

2023-24

ANNUAL REPORT

Every Student Every Day



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OUR MISSION: EVERY STUDENT EVERY DAY

The West York Area School District is a public school entity located in south-central Pennsylvania serving approximately 3,200 students in kindergarten through 12th grade who live in the Borough of West York and the Township of West Manchester.

In West York, our purpose is twofold: 1) create opportunities for our students to thrive, and 2) develop world-class citizens. Ultimately, our aim is to equip West York graduates for more and better opportunities to thrive in an increasingly complex and competitive society while also empowering graduates to lead with integrity, empathy, and respect for others.

Our staff of highly-qualified teachers and dedicated support staff fulfill our mission of *Every Student Every Day!*

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STUDENT ENROLLMENT 2023-24

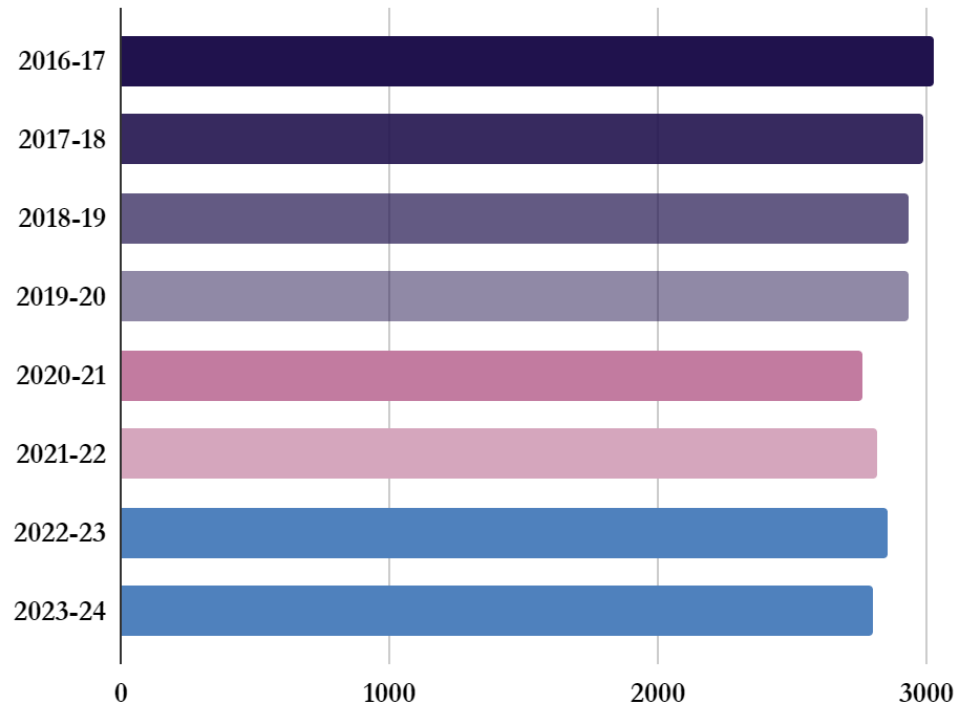
We must have a clear picture of who we are as a school district to develop and deliver an instructional program that meets the needs of our students and fosters student growth. West York Area School District has made it our mission to provide *Every Student Every Day* with the very best education through meaningful opportunities.

2023-24 STUDENT POPULATION BY SCHOOL*

- Wallace Elementary
(Grades K-1) 414
- Lincolnway Elementary
(Grades 2-3) 390
- Trimmer Elementary
(Grades 4-5) 419
- West York Area Middle School
(Grades 6-8) 640
- West York Area High School
(Grades 9-12) 831

