

NOTICE OF EDUCATIONAL OPTIONS FOR STUDENTS RESIDING IN THE WISCONSIN RAPIDS PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT



The Wisconsin Rapids Public School District (WRPS) offers a variety of educational options to students who reside within District attendance boundaries. The District offers educational programming beginning as early as 4-year old Kindergarten up through grade 12. Early childhood programming is also available for students needing early intervention. Following is a listing of specific programming available at WRPS:

- Early childhood special education (for students at least three years of age, but not yet school-age)
- Special education for students with disabilities
- English Language Learner programming
- Collaborative community 4K program
- Gifted and Talented education
- Career and Technical Education (CTE) programs
- Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) education
- Building construction trades and family/consumer education programming
- Health and physical education
- World language, music/theater, and art education studies
- Health occupational programs
- Individualized program and curriculum modifications
- Academic and career preparation including youth apprenticeships and work experience opportunities
- Social, emotional, and counseling and student health services
- Alternative education program for at-risk students
- Summer school learning opportunities
- Charter school
- Virtual education programming
- Intra-District transfer program (*boundary exception* program allows for students to attend a District school outside of their normal attendance boundary area)
- Advanced Placement, transcribed credit, Project Lead the Way, and concurrent enrollment courses (the LHS [Program of Studies](#) provides more details)
- [Early College Credit Program](#) (ECCP) which allows Wisconsin public high school students in grades 9-12 to take courses during the fall, spring, or summer semesters to earn college credit at an institution of higher education. Information about ECCP may be obtained from a student's school counselor. Applications and admissions requirements can be obtained from individual institutions of higher education.
- [Start College Now](#) allows high school students in grades 9-12 the opportunity to take college courses at Wisconsin Technical Colleges.
- [Part-Time Public School Open Enrollment](#) allows any student enrolled full-time in the high school grades in the District to attend public high school in a nonresident school district for the purpose of taking a course offered by the nonresident school district. A pupil may attend no more than two courses at any time in nonresident school districts.

Schools located within WRPS include the following. Note that more details about individual School Report cards issued by the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction (DPI) can be found under the "About" tab for each school:

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| ➤ Grant Elem School (Meets Expectations) | ➤ Woodside Elem School (Exceeds Expectations) |
| ➤ Grove Elem School (Exceeds Expectations) | ➤ Wisc. Rapids Area Middle School (Meets Expectations) |
| ➤ Howe Elem School (Exceeds Expectations) | ➤ Lincoln High School (Exceeds Expectations) |
| ➤ Mead Elem Charter School (Exceeds Expectations) | ➤ River Cities High School (<i>alt. school – Needs Improvement</i>) |
| ➤ THINK Academy (Exceeds Expectations) | ➤ Central Oaks Academy Charter School (Meets Expectations) |
| ➤ Washington Elem School (Exceeds Expectations) | ➤ Pitsch Early Lrng Center (<i>no School Report Card is generated</i>) |

The Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction (DPI) issues school district accountability reports and individual School Report Cards in accordance with Wisconsin Statutes. You can access these reports through the following

link: <https://dpi.wi.gov/accountability/report-cards> or by going to the individual school website. You will be able to select the report for the entire WRPS district, or for any individual school within the District. Report card scores are based upon 2023-24 data. The overall WRPS District Report Card score for 2023-24 is *Meets Expectations*.

Other [educational options](#) for students include:

- [Youth Apprenticeship](#) programming – learn more by reviewing the LHS [Program of Studies](#)
- full-time [open enrollment](#) involving physical attendance in a public school of a nonresident district or attendance through a [virtual charter school](#) that is associated with a nonresident school district;
- participation in the state's "[Special Needs Scholarship Program](#)" by students with a disability who meet the program's specific eligibility requirements;
- enrollment in a [private school](#) of the family's choosing (at the family's own cost or through the [Private Choice Program](#) as applicable);
- enrollment in a [home-based](#) private educational program as provided for under state law.

Additional educational options for students residing in the WRPS district but who are enrolled in and attending a private school or home-based educational program include:

- participation in WRPS summer school programming;
- home-based education program students may apply for approval to take up to two courses per semester at WRPS subject to available space, and/or participate in District interscholastic athletics and other co-curricular activities pursuant to section 118.53 and 118.133 of Wisconsin state statutes;
- private school students in grades 9-12 may apply for approval to take up to two courses per semester at WRPS pursuant to Wisconsin state statutes section 118.145(4) and subject to available space;

Information concerning various program options is available at www.wrps.org and <http://dpi.wi.gov>.