

CCSD 46 DISTRICT NEWS

JUNE 11, 2025



REGISTRATION FOR 2025-2026

We are very excited to report that 75% of our CCSD 46 families have completed the registration process for next year. Registration is still ongoing for current families and families moving into the district over the summer. Be sure to visit our Registration webpage for Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) and all of the information you will need to complete registration. Early registration assists the district in building staffing plans and schedules for next year.

Registration must be completed by August 1st in order to receive teacher/class assignment information in early August.

Visit <https://d46.org/registration/> for more information.



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UPCOMING EVENTS



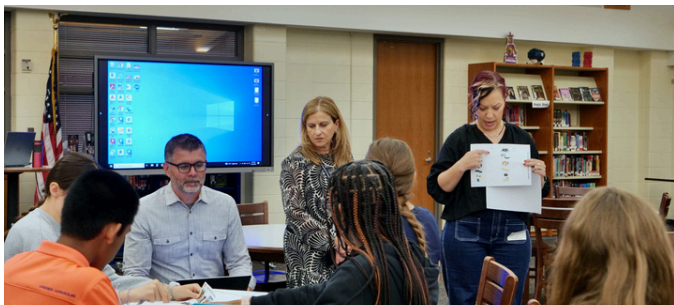
- JUNE 18 - Board of Education General Meeting - Falcon Room, Frederick School 6:00pm
- JUNE 19 - Juneteenth Holiday (No Summer School Attendance)
- JUNE 30 - JULY 3 - School Offices Closed
- JULY 03 - Last Day of Summer School
- JULY 16 - Board of Education General Meeting - Falcon Room, Frederick School 6:00pm



MEDIA CENTER REDESIGN

The district has recently completed three rounds of User Group meetings for the Media Center redesign project. Principals, media specialists, and teachers met with Wold Architects & Engineers, our architect of record, to share feedback and make adjustments to the media center redesign plans. In May, the district hosted two student user groups at Grayslake Middle School and Park Campus. Eighth-graders were able to share their feedback and input on the media center designs. They shared some very thoughtful themes and ideas.

Representatives from Wold will be in attendance at the July Board of Education meeting to further discuss the timeline of the media center projects.



LAST DAY OF SCHOOL - June 3, 2025



SUMMER SCHOOL

While we just said goodbye to our students for the 2024-2025 school year, approximately 400 students returned on June 9th for summer school! Three programs are taking place at Park Campus from June 9th through July 3rd for students in the Extended School Year, Bridges, and Adalante programs.



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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: June 18, July 16

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

GENERAL MEETING: June 4, 2025

The CCSD 46 Board of Education held a general meeting on Wednesday, June 4, 2025, 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, visitors to the meeting are invited to address the board for the first of two public comment opportunities. No comments were made.



The meeting began with a presentation by the Sustainability Task Force. Board Member Mrs. Kristy Miller, along with members of the task force, shared a presentation highlighting greenhouse gases and their impact on our environment. They also presented a collaboratively developed definition of sustainability, reflecting on the collective work of the entire group. The presentation addressed related policies, programs and initiatives aimed at supporting sustainable practices.



Following the presentation, Board reports were presented as well as the Superintendent report.

Mrs. Kristy Braden thanked everyone involved in the efforts of making the 8th-grade graduation ceremony a success. She also reminded the community that the Grayslake Pride Parade would take place on Sunday, June 8th at noon.



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Dr. Stephen Mack congratulated the graduating Class of 2025, as well as all of the district retirees. He also shared that the Board participated in its annual self-evaluation workshop, facilitated by the Illinois Association of School Boards (IASB), where members reflected on their work and discussed the Board's overall performance.

Mrs. Krisy Miller congratulated the graduates and extended her best wishes to the retirees, noting that it was a wonderful celebration.



During the Superintendent's Report, Dr. Lynn Glickman shared information on the upcoming Freedom Walk in honor of Juneteenth, which will take place from 5:00 to 7:00 pm. The walk will begin at the Grayslake Public Library and end at the Grayslake Heritage Museum, where attendees can enjoy music, crafts, and tours of the Mobile Museum of Tolerance.

Dr. Glickman also spoke about the recent Guardian/Teacher Advisory meeting, which included participation from staff, students, and guardians. The group discussed compliance with the new cell phone policy and noted that the State of Illinois is considering legislation that would ban student cell phone use in schools. She mentioned that smart watch use for communication is on the rise, but when concerns are addressed, students comply. The group also explored ways to confirm that parents have read the Student Handbook. Beginning with the 2026-2027 registration process, parents will be required to acknowledge that they have reviewed the handbook by answering a confirmation question. Additionally, Dr. Glickman addresses concerns about students making derogatory comments about staff on social media outside of school and discussed how the district might respond to such incidents in the future.

Finally Dr. Glickman noted that Tuesday marked the last day of school, and despite the rainstorm that arose at dismissal time, it was a fun and exciting day for students.

Ms. Amanda Pelsor, Director of Innovation, shared that the district has completed three rounds of user group meetings to gather feedback on the redesign of the media centers at each school. In addition, two student user groups also provided their input.