*As of October 1st

Six Year Enrollment History



STUDENT ENROLLMENT 2023-24

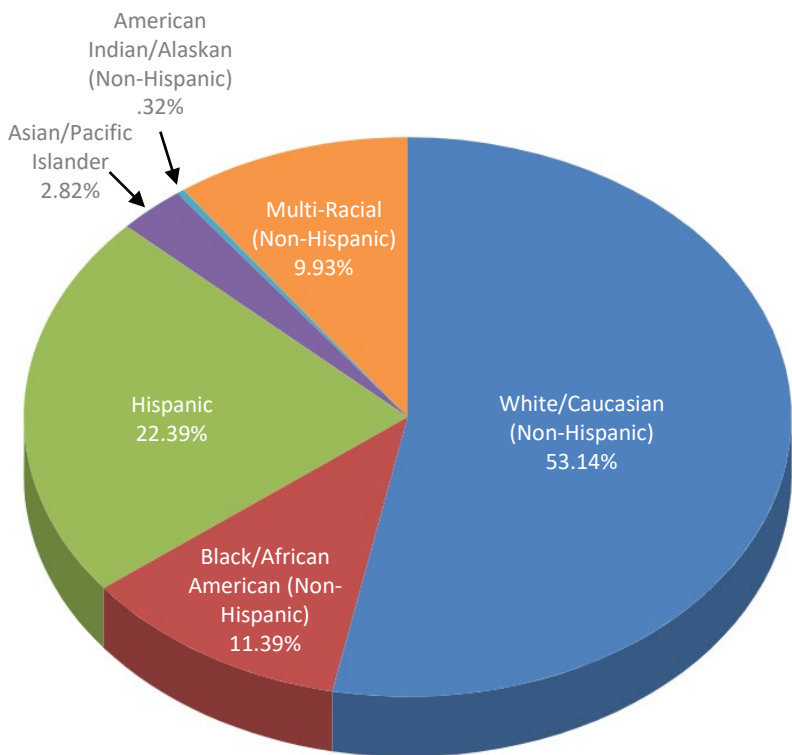
- 496 HS students were enrolled in Honors Courses
- 87 HS students were enrolled in AP Courses
- 36 HS students were enrolled in College in HS Courses
- 62 HS students were engaged in Dual Enrollment with Penn State York, HACC, York College of PA, and Mansfield University
- 54% of MS students were on Honor Roll for the full school year
- 37% of HS students were on Honor Roll for the full school year
- 11 Seniors were honorees as Superintendent's Summa Cum Laude scholars (GPA 98% for HS career)
- 32 Students experienced homelessness
- 578 Students received special education support services
- 95 Students received gifted support services
- 24 Different languages were represented across our student population as the primary language spoken in the home



Every Student Every Day

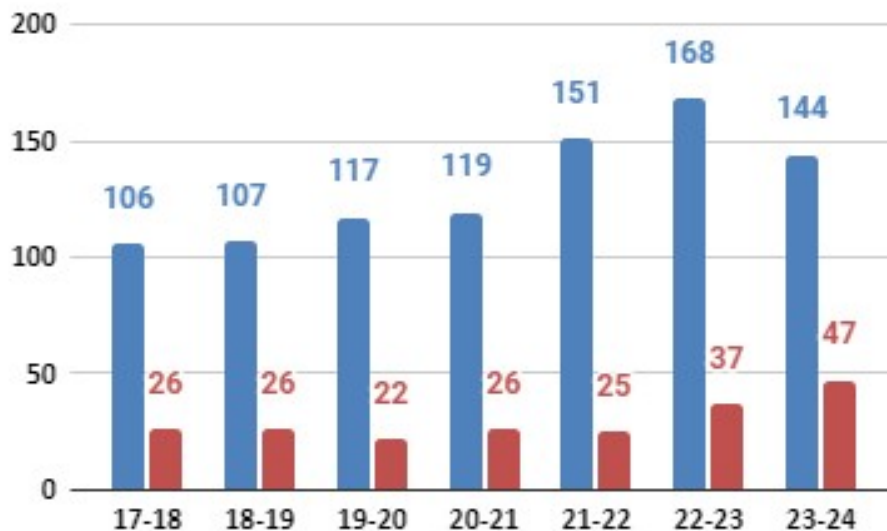
STUDENT ENROLLMENT 2023-24

Demographics



English Language Learners Enrollment

(Number of Students **Active**/**Monitored***)



*Monitored students have attained English proficiency but are actively monitored before full dismissal from the ESL program by District personnel by tracking student progress in all core academic classes and soliciting feedback from core academic teachers periodically throughout the school year.

