

Wisconsin Rapids Board of Education

Educational Services Committee

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

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December 6, 2021

LOCATION: East Junior High Cafeteria

311 Lincoln Street, Wisconsin Rapids, WI

TIME: 6:00 p.m.

I. Call to Order

II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. Public Comment

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- IV. Actionable Items
- V. Updates
 - A. Wisconsin State Assessment System ACT Aspire and ACT Test Results
 - B. Innovation Mini Grant Recipients
 - C. Dyslexia Handbook
- VI. Consent Agenda Items
- VII. Future Agenda Items/Information Requests

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V. Updates

A. Wisconsin State Assessment System (WSAS) ACT Aspire and ACT Test Results

The 2020-2021 WSAS results for the ACT Aspire and ACT exams will be shared with the committee. Ronald Rasmussen, Principal of Lincoln High School (LHS), will provide an analysis of the assessment results. The results are presented as Attachment A.

B. Innovation Mini Grant Recipients

Once again, three submissions for the WRPS Innovation Mini Grant were selected. Mr. Craig Broeren, Superintendent, will be present to share who was awarded the grants and the criteria that each submission met. Winning entries are presented as Attachment B.

C. Dyslexia Handbook

Jennifer Wilhorn, Assistant Director of Instruction, will be present to discuss the state's Dyslexia Handbook. Reading Interventionists and school psychologists have been studying the handbook to understand its impact on the districts intervention

work as well as how Wisconsin Rapids Public Schools (WRPS) will make the handbook available to the general public.

VI. 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.

VII. 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:

- AGR Mid-Year Report (February)
- District Strategic Plan (February)

ACT - Grade 11

ACT Aspire - Grades 9 & 10

2020-21 Grade 11 (FAY) ACT Benchmarks

	State Average	WRPS Average
	Composite	Composite
	Score	Score
English	17.9	18.4
Reading	19.4	19.6
Math	19.1	18.9
Science	19.6	19.8
Composit e	19.1	19.8

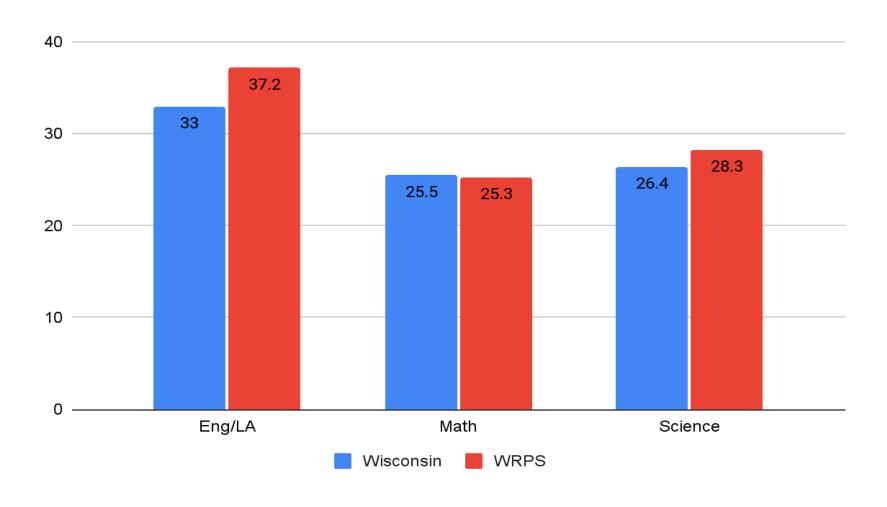
ACT – Statewide Grade 11 (FAY) % College Ready

	16-17 LHS	17-18 LHS	18-19 LHS	19-20 LHS	20-21 LHS	2020-21 WI
English	62	60	60	56	54	48
Reading	39	38	46	37	37	36
Math	31	36	27	32	29	29
Science	33	38	36	34	32	30
STEM	13	14	13	16	10	13
ELA	37.3	34.7	38.2	39	43	39

ACT Writing All Students Who Took the Optional Writing Average ACT Writing Scores

	School	State
All Students	6.4	6.3
Black/African American	4.8	5.5
American Indian/Alaska Native	2.0	5.5
White	6.5	6.5
Hispanic/Latino	6.2	5.9
Asian	6.9	6.8
Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander	7.0	5.9
Two or More Races	5.8	6.3
Prefer Not/No Response	6.3	5.7

