



**AGENDA**

Wisconsin Rapids Board of Education  
**Educational Services Committee**

510 Peach Street · Wisconsin Rapids, WI 54494 · (715) 424-6701

Mary Rayome, Chairperson  
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January 4, 2021

LOCATION: Board of Education, 510 Peach Street, Wisconsin Rapids, WI  
Conference Room A/B

TIME: 6:00 p.m.

- I. Call to Order
- II. Public Comment
- III. Actionable Items
  - A. 2022-2023, 2023-2024, 2024-2025 School Calendars
  - B. Open Enrollment Space Determination Limits for the 2021-2022 School Year
- IV. Updates
  - A. Pitsch Early Learning Center Update
  - B. Central Oaks Academy Charter School Status Update
- V. Consent Agenda Items
- VI. Future Agenda Items/Information Requests

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**BACKGROUND**

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Attachment A sets out the proposed calendars for the 2022-2023, 2023-2024, and 2024-2025 school years. Several stakeholder groups provided input on the calendars.

Once approved, the calendars will be shared with area school districts. Ms. Roxanne Filtz, Director of Curriculum and Instruction, will be present to answer any questions about the proposed calendars.

Each school year calendar includes the following:

- 176 student contact days
- 3 teacher in-service days
- 5 professional days
- 2 recordkeeping days
- Vacation days

The administration recommends approval of the proposed calendars for the 2022-2023, 2023-2024, 2024-2025 school years.

- B. Open Enrollment Space Determination Limits for the 2021-2022 School Year

Wisconsin Statute 118.51(5)(1) stipulates that nonresident school boards shall determine the number of regular and special education spaces available within the

school district at the January meeting of the school board. A nonresident school board may consider whether the special education or related services described in the child's IEP are available, or whether there is space available to provide the special education or related services. In determining the availability of space, criteria to be considered may include class size limits, program limits, pupil/teacher ratios, or enrollment projections established by the school board.

Wisconsin Admin. Code PI 36.06(5) provides that the school board designate the number of regular education spaces, by grade, and the number of special education spaces, by program or services.

### **Designation of Space Limitations for 2021-22 School Year**

#### **General Education:**

After consulting with the Director of Human Resources the administration has determined that there will not be any regular education open enrollment space limitations at any grade level.

#### **Special Education:**

Special education open enrollment space limitations were determined as follows (See Attachment B).

1. Current students for the 2020-21 school year were delineated by program and school level (elementary, middle, high school).
2. Current number of sections were determined. Sections often corresponded to teachers.
3. Maximum section numbers were determined based on the prescribed Statewide Caseload Number Chart from DPI.
4. Capacity was calculated by multiplying "Sections" by "Max per Section."
5. Each student was assigned a factor based on the level of services provided to them.
6. Projected totals for 2021-22 were estimated by adding the student factor for each program. Additionally an increase in enrollment for each program based on transfers into the district and current initial referrals were accounted for. The projection for possible transfer students was set at 10%. The projection for possible new placements was set at 50% of prior year's referrals for those grade levels in which there is space.
7. Spaces available were determined by subtracting "Capacity" minus the "Projected Total."

The administration recommends that the Board of Education not designate any space limitations for regular education open enrollment students for the 2021-22 school year. However, the administration recommends that the Board of Education designate space available in special education programming as indicated in the "Projected Space Available" column set out in Attachment B.

#### IV. Updates

##### A. Pitsch Early Learning Center Update

Dr. Dani Scott, Director of Pupil Services, and Ms. Jennifer Wilhorn, Assistant Director of Curriculum and Instruction, will be present to provide an update on the proposed Pitsch Early Learning Center slated to open for the 2021-2022 school year. Steps for re-opening Pitsch Elementary as an Early Learning Center continue to progress. The current plan is to locate five sections of early childhood and four sections of 4K into the Center beginning with the 2021-22 school year. Craig Broeren, Superintendent, Jen Wilhorn, Dani Scott, Phil Bickelhaupt, Director of Technology, and Kelly Schaeffer, Elementary Principal have conducted preliminary walkthroughs to determine what, if any, remodeling will need to occur. The technology department is moving ahead with anticipated infrastructure and IT needs. The district is excited at the opportunity to create this center for our youngest learners.

##### B. Central Oaks Academy Charter Status Update

Central Oaks Academy administration and staff are in discussions with DPI and the Wisconsin Resource for Charter Schools to discuss plans for the 2021-2022 school year. Discussions revolve around selection of curriculum, assessment, and the role of parents in Central Oaks Academy. At this time Central Oaks plans to move forward with the process of becoming a virtual charter school allowing students outside of the Wisconsin Rapids Public Schools to open enroll to Central Oaks Academy. Next steps include forming a Governance Board and completing DPI requests to meet compliance requirements.

#### V. Consent Agenda Items

Committee members will be asked to decide which items should be placed on the consent agenda for the regular Board of Education meeting.

#### VI. Future Agenda Items/Information Requests

Agenda items are determined by the Committee Chair after consultation with appropriate administration depending upon other agenda items, presentation information, and agenda availability.