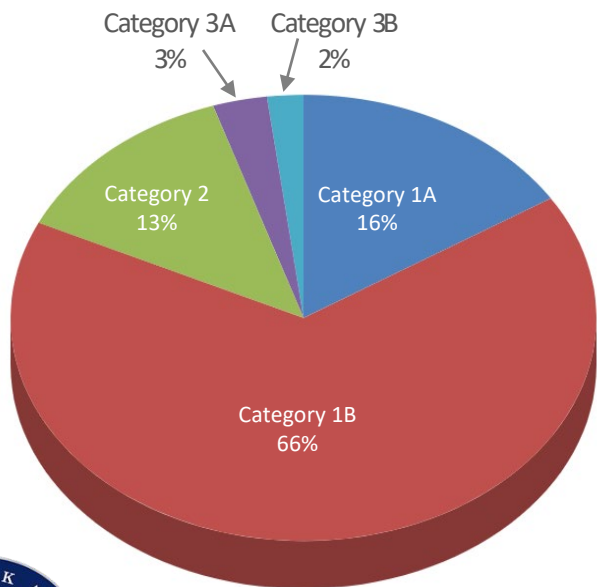


SPECIAL EDUCATION 2023-24

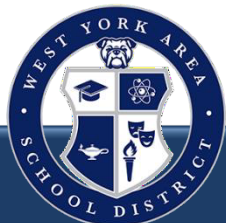
Special Education Costs Per Student

Actual dollar amount spent on each of the special education students/services distributed in cost ranges:

Category 1A	\$1.00 - \$ 5,160.99
Category 1B	\$ 5,161.00 - \$28,182.23
Category 2	\$28,182.24 - \$56,364.46
Category 3A	\$56,364.47 - \$84,546.74
Category 3B	\$84,564.75 and over

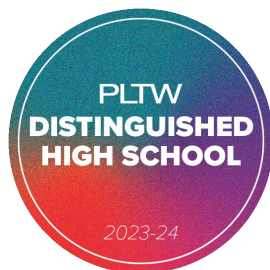


Special Education Enrollment by Disability	Percentage (Dec. 1, 2023 Data)
Autism	18%
Emotional Disturbance	6%
Intellectual Disability	5%
Other Health Impairment	11%
Special Learning Disability	42%
Speech & Language Impairment	15%



DISTRICT ACHIEVEMENTS 2023-24

- Scholarships – 35 of our 223 graduates received scholarships, including \$59,200 in scholarships from **The Foundation for West York Area School District**.
- 65.7% of graduating seniors went on to 2- or 4-year colleges.
- Two students entered the military upon graduation.
- Eleven seniors were honored as Superintendent’s Summa Cum Laude scholars having maintained a GPA of 98 or higher for their high school career.
- WYAMS’s **Future City** team won the **Best City Award** with their submission of a completely electric city 100 years in the future.
- WYAHS’s **Model UN** team consisted of 15 students and four received the **Outstanding Delegate Award**.
- WYAMS 8th grade Seminar students participated in the annual **What’s So Cool About Manufacturing** video contest and were recognized with the Outstanding Educational Value video award.
- Both the High School and the Middle School were recognized as **Project Lead The Way (PLTW) Distinguished Schools!** PLTW creates an engaging, hands-on classroom environment and empowers students to develop in-demand knowledge and skills they need to thrive.
- WYASD continues to be nationally recognized as one of the **Best Communities for Music Education for 2023-2024**. We also had students who performed in: York County Honors Band (six students), PMEA District Band (four students), PMEA Regional Band (two students), PMEA District Orchestra (two students), District Chorus (two students), and Regional Chorus (one student).



ATTENDANCE 2023-24

When students attend school consistently, they are more likely to succeed academically. A missed school day is a lost opportunity for students to learn! The average daily attendance for students in the West York Area School District remains above 90%.

West York Average Daily Attendance

2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24
96%	96%	94%	91%	94%	93%



GRADUATION 2023-24

Graduation rates are key in assessing the performance of the District. West York has consistently met graduation rate expectations.