ACT – Statewide, 2020-21 % Proficient and Advanced



ACT Statewide ELA, 2020-21 % Proficient & Advanced Grade 11

Male	Female
31.4	43.3

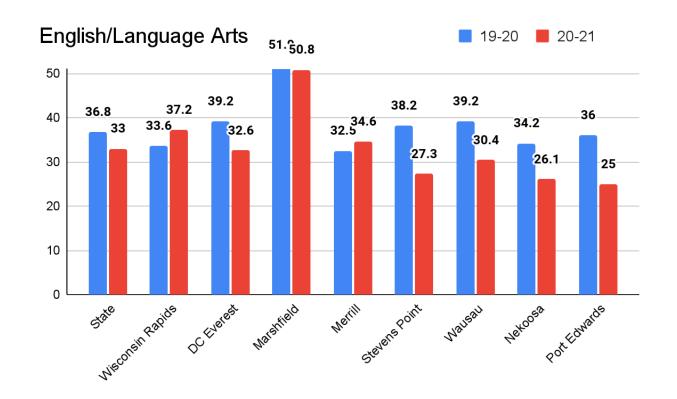
% Not Econ Disadvant	% Econ Disadvant
48.3	23.5

% English	% Not
Proficient	English Pro
37.2	0

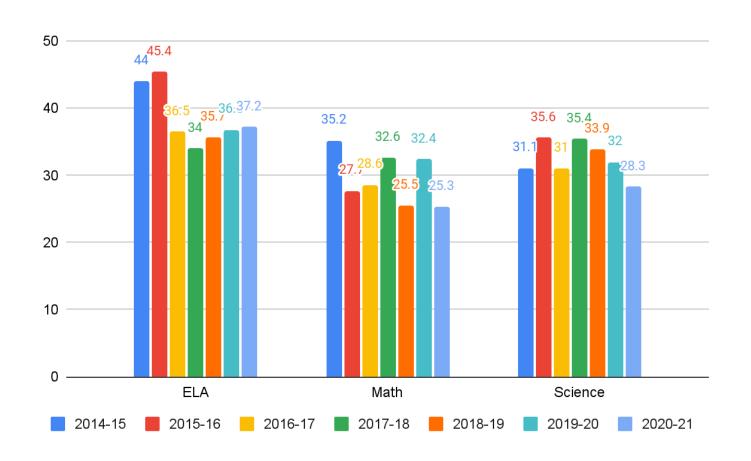
% SWOD	% SWD
43.1	0

Ethnicity	Proficient & Advanced
American Indian	
Asian	47. I
Black	
Hispanic	76.5
White	40.6
2+	

ACT - Statewide 2019-20 & 2020-21 Grade 11 (FAY) % Proficient and Advanced DPI Benchmarks



ACT Statewide 2014-15 thru 2020-21 Grade 11 (FAY) % Proficient and Advanced



ACT Statewide Math, 2020-21 % Proficient & Advanced Grade 11

Male	Female
25.6	25

% Not Econ Disadvant	% Econ Disadvant
35.1	13.3

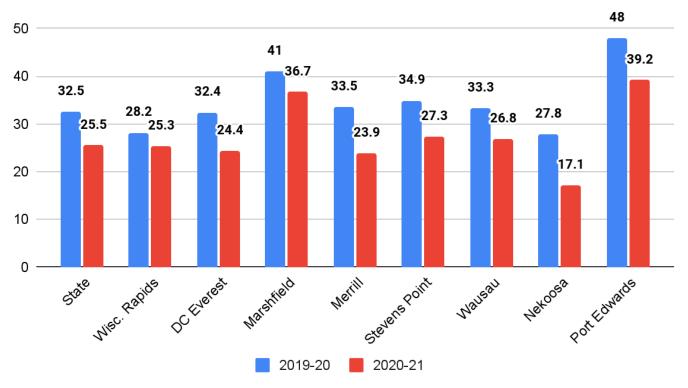
% English	% Not
Proficient	English Pro
25.3	0