Future agenda items/information requests include, but are not limited to:

- Purchasing Policy (February)
- Mid-Year AGR Report (February)
- Strategic Plan (February)



WISCONSIN RAPIDS PUBLIC SCHOOLS CALENDAR

2022-23

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AUGUST 2022					SEPTEMBER 2022					OCTOBER 2022					
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22	23	24	25	26	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	PD 28	
29	30	31			26	27	28	29	PD 30	31					
NOVEMBER 2022					DECEMBER 2022					JANUARY 2023					
MON	TUE	WED	THUR	FRI	MON	TUE	WED	THUR	FRI	MON	TUE	WED	THUR	FRI	
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PD/RK28	( 29	30			WB 26	WB 27	WB 28	WB 29	WB 30	30	31				
FEBRUARY 2023					MARCH 2023					APRIL 2023					
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20	21	22	23	24	20	21	22	23	24	24	25	26	27	28	
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MAY 2023					JUNE 2023					JULY 2023					
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22	23	24	25	26	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	
MD 29	30	31			26	27	28	29	30	31					



Teachers Return - Inservice Days



Student Attendance Days (Shaded)

( ) = \*\*TRI begins/ends

8/29-8/31 - Teachers Return

9/1 - First Day for Students

9/5 - (LD) Labor Day \*\* No School

9/30 & 10/28 - (PD) Prof Dev Day \*\* No School

11/24-25 - (TG) Thanksgiving \*\* No School

11/28 - (PD/RK) Prof Dev/Rkpg Day \*\* No School

12/23 - 12/30 - (WB) Winter Break \*\* No School

1/16 & 3/3 - (PD/RK) PD/Recdkpg Day \*\* No School

3/27 - 3/31 - (SB) Spring Break \*\* No School

4/7 - (PD) Prof Dev Day \*\* No School

5/29 - (MD) Memorial Day \*\* No School

6/2 - Last Day for Students (1/2 day)

6/5 - (RK) Recordkeeping

**Trimester Schedule:**

1st Trimester: 9/1/22 - 11/23/22

2nd Trimester: 11/29/22 - 3/2/23

3rd Trimester: 3/6/23 - 6/2/23

Tri 1 = 57 days

Tri 2 = 61 days

Tri 3 = 58 days

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WISCONSIN RAPIDS PUBLIC SCHOOLS CALENDAR

2023-24

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AUGUST 2023					SEPTEMBER 2023					OCTOBER 2023					
MON	TUE	WED	THUR	FRI	MON	TUE	WED	THUR	FRI	MON	TUE	WED	THUR	FRI	
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28	29	30	31		25	26	27	28	PD 29	30	31				
NOVEMBER 2023					DECEMBER 2023					JANUARY 2024					
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27	28	29	30	)	WB 25	WB 26	WB 27	WB 28	WB 29	29	30	31			
FEBRUARY 2024					MARCH 2024					APRIL 2024					
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26	27	28	29	)	SB 25	SB 26	SB 27	SB 28	SB 29	29	30				
MAY 2024					JUNE 2024					JULY 2024					
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8/21-8/28 - Teachers Work 1 day in lieu of September PD date

8/29-8/31 - Teachers Return (work 3 days)

9/4 - (LD) Labor Day \*\* No School

9/5 - First Day for Students

10/27 - (PD) Prof Dev Day \*\* No School

11/22-24 - (TG) Thanksgiving \*\* No School

12/1 - (PD/RK) Prof Dev/Rkpg Day \*\* No School

12/25 - 1/1 - (WB) Winter Break \*\* No School

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3rd Trimester: 3/4/24 - 6/4/24

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Tri 2 = 57 days  
Tri 3 = 60 days

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2024-25

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AUGUST 2024					SEPTEMBER 2024					OCTOBER 2024				
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FEBRUARY 2025					MARCH 2025					APRIL 2025				
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17	18	19	20	21	SB 24	SB 25	SB 26	SB 27	SB 28	21	22	23	24	25
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MAY 2025					JUNE 2025					JULY 2025				
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**Projected Special Education Open Enrollment Spaces for 2021-22**

<b>Program</b>	<b>Projected Sections 21-22</b>	<b>Max per Section</b>	<b>Capacity</b>	<b>Projected 21-22 Enrollment based on Factoring</b>	<b>10% Transfer</b>	<b>50% New Placements</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Projected Space Available 20-21</b>
<b>Early Childhood/4K</b>	6	10	60	30.8	3	46	80	0
<b>Virtual (K-8)</b>								
Cross Categorical Levels 1-2	1	18	18	84.2	8	NA	93	0
<b>Elementary (K-5)</b>								
Cross Categorical Levels 1-2	13	12	156	303.6	30	NA	334	0
Intellectual Disabilities Level 1/2 Program	1	11	11	31.2	3	NA	34	0
Intellectual Disabilities Level 3 Program	2	7	14	31.8	3	NA	35	0
Emotional Disabilities Level 1/2/3 Program	3	11	33	63.1	6	NA	69	0
<b>Middle (6-8)</b>								
Cross Categorical Levels 1-2	9	14	126	187.6	19	NA	206	0
Intellectual Disabilities Level 1/2 Program	2	10	20	47	5	NA	52	0
Intellectual Disabilities Level 3 Program	1	8	8	27.2	3	NA	30	0
<b>High School (LHS 9-12)</b>								
Cross Categorical Levels 1-2	9	15	180	243.1	24	NA	267	0
Intellectual Disabilities Level 1/2 Program	3	10	40	111.5	11	NA	123	0
Intellectual Disabilities Level 3 Program	1	8	8	29.7	3	NA	33	0
Emotional Disabilities Level 3 Program	1	10	10	17.1	2	NA	19	0
<b>High School (RCHS 9-12)</b>								
Cross Categorical Levels 1-2	2	15	30	24	2	NA	26	Unlimited*
<b>Speech &amp; Language</b>								
Elementary	8.5	35	280	304	30	NA	334	0
Middle School	1	40	39.2	31.8	3	NA	35	4
High School	0.5	40	8	19.2	2	NA	21	0

\*RCHS staff would like to designate unlimited spaces due to the individualized nature of programming at that building. Special education students would be accepted as long as applications are available for general education students