West York Graduation Rate

2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24
89%	89%	92%	86%	92%	94%



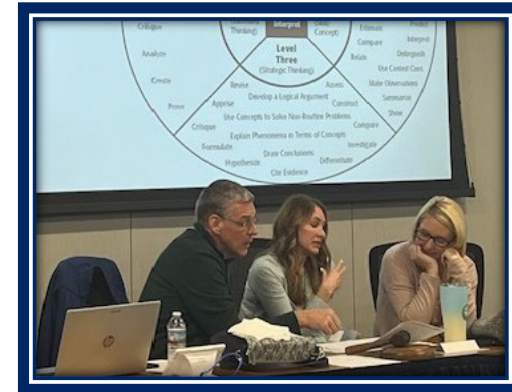
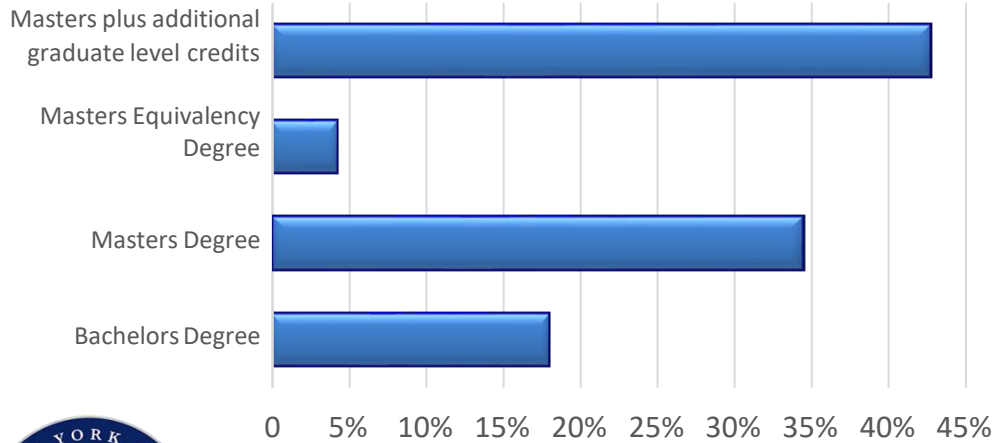
FACULTY & STAFF 2023-24

In the 2023-24 School Year:

- The WYASD employed 240 professional employees (teachers, guidance counselors, and school nurses).
- Years of service for professional employees with 10 or more years:
 - 116 Employees celebrated 10 years or more of service
 - 21 Employees celebrated 25 years or more of service
 - 11 Employees celebrated 30 years or more of service



Percentage of Teaching Staff Within Each Degree Category



FISCAL FACTS

The WYASD is committed to supporting systemic measures that ensure the ethical, efficient, and strategic use of fiscal, operational, human, and capital resources to ensure long-term financial health and stability. A detailed account can be found here: [23-24 School Year](#) and [24-25 School Year](#).

Revenue Sources

- Local Sources – Approx. 66% - The largest portion of the District’s operating revenues comes from the community
- State Sources – Approx. 28% - Funds are provided by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for education and other related expenses
- Federal/Other Sources – Approx. 5% - Includes federal and miscellaneous revenue
- Fund Balance Utilization – Approx. 1% - Includes funds needed to offset budget expenditures

2023-2024 Audited Budget: \$70,811,782

64.7%	Salaries/Benefits
9.3%	Special Education
0%	Designated Funds
6.7%	Debt Service
7.9%	Pupil Services
4.4%	Transportation
2.2%	Maintenance
1.4%	Technology
3.6%	Other

Millage – 24.2238

2024-2025 Approved Budget: \$74,954,920

63.3%	Salaries/Benefits
9.6%	Special Education
0%	Designated Funds
6.8%	Debt Service
7.9%	Pupil Services
4.2%	Transportation
2.6%	Maintenance
.5%	Technology
5.1%	Other

Millage – 25.0716



STUDENT NUTRITION 2023-24

Proper nutrition plays a vital role in student growth and development. The West York Area School District is dedicated to providing all students with access to healthy meals at school.

	2019-2020	2020-2021	2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024
Total Breakfasts Served:	83,953	114,308	168,778	162,259	203,772
Total Lunches Served:	241,871	176,188	316,096	281,930	287,483
Total Summer Lunches Served:	52,256	3,450	1,209	2,237	1,743
Total Summer Breakfasts Served:	N/A	3,450	N/A	N/A	N/A



2023-24 Free/Reduced Meals Served

In promoting student health, the District provides free or reduced-price meals for students who qualify in compliance with Federal and State regulations.

