park Campus to the Board table and discussed district-wide professional development initiatives. She highlighted attending the Midwest Facility Masters Conference with the Operations and Maintenance department, where Scott Gaunky, Interim Director of O&M, was a presenter. The district received the “Recovery of the Year award” for recovery work done last year at Grayslake Middle School.

Mrs. Amy Gluck, Assistant Superintendent of Teaching and Learning, announced the release of the Illinois State Report Card, highlighting that Meadowview and Park East received an Exemplary designation, while the other schools were designated as Commendable. She also mentioned that parent-teacher conferences will be held on November 25 and 26.

Dr. Chris Wolk, Director of Human Resources, attended the American Association of School Personnel Administrators (AASPA) conference in Seattle, which focused on human resource information. He also presented at the Illinois Association of School Personnel Administrators (IASPA) conference, where he highlighted student-teacher placements and the collaboration between D46 and D127 to offer internships and clinical hours for high school students.

Dr. Heather Lorenzo, Director of Student Services, attended the Illinois Alliance of Administrators of Special Education (IAASE) Conference, which focused on legal information and decision-making in special education.

Ms. Amanda Pelsor, Director of Innovation, attended two quarterly workshops with the Illinois Educational Technology Leaders (IETL). There, she assisted with organizing sessions on project management and gained insights into managing anonymous threats within school districts.

Dr. Stephanie Diaz attended the Multilingual Directors Conference.

President Mack then requested a motion for the approval of the Consent Agenda, which includes Minutes from previous meetings, the Personnel Report, FOIA Review, Exception Report, and Accounts Payable Report. The motion carried.



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Action Items voted on by the Board for this meeting included:

- Approval of the Policy Updates
Approved: 5-0
- Approval of an Intergovernmental Cooperation Agreement for Mutual Assistance in Response to Crises in the Public Schools of Lake County, Illinois
Approved: 5-0
- Approval of Revised Board Meeting Calendar
Approved: 5-0

Unfinished Business, which are unresolved issues that were previously brought before the Board to be discussed further included:

- None

New Business, which are new issues for the Board to discuss, included the following:

- Media Center Core Planning Group Update
Mr. Matt Verdun of Wold Architects, presented plans for the media center updates that aim to modernize media spaces, creating enhanced learning environments for all students. In September, the district established a Core Planning Group (CPG) led by Wold Architects, to explore modernization opportunities for school libraries and media centers. This group engaged in three meetings and a field trip to visit other schools. Wold Architects guided the CPG through Conceptual Design process, gathering insights to transform library spaces into collaborative learning environments and expand STEM programming. Mr. Verdun shared design criteria, emphasizing the importance of consistent designs across grade levels. He also presented a start-to-finish timeline. Future updates will be shared with the Board.

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- IASB Resolutions

Mrs. Jessica Albert, Board Delegate, conducted a Board vote on the proposed 2024 resolutions that will be decided on at the Illinois Association of School Boards Conference.

As the meeting drew to a close, topics for future agenda items were discussed, and the public once again had an opportunity to address the Board of Education. There were no public comments. The Board adjourned the general meeting at 7:34 pm.

The next scheduled Board of Education general meeting on November 20 will be held at 6:00 pm and live-streamed online. Please visit d46.org/board-of-education for more information.

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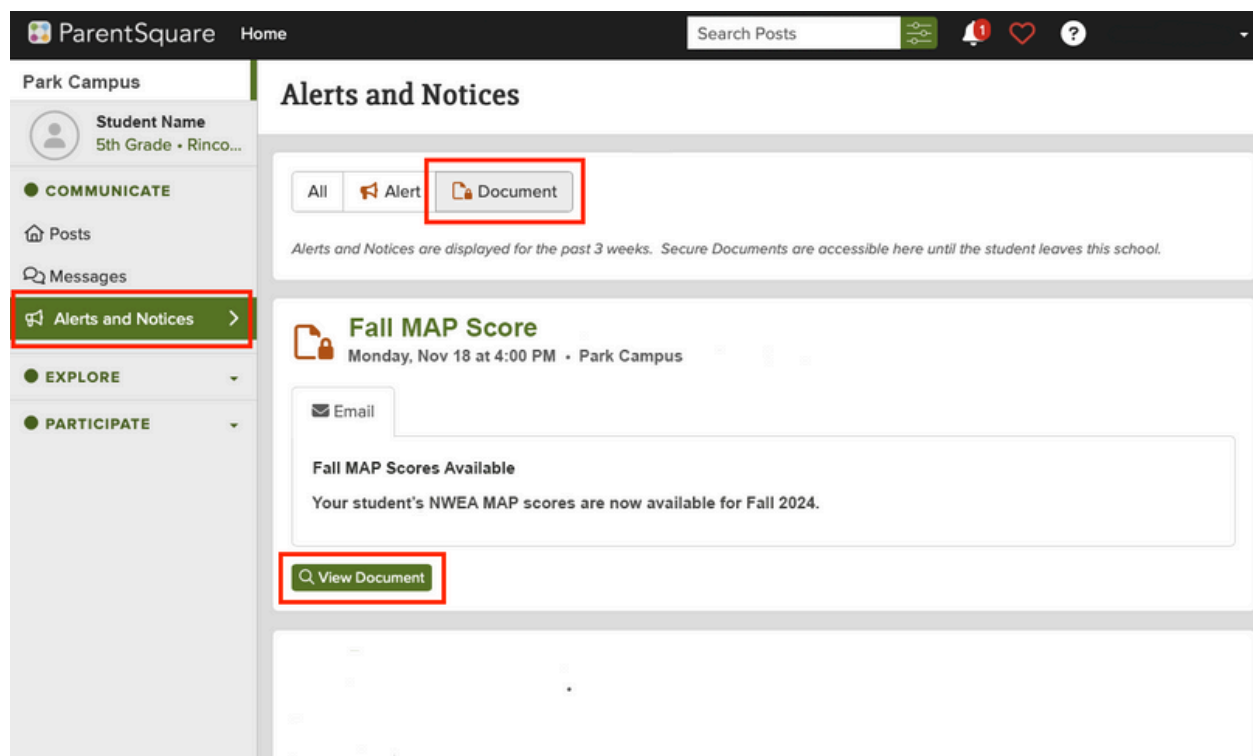


