

Press Clippings - 1/31/2025

- Chicago Tribune/The Courier News - District U-46 to add 20 minutes to the class day for elementary school students

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District U-46 elementary school students can expect to get on the school bus earlier and return home later in the 2025-26 school year as the Elgin-based district adds 20 minutes to the class day.

Elgin-based District U-46 will be extending its elementary school day by 20 minutes in the 2025-26 academic year, according to an email sent to parents this week.

Class days will start 10 minutes earlier and end 10 minutes later than they currently do when the fall session begins Monday, Aug. 11, the email said.

Under the schedule change, half of the district's 38 elementary schools will begin their day at 7:50 a.m. and end at 2:10 p.m. while the other half will start at 8:20 a.m. and end at 2:40 p.m.

The change is being made because U-46 — the state's largest school district outside of Chicago — currently has the shortest elementary school day of all districts in Illinois, the email said.

“Extending the elementary school day by 20 minutes will allow us to offer increased high-quality instruction and improve student learning — providing an additional 100 minutes of instruction per week and approximately 60 hours per school year,” the memo said.

At Monday night's School Board meeting, Deputy Superintendent of Instruction Lela Majstorovic said the adjustment is addressed in the four-year collective bargaining agreement approved by the district and the Elgin Teachers Association in February 2024.

The additional time will give students access to special classes, including art, music, physical education, science, health and digital literacy, officials said.

But it also means that students next year will have earlier bus pick-up times in the morning and later drop-off times in the afternoon. The district plans to have the transportation schedules available online via its Infinite Campus system in August, the email said.

More details and information will be shared directly by each elementary school over the coming months, the message said.

In the meantime, available information is posted online at www.u-46.org/Page/20706. To offer feedback or ask questions, go to Let's Talk, which can be accessed from the site.

- Daily Herald -

High school scores for Jan. 30

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Hersey's Jillian Wandler controls a rebound against Rolling Meadows' Maddie Johnston in a girls basketball game in Rolling Meadows on Thursday, Jan. 30, 2025.

Boys basketball

Batavia 55, St. Charles North 49
East Aurora 42, West Chicago 38
Geneva 46, Lake Park 21
Glenbard South 46, Elmwood Park 40
Glenbard East 67, Riverside-Brookfield 59
Hinsdale South 40, Leyden 39
Ridgewood 63, Fenton 60
South Elgin 68, Streamwood 65
Warren 82, Zion-Benton 53
West Aurora 63, Larkin 44
Wheaton Warrenville South 47, Glenbard North 46

Upcoming

Friday, Jan 31
Girls basketball
Addison Trail at Proviso East, 5 p.m.

Batavia at Geneva, 7:15 p.m.
Burlington Central at Dundee-Crown, 6 p.m.
Crystal Lake Central at Huntley, 6 p.m.
Downers Grove South at Morton, 7:30 p.m.
East Aurora at West Chicago, 7 p.m.
Elgin at Bartlett, 7 p.m.
Glenbard South at Elmwood Park, 7 p.m.
Glenbard West at Hinsdale Central, 7 p.m.
Hampshire at Cary-Grove, 6 p.m.
Hinsdale South at Leyden, 7:30 p.m.
Huntley at Jacobs, 7 p.m.
Lake Park at Glenbard North, 7:15 p.m.
Lake Zurich at Lake Forest, 5:30 p.m.
Larkin at West Aurora, 7 p.m.
Libertyville at Mundelein, 7 p.m.
Maine South at Glenbrook North, 7 p.m.
McHenry at Crystal Lake South, 6 p.m.
Naperville North at Naperville Central, 5:30 p.m.
Niles West at Maine West, 6:30 p.m.
Oak Park-River Forest at York, 7 p.m.
Ridgewood at Fenton, 7 p.m.
Riverside-Brookfield at Glenbard East, 7 p.m.
Schaumburg Christian at Yorkville Christian, 6 p.m.
South Elgin at Streamwood, 7 p.m.
St. Charles North at St. Charles East, 7:25 p.m.
Stevenson at Waukegan, 7 p.m.
Vernon Hills at Maine East, 6:30 p.m.
Warren at Zion-Benton, 7 p.m.
Wheaton North at Wheaton Warrenville South, 7:15 p.m.

Boys wrestling

Batavia at Yorkville, 6 p.m.
Grant at Antioch, 6:30 p.m.
Harvard, Prairie Ridge at Glenbard South, 5:30 p.m.
Lake Zurich, Libertyville, Stevenson at Warren Double Duals, 5:30 p.m.
Lincoln Way West at Downers Grove North, 5 p.m.
South Elgin at Maine South Quad, 6 p.m.

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