- 1,582 Students qualified for free/reduced meals representing 59% of our student population, which is a 5% increase from the 2022-2023 school year



STUDENT WELLNESS/SERVICES 2023-24

- The **West York Flu Shot Clinic** administered over 425 flu shots in the fall of 2024.
- **Take home lunches** were provided to students on early dismissals if requested.
- **The Bulldog Pantry**, a non-perishable food center located in the High School, is open to all District families, kindergarten through 12th grade and served approximately 32 families at each monthly distribution.
- **School Counselors** offered group and individual counseling throughout the school year.
- **Second Step** - A leading research-based social-emotional learning curriculum for students in kindergarten through grade 5 and includes bullying prevention lessons.
- **Leader in Me** – Our High School joined our Middle School in participating in this evidence-based, comprehensive model that builds leadership and life skills in students, creates a high-trust school culture, and lays the foundation for sustained academic achievement.
- **Bev's Blessings Food Distribution** - Approximately 170 students on our free/reduced lunch list received a backpack of food each Friday from October through mid-May for the children to have additional food for the weekends, equating to approximately 3,400 backpacks of food having been sent home.
- **Safe2Say Something** - A youth violence prevention program run by the Pennsylvania Office of Attorney General that teaches youth and adults how to recognize warning signs and signals, especially within social media, from individuals who may be a threat to themselves or others and to “say something” BEFORE it is too late.
- **Children's Home of York – Strengthening Families Program** – Five families participated (6 adults and 5 students – grades 4-8) in this 7-week program where parents and children work separately for the first hour and come together for the second hour on topics that strengthen families through improved communication, boundaries, and other family dynamics topics.
- **Student Assistance Program (SAP)** at the elementary and secondary school buildings worked with 29 students.



STUDENT WELLNESS/SERVICES 2023-24

- **K-Pets** at Lincolnway and Wallace – Our kindergarten through 3rd grade students enjoyed several visits with trained therapy dogs to promote well-being by experiencing the power of human-animal interactions.
- **MHIDD** (Mental Health/Intellectual & Developmental Disabilities) – 19 K-12 Referrals – Serves individuals in our community with mental illness, intellectual disabilities and developmental delays in order to enhance their quality of life and provide an opportunity to reach their fullest potential.
- **PCBH** (PA Comprehensive Behavioral Health) – 59 New Referrals K-12 – PCBH provides outpatient therapy conducted in the school building.
- **NAMI** (National Alliance on Mental Illness) **PAUSE** – 16 Middle School participants and three High School participants - The core of the program is peer support groups for middle and high school students, held in schools during the weekly bell schedule. This peer-led program has created much-needed safe space for students to come together, support each other, and talk about concerns/issues pertaining to their mental health.
- **New This Year! Highmark’s The Caring Place – Grief/Bereavement** - The program was developed to address non-complicated grief of children and teens in elementary, middle and high schools within the school setting. Across Lincolnway, Trimmer and the Middle School, we had 20 students participate.
- **New This Year! Children’s Aid Society – Incredible Years Series: DINA Classroom** – 18 Wallace students participated in this research-based social emotional school readiness program, focus on problem solving and conflict resolution.
- **New This Year! Children’s Aid Society – Incredible Years Series – DINA Small Group** – Six Lincolnway students participated in this evidence-based program where the goal is to promote positive social and emotional behaviors and increase academic capacity.
- **TrueNorth Wellness – Girls’ Circle** – 17 Middle school participants and 21 Trimmer participants – A structured support group for girls which integrates relational theory, resiliency practices, and skills training designed to increase positive connection, strengths, and competence in girls.
- **Family/Child Resources** (Wallace Students/Families)
 - **Dino Dinosaur School** – 23 Participants – A research-based social emotional school readiness program; family involvement includes activities to complete at home and weekly communication.
 - **Kids Groups** – 61 Participants – Small groups that focus on self-control, self-regulating skills, and coping skills.
- **Valley Youth House – Skills for Life** – 18 High school participants and 17 middle school participants – Supports students in need of life skills and connections to community resources to prevent CYF involvement, utilizing trauma-informed approaches to engage youth.