Mrs. Amy Gluck, Assistant Superintendent of Teaching and Learning, shared that Summer School will begin on June 9th. The district will welcome students in the Extended School Year, Bridges, and Adalante programs. In addition, all students had the opportunity to join the Illinois Virtual Schools and Academy online platform.



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

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

- Approval of the Emergency Management System *Raptor*.
Approved: 5-0
- Approval of the Ticketing and Inventory System *Incident IQ*.
Approved: 5-0
- Approval of the School Treasurer's Bond.
Approved: 5-0
- Approval of the CLIC Workers Compensation Renewal.
Approved: 5-0
- Approval of the CLIC Property/Casual Insurance Renewal.
Approved: 5-0
- Approval of the Contract Award for Frederick Site Improvements.
Approved: 5-0
- Approval of James Van Naarden as the Facilities Manager.
Approved: 5-0

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

- **Tentative Budget**

The Tentative Budget is developed based on projected revenues and expenditures, using the most accurate information available at this time. It remains subject to change between June and July, leading up to the Public Hearing in September. A recent update to the budget includes the emergency purchase of a new air handler unit at Park Campus due to a malfunction, with an estimated cost of approximately \$120,000. The budget also reflects staffing and benefit projections, along with anticipated costs for materials, services, and capital expenditures. Detailed line items—such as supplies and purchased services—are prepared in coordination with the Business Office. At this stage, the Tentative Budget projects a \$1.6 million deficit in the operating funds. Next steps include making the Tentative Budget available for public review for at least 30 days, as required by the Illinois School Code, and incorporating any necessary adjustments prior to the Final Budget Public Hearing scheduled for September 17, 2025.



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• Resource Conservation Committee Update

Mr. Chris Wildman, Assistant Superintendent of Finance, and Ms. Amanda Pelsor, Director of Innovation, provided an update on composting efforts and paper usage across the district. Mr. Wildman shared that all seven school lunchrooms are now composting, diverting an estimated 100,000 pounds of food and liquid waste from landfills during the current school year. This initiative has resulted in an 88% reduction in waste weight and approximately an 80% decrease in the number of garbage bags sent to the landfill. Regarding paper usage, the district aimed to reduce printing by 10% during the first three months of the 2024–25 school year. The results were as follows:

- Color printing: 21.3% decrease
- Grayscale printing: 1.8% increase
- Overall printing: 0.4% increase

Ms. Pelsor discussed the general patterns of printing and highlighted the use of online resources to support reduction efforts. To help achieve the district's printing reduction goals next year, the following steps will be taken:

- Post visual reminders near copy machines
- Explore the use of recycled paper for purposes beyond copiers
- Increase communication and awareness about the sustainability committee
- Recognize and share success stories
- Celebrate staff and buildings achieving notable reductions

A presentation on solar performance is scheduled for August.

• Board Committees

The Board discussed incorporating Finance Committee discussions into a regular Board meeting on a quarterly basis. This approach aims to ensure all Board members develop a deeper understanding of school finance. The Board agreed to begin this process in August or September and outlined the following parameters:

- Establish a cohesive understanding of financial operations
- Implement this as a one-year trial
- Use the Board agenda to manage the time allocated to financial topics
- Emphasize the importance of Board member attendance

Additionally, the Board finalized membership for the Policy Committee, which will include the following members:

- Kristy Miller
- Maureen Heun
- Kristy Braden

Mrs. Miller raised the question of whether a Curriculum Committee should be considered. After discussion, the Board reached consensus that Mrs. Amy Gluck, Assistant Superintendent of Teaching and Learning, provides regular academic updates and assessment reports throughout the school year, fulfilling the need for ongoing curriculum oversight.



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

- **Forward Edge Contract Renewal**

During the 2021–2022 school year, CCSD 46 issued a Request for Proposals (RFP) for a Managed Cybersecurity provider and selected Forward Edge of Cincinnati, OH through that process. In May 2022, Managed Network Services were added to the contract with Forward Edge to further support the district's strategic goal of maintaining and upgrading its network infrastructure. Over the past year, this partnership has supported several major projects, including the installation of new network switches, wireless access points, updated infrastructure, and a virtualized server environment. Forward Edge also provides ongoing support for daily operations, offering 24/7 service from a team of experts whose knowledge complements the district's Technology Department staff. The administration recommends renewing the Managed Network Services contract with Forward Edge for a 36-month term at a total cost of \$89,390, to be paid in monthly installments. Additionally, the administration recommends renewing the Managed Cybersecurity Services contract for 36 months at a total cost of \$110,000, also paid in monthly installments. The administration is satisfied with Forward Edge's performance and service and recommends the renewals as presented.

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. The Board adjourned the general meeting at 8:29 pm and entered into closed session.

The next scheduled Board of Education general meeting on July 16, 2025, 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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GRADUATION 2025: Grayslake Middle School - Park Campus



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Save the Date!

Juneteenth

A Celebration of Freedom Walk

Thursday, June 19, 2025 | 5 - 7PM

Honor history, celebrate freedom and embrace community! Our Freedom Walk begins at the library, travels through Central Park, and ends at the Grayslake Heritage Center and Museum.

This special event will feature:

Mobile Museum of Tolerance, music, food, a timeline walk through history and more. Mark your calendar and stay tuned for more details!



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