% SWOD	% SWD
29.4	0

Ethnicity	Proficient & Advanced
American Indian	
Asian	29.4
Black	
Hispanic	17.6
White	27.7
2+	

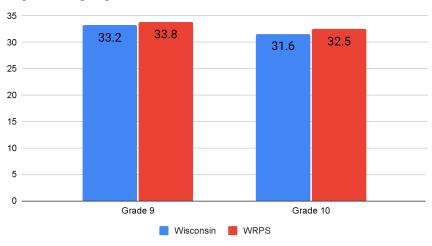
ACT - Statewide 2019-20 & 2020-21 Grade 11 (FAY) % Proficient and Advanced

Mathematics

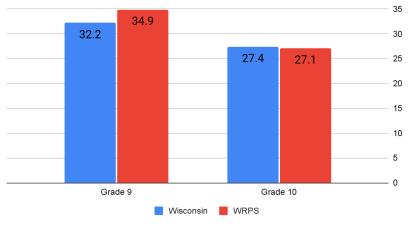


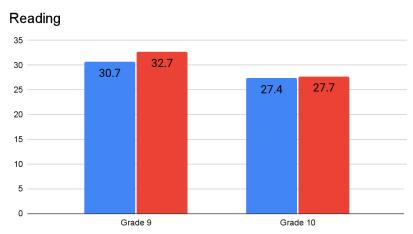
ACT Aspire 2021 Percent Ready and Exceeding Benchmarks (FAY)

English/Language Arts

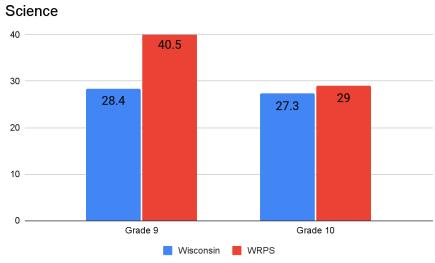


Mathematics



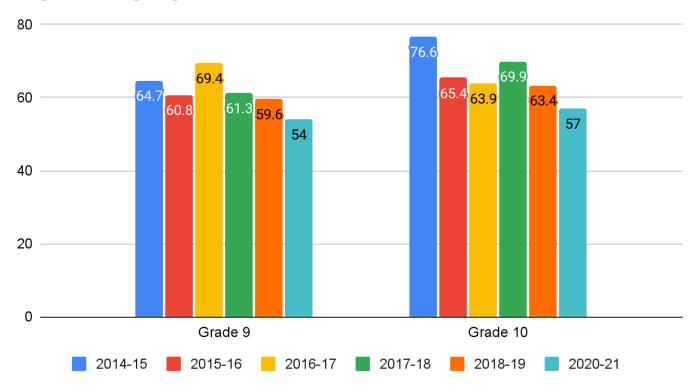


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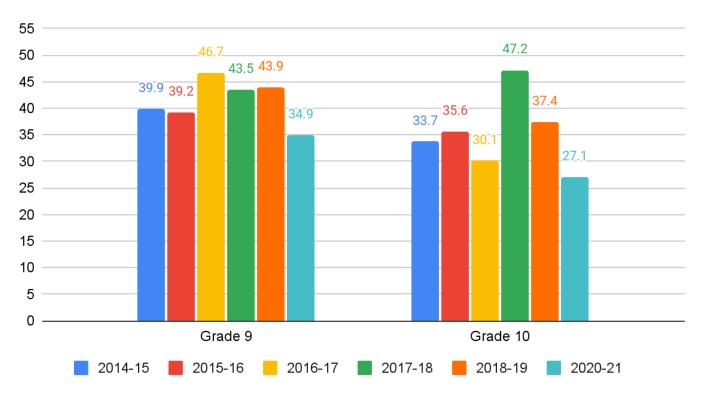


ACT Aspire (Spring) Percent Ready and Exceeding ACT Benchmarks (FAY) 2014-15 - 2020-21