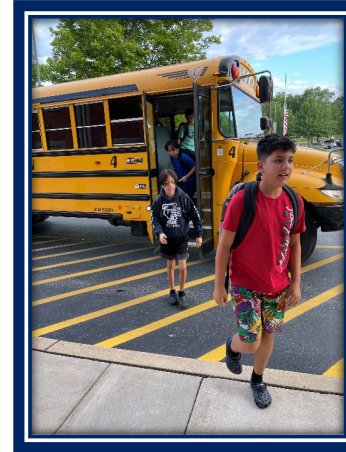


TRANSPORTATION 2023-24

Transportation for District students is provided in accordance with the Commonwealth of PA school transportation laws and West York Area School District Board Policy.

The WYASD Transportation Department contributes to student achievement by providing our students with a safe and reliable means of getting to and from school on a daily basis.

- Number of WYASD Students Provided Bus Transportation: 2,300
- Number of Buses: 27
- Number of Vans: 22
- Daily Miles Traveled by Buses and Vans: 2,652
- Total Number of Miles Buses and Vans Traveled 482,824



BUILDINGS and GROUNDS 2023-24

The District's Buildings and Grounds team maintains 83 acres of property and 668,819 square feet of building space across our District properties.



ATHLETICS 2023-24

Team sports offer more than just physical health and fitness benefits. Students participating in scholastic athletics develop teamwork, cooperation, and build strong friendships with teammates and coaches. They also gain important leadership skills. We take great pride in our athletic teams and individual players across all levels.



338 student-athletes participated in fall athletics programs

- 250 student-athletes participated in ten High School sponsored programs
- 88 student-athletes participated in five Middle School sponsored programs

155 student-athletes participated in winter athletics programs

- 84 student-athletes participated in six High School sponsored programs
- 71 student-athletes participated in four Middle School sponsored programs

319 student-athletes participated in spring athletics programs

- 207 student-athletes participated in nine High School sponsored programs
- 108 student-athletes participated in five Middle School sponsored programs



YAIAA DIVISION CHAMPIONS

Boys Basketball
Girls Track & Field

YAIAA LEAGUE QUALIFIERS

Boys Basketball
Girls Basketball
Girls Volleyball

TEAM DISTRICT III QUALIFIERS

Baseball
Boys Basketball
Girls Basketball
Boys Cross Country
Girls Cross Country
Girls Volleyball

TEAM PIAA STATE QUALIFIERS

Girls Basketball



ATHLETICS 2023-24

INDIVIDUAL DISTRICT III QUALIFIERS

Cross Country

Steven Miller

Golf

Grady Hoffman

Swimming

Boys - 200 Medley Relay, 200 Free Relay, 400 Free Relay

Girls - 200 Medley Relay, 200 Free Relay

Lizzy Agravante - 100 Back

Aidan Godfrey - 50 Free

Kaeden McKee - 200 Free, 100 Back

Kaegan McKee - 100 Fly

Briana Miller - 200 Free, 100 Fly

Steven Miller - 200 IM, 100 Breast

Fiona Myers - 100 Breast

Donovan Reiber - 50 Free, 100 Free

Chris Urrunaga - 100 Free

Kevin Vu - 100 Fly, 500 Free

Track & Field

Amelia Myers - Triple Jump

Alita Paragon - Pole Vault

My'Angel Salisbury - Discus, Shot Put

Faith Walker - High Jump, 200 M

INDIVIDUAL PIAA STATE QUALIFIERS

Cross Country

Steven Miller

Swimming & Diving

Briana Miller - 200 Freestyle

MILESTONE ACHIEVEMENTS

Girls Basketball: Faith Walker - 1,000 Career Points - Finished with 1,062 points

Boys Lacrosse: Griffin Brumbaugh - 955 Career Saves, Tyler Michael - 100 Career Goals, Jaidyn Wilkins - 100 Career Points

ALL-STATE NOMINATIONS

Faith Walker - Girls Basketball - 5A 2nd Team

BROKEN WEST YORK RECORDS

Girls Basketball

Faith Walker - 509 Points in a single season

Softball

Rylyn Fant - 168 Career Hits, 26 Career Home Runs

Track & Field

Alita Paragon - Pole Vault 11'3"

Unified Track & Field

Nichole Simpson - Shot Put 8.1m

Felicity Sipe - Mini Jav 21.38m



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