

Sun Prairie Area School District
Notice of Educational Options for Children
Who Reside in the School District
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The state of Wisconsin requires that all school districts include information in a local newspaper and on their website about educational options for all children who reside in that district.

The Sun Prairie Area School District offers a variety of educational options to children who reside in the District.

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 and each school’s most recent state-assigned performance category are listed below:

2023-24 State Report Cards		
School Name	Grades Served	Performance Category
Sun Prairie Area School District	4K-12	Meets Expectations
Sun Prairie 4 Kids (SP4K) Program	4K	Not Rated by State
C.H. Bird Elementary	K-5	Meets Few Expectations
Creekside Elementary	4K-5	Meets Few Expectations
Eastside Elementary	K-5	Exceeds Expectations
Horizon Elementary	K-5	Significantly Exceeds Expectations
Meadow View Elementary	4K-5	Meets Expectations
Northside Elementary	4K-5	Meets Expectations
Royal Oaks Elementary	K-5	Exceeds Expectations
Token Springs Elementary	4K-5	Exceeds Expectations
Westside Elementary	K-5	Meets Expectations
Central Heights Middle School	6-8	Meets Expectations
Patrick Marsh Middle School	6-8	Meets Expectations
Prairie View Middle School	6-8	Meets Few Expectations
Prairie Phoenix Academy	9-12	Alternate Rating - Satisfactory Progress
Sun Prairie East High School	9-12	Exceeds Expectations
Sun Prairie West High School	9-12	Exceeds Expectations

In connection with the list of District schools provided above, please note the following:

- The school performance categories listed in the table above are taken from the accountability reports issued by the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction. The full version of the District’s most recent School and District Accountability Report Cards can be

accessed via the Technology page on the District's website at <https://apps2.dpi.wi.gov/reportcards/>.

- The District offers its 4K program at one or more community-based locations other than the elementary schools that are listed above.
- Information about attendance areas for each of the District's schools can be obtained from the [District's Boundary and Walking/Busing Maps](#) web page.

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

- Early childhood special education (for children with disabilities who are at least 3 years old but not yet school-age)
- Special education programs and services for students with disabilities (ages 3-21)
- Advanced Learner Programming (ALP)
- Career and Technical Education (CTE) programming
- Youth apprenticeship program, which combines work-based learning opportunities with related classroom instruction for high school students who are in 11th and 12th grade
- Individualized program and curriculum modifications
- Alternative education programming
- Virtual school
- Multilingual Learners programming
- At-risk education (e.g., for students identified as being at-risk of not graduating from high school)
- Summer School programming

Educational options for students who are enrolled in the Sun Prairie Area School District that involve **part-time attendance** to take courses at an educational institution other than a school of the Sun Prairie Area School District include the following:

Start College Now Program

- Students who have completed 10th grade and are in good academic standing will have the option to take courses at a technical college.
- Enrollment is subject to state and local eligibility requirements, including the limitation that the courses must satisfy a high school graduation requirement.
- Provides opportunities to apply for approval to take up to two courses at a time at another educational institution.

- Includes certain District-approved dual credit opportunities that the District offers in conjunction with a partner institution of higher education.
- Funding is the responsibility of the District.
- Please see a High School counselor for more information.

Early College Credit Program

- Provides opportunities to apply for approval to take one or more nonsectarian courses at an institution within the University of Wisconsin system, a tribally controlled college or a private, nonprofit institution of higher education in Wisconsin for high school and/or college credit if a comparable course is not offered within the District.
- Available to students who are enrolled in the 9th through 12th grade, although institutions may set their own minimum grade level requirements for high school aged students.
- Funding may be shared between the District and the family based on numerous factors, such as whether or not the course is currently offered within the school district, or if the credit will result in dual (high school and college) credit.
- Please see a High School counselor for more information.

Part-Time Open Enrollment

- High school students may take courses at another K-12 school district.
- Provides opportunities to apply for approval to take up to two courses at a time.
- Funding is the responsibility of the District.
- Please see a school counselor for more information.

Additional educational options for children who reside in the Sun Prairie Area School District that involve **full-time** enrollment/attendance at a school, program, or other educational institution that is not a school or instrumentality of the District 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 attendance in a public school of a nonresident school district or attendance through a virtual charter school that is associated with a nonresident school district.
- A child with a disability who meets the program's specific eligibility requirements may apply to attend an eligible, participating private school under a scholarship awarded through the "Special Needs Scholarship Program," as established under state law.
- Enrollment in a private school of the family's choosing (at the family's own cost, as applicable).

- Enrollment in a home-based private educational program as provided under state law.

Additional educational options for children who reside in the Sun Prairie Area School District but who are enrolled in and attending a private school or home-based private educational program include the following:

- Such students may have the opportunity to attend 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 to 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 to two courses per semester in public schools as provided under section 118.53 of the state statutes.
 - Participate in District interscholastic athletics and other District extracurricular activities as provided under section 118.133 of the state statutes.

For more information about any of the educational options listed in this notice, please contact the Sun Prairie Area School District Support Center at (608) 834-6500. Additional information about educational options is also available from the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction at <https://dpi.wi.gov/ed-options>.