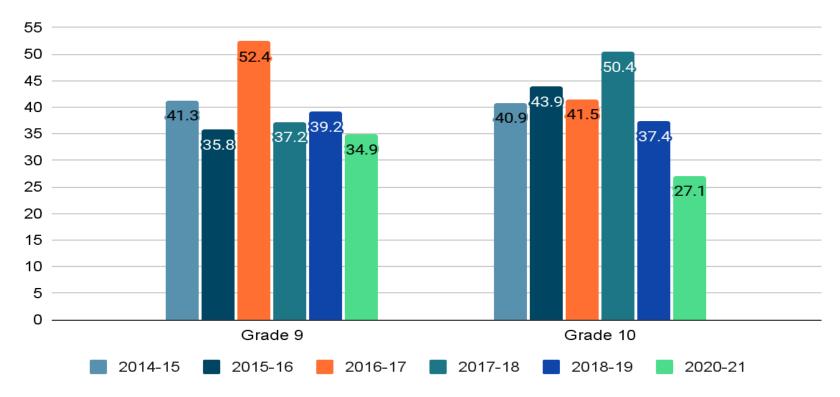
English/Language Arts



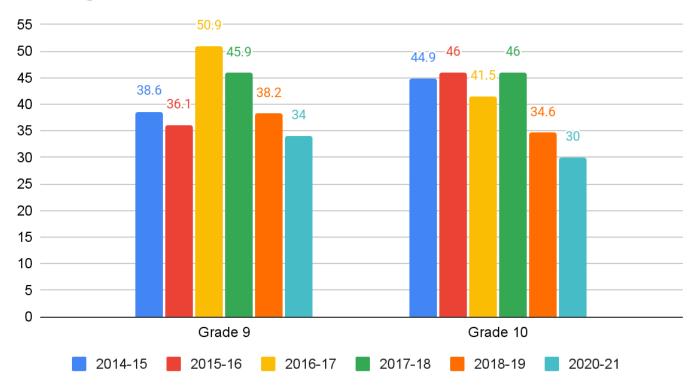
Mathematics



Science



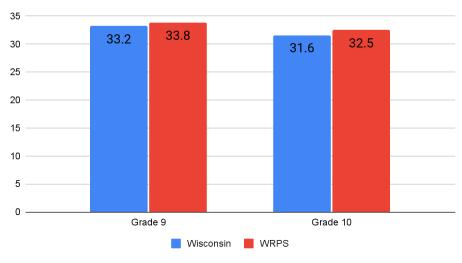
Reading

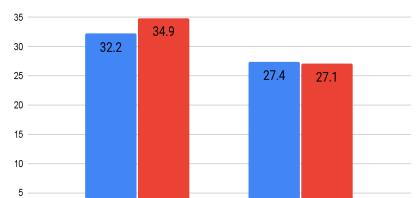


ACT Aspire 2020-21 DPI Performance Levels % Proficient and Advanced

Mathematics

English/Language Arts





Wisconsin WRPS

Grade 10

Grade 9

2021-2022 Innovation Mini-Grant Award Recipients

Play to Learn Economics and Government submitted by Paula Reaves, LHS

The goal of this project is to increase the number of hands-on activities in Principles of Economics, AP Microeconomics, AP Macroeconomics, American Government, and AP American Government. Through the use of games and good-natured competition, students will gain a deeper understanding of the concepts being taught and personalize their learning. Additional social interactions through these exercises will be beneficial after months of experiencing the fatigue of online learning.

Math for the Floors! *submitted by Lisa Laatsch-Sullivan, Washington Elementary*

This unique project complements the new Bridges math curriculum and provides an opportunity for students to strengthen their number sense and become more fluent in their math facts through movement-based learning. The use of Math and Movement Number Mats will touch on components of SEL by providing learners with the opportunity to be creative, work together, and take turns.

Going Gaga for Middle School Play submitted by Stefanie Tryba, WR Area Middle School

Students at WRAMS will be encouraged to build a culture of community and engage in new ways to play and learn through the construction of two gaga ball pits. Eighth graders will take pride in designing ordering, building, and preparing two gaga ball pits for the WRAMS campus. All students at WRAMS and those attending the Summer School program will have an outdoor place to be engaged in games and physical activities that encourage positive relationships and create confidence. Teachers will be able to incorporate gameplay and creativity into their lessons by utilizing the pits to help students learn/enhance valuable social skills that contribute to success in school. The project is intended to build on the school's motto: "Take care of yourself. Take care of each other. Take care of this place."