Parent Teacher Conferences

It is important to establish open communication with your child's teacher to help your child succeed in school. One form of communication to support the parent-teacher relationship. Parent/teacher conference days have been established in the fall and the spring to facilitate the process. On these days, students are dismissed early. Please mark these dates on your calendars.

Fall		Spring	
Tuesday, October 13, 2026	***Afternoon***	Tuesday, March 9, 2027	***Afternoon***
Wednesday, October 21, 2026	***Evening***	Tuesday, March 16, 2027	***Evening***

You will receive specific information about scheduling your conference from our staff before these dates.

When attending conferences, please keep the following in mind, and please consider what you would like to share or ask about in these areas at your conference:

- exchange information about the child;
- plan how home and school will work together for the child's benefit;
- develop an understanding of concerns and expectations;
- report student progress and show samples of student work;
- answer questions about grades (where applicable); and
- talk about the transition from grade to grade.

Open House

Open House is an opportunity to meet your child's teacher and get an overview of the classroom procedures and expectations for the year. This event is for parents only. Please use this time to learn more about your child's educational experience for the upcoming year. The open house takes place in two identical sessions, so you may visit more than one classroom if necessary.

The date for Open House for the 2023-2024 school year **is Wednesday, September 9th, 2026**

BEFORE OPEN HOUSE – IF THIS APPLIES TO YOU			
6:00-6:15	Advanced math for 4th grade	Daniel Luciano	Room 203
6:15-6:30	Advanced math for 5th grade	Daniel Luciano	Room 203
OPEN HOUSE			
6:30-7:00	All school meeting	Staff Intros Mrs. Callahan Mrs. French	GYM

		PTA	
7:05-7:30	Session 1	Your child's classroom	Specials teachers available in their spaces
7:35-8:00	Session 2	Your child's classroom	Specials teachers available in their spaces

Progress Reports and Testing

The elementary school Progress Reports are designed to provide parents and other caregivers with an understanding of their child's progress toward mastering grade-level standards. See this link to see the Progress Report rubrics.

Please get in touch with their teacher if you need further information on your child's progress.

The Infinite Campus portal issues progress reports three times a school year. The Progress Report dates are as follows:

Friday, December 4
Friday, March 19
Friday, June 11 (tentative)

Smarter Balanced Assessment (SBA)

Students in the Fairfield Public Schools participate in several standardized testing programs. The Smarter Balanced Assessment (SBA) is a state-mandated examination administered to students in grades 3-8. These assessments are administered in the spring. Students will take two sections: English Language Arts (ELA) and math. The ELA assessment addresses reading, writing, and listening standards. The math assessment addresses four areas: (a) concepts and procedures, (b) problem-solving, (c) modeling and data analysis, and (d) communication and reasoning. More information about the SBAs is available at this link.

The assessment window for 2026-27 is March 22 through May 28. The district and school will send out a testing schedule as the spring testing window approaches.

Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS)

Assessments aligned to the Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS) will be administered to all students in Connecticut at Grades 5, 8, and 11 starting in the spring. The tests at each grade