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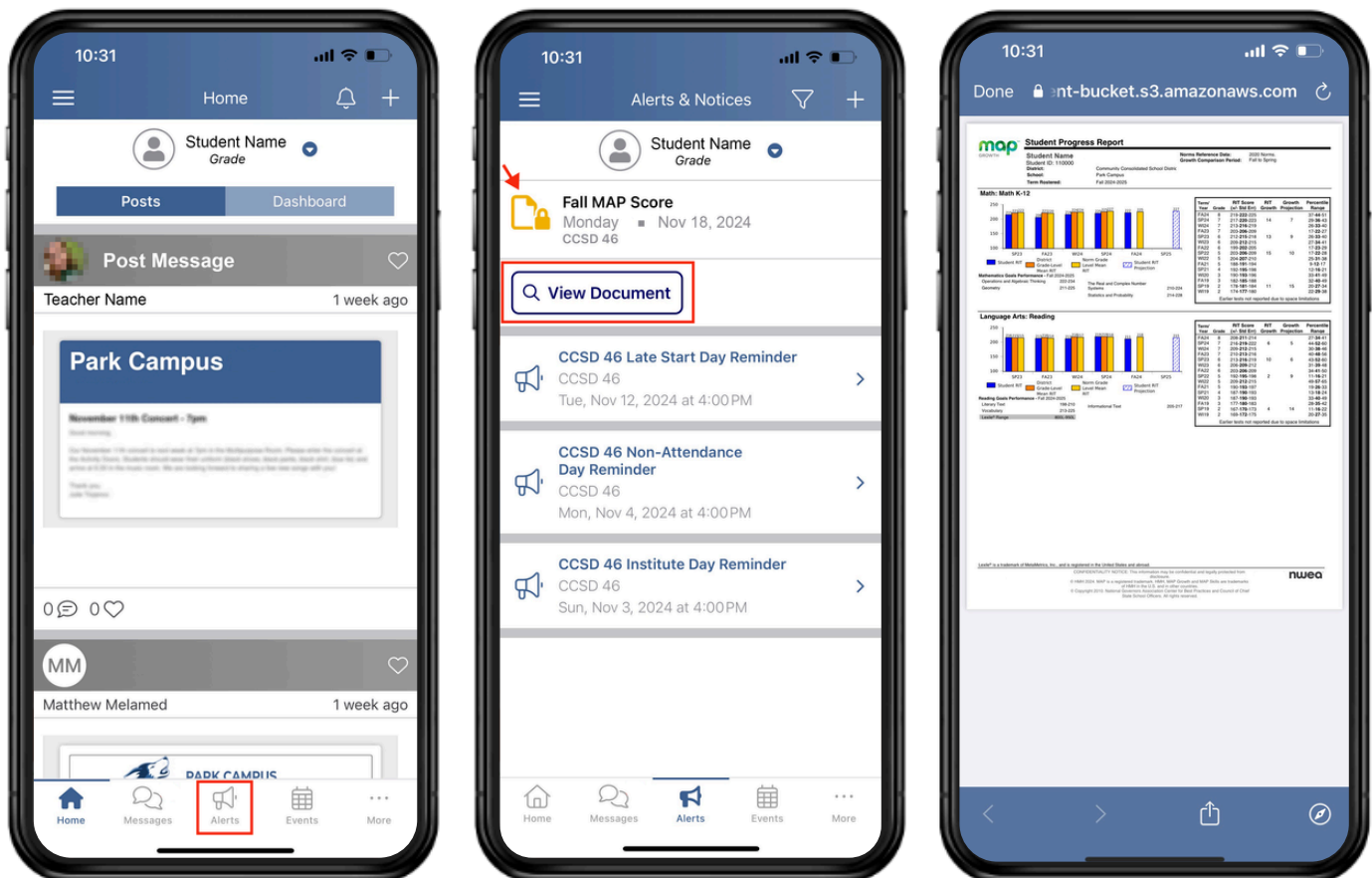
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