

NOTICE OF EDUCATIONAL OPTIONS FOR CHILDREN WHO RESIDE IN THE SCHOOL DISTRICT

The Ashwaubenon School District offers students a variety of educational options. It is our mission and vision to:

- partner with our community, to develop students who are high-achieving lifelong learners and contributing world citizens
- achieve world-class excellence in education so each child can reach his or her full potential

The District's primary educational pathway and instructional program for students involves a progression from 4-year-old kindergarten through 12th grade, leading to a high school diploma.

The District's schools are listed below, with grades served listed behind each school:

- Elementary Schools: Cormier School and Early Learning Center (4K-5K)
 Pioneer Elementary School (5K-5)
 Valley View Elementary School (5K-5)
- Middle School: Parkview Middle School (6-8)
- High School: Ashwaubenon High School (9-12)

Some of the specific educational opportunities offered to eligible students who are enrolled in and attending the District's schools include the following:

- Special education for students with disabilities
- English language learner services for students learning English
- Early Childhood Special Education (for students who are at least 3 years old but not yet school-age)
- APPL (Ashwaubenon Preschool & Parent Learning) program
- Gifted and talented education opportunities
- College and Career Readiness (CCR) program
- Career and Technical Education (CTE) programs
- Individualized program and curriculum modifications
- Alternative education program
- At-risk education for students identified as being at-risk of not graduating from high school
- Intervention and enrichment summer school programming
- Fallen Timbers Environmental Classroom
- Science Technology Engineering and Math (STEM) Education
- Interscholastic athletics and other co-curricular activities
- Post-secondary course options (Early College Credit and Start College Now)
- Articulated classes offering dual credit with area Universities and Colleges
- Youth Apprenticeship Program

Educational options for students who are enrolled in the ASD that involve part-time attendance at an educational institution other than a school of the ASD include the following:

- The Part-Time Open Enrollment Program, which
 - o provides opportunities to apply for approval to take up to 2 courses at a time at another educational institution;
 - o is subject to state and local eligibility requirements, including the limitation that the courses must satisfy a high school graduation requirement; and
 - o includes certain District-approved dual credit opportunities that the District offers in conjunction with a partner institution of higher education.
- The Early College Credit Program is available any high school student who satisfies the
 eligibility requirements to participate in the Early College Credit Program Students
 are provided opportunities to apply for approval to take courses at certain institutions
 of higher education; and receive both high school and post-secondary credit for
 successfully completed courses.
- The Start College Now program provides qualified high school juniors and seniors the opportunity to take post-secondary courses at NWTC during the regular academic year. The students receive both high school and post-secondary credit for successfully completed courses.
- Youth Apprenticeships provide a unique opportunity for students to start preparing for a career while still in high school. Two-year youth apprenticeship programs combine academic education, occupational instruction, and work-based learning from an employer.

Additional educational options for children who reside in the District that involve full-time enrollment/attendance at a school, program, or other educational institution that is not a school or instrumentality of the ASD include the following:

- High school students meeting certain age and other eligibility requirements may be permitted to attend a technical college or certain other programs for the purpose of completing a program leading to the student's high school graduation or to a high school equivalency diploma.
- Full-time Open Enrollment involving physical attendance in a public school of a nonresident school district that is associated with a nonresident school district.
- A child with a disability who meets the Special Needs Scholarship Program's specific eligibility requirements may apply to attend an eligible, participating private school under a scholarship as established under section 115.7915 of the state statutes. This is a state-administered program. A parent or guardian who is interested in the Special Needs Scholarship Program should independently verify the participating private schools and the specific terms, eligibility criteria, and application procedures of the scholarship program with the DPI. Additional information about the program is available on the website of the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction: http://dpi.wi.gov/.

- Enrollment in a private school of the family's choosing (at the family's own cost, as applicable). Private schools located within the ASD boundaries are:
 - St. Joseph School
 - Royal Montessori Academy
- Enrollment in a home-based private educational program as provided under state law.

Educational options for children who reside in the ASD but who are enrolled in and attending a private school or home-based private educational program include the following:

- Intervention or enrichment summer school classes/programs offered in the District.
- Private school students in the high school grades have the opportunity to apply for approval to take up two courses per semester in a District school, pursuant to section 118.145(4) of the state statutes.
- Students who are enrolled in a home-based private educational program have the opportunity to:
 - Apply for approval to take up two courses per semester in public schools as provided under section 118.53.
 - Participate in District interscholastic athletics and other District co-curricular activities as provided under section 118.133.

The full version of the District's most recent school and school district accountability report, as issued by the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction under section 115.385 of the state statutes, can be accessed via the following page on the District's website (if the report has been issued by DPI):

- https://apps2.dpi.wi.gov/reportcards/
- https://www.ashwaubenon.k12.wi.us/district/district-performance.cfm

For more information about any of the educational options listed in this notice, please contact the District's main administrative office at <u>920-492-2900</u> or the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction.