MADISON METROPOLITAN SCHOOL DISTRICT

Cherokee Heights Middle School

Grades: **6th - 8th Grade** | Enrollment: **530** | Staff: **118**

Madison West Attendance Area: West High School

Join Cherokee Heights Middle School School and become part of a thriving, supportive community dedicated to the success of every student!

Learn.

Cherokee Heights continues to show growth and strong progress in both English Language Arts (ELA) and Math with a growth score of 73.6% E**xceeds Expectations on the State Report Card.**

We continue to be committed to academic excellence, social-emotional growth and community engagement.

Belong.

At Cherokee Heights, families and staff feel a strong sense of connection and trust amongst one another. According to the 2023-24 Climate Survey:

- **84%** of families report strong student/teacher connection for their students
- **95%** of staff reporting feeling a positive sense of well-being and safety
- **89%** report relational trust within our school community

Thrive.

Cherokee Heights offers programs such as Dual Language Immersion (DLI) and English Language Instruction, AVID, Tutoring programs and more.

Beyond the classroom, Cherokee boasts a variety of clubs and extracurricular activities creating strong community connections. Madison Schools and Community Recreation (MSCR) provides after-school team sports, competing among other MMSD middle schools.

Start: 9 a.m.
Monday Early Release Dismissal: 2:45 p.m.
Dismissal: 4:25 p.m.

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“Our school is a place of learning, compassion and community. Together we will continue to take our school to new levels of excellence. ”

– Roberto Moreno, Principal

Welcome to Cherokee Heights Middle School
Home of the Cougars, Cherokee Heights serves grades 6–8 in one of Madison’s most diverse and unified communities. Our students come from across the city, bringing a rich blend of cultures, languages and experiences that make our school vibrant and inclusive. With strong partnerships, active family involvement and community-rooted events like Hispanic Heritage Night, Project Soapbox and the Black History Month Family Reunion, we foster a school culture where every student and family feels seen, valued and connected.

Empowering Learners Inside and Out
We offer a wide range of programs to support academic growth and student voice, including Dual Language Immersion, AVID, technology classes and targeted special education services. Enrichment opportunities like Drama Club, La Voz del Estudiante Latino, Girls on the Run and Restorative Boys Group give students the chance to explore, lead and grow. Our robust Madison Schools and Community Recreation (MSCR) Afterschool Program keeps students engaged through sports, tutoring, creative clubs and more.

Looking Ahead to a Bright Future
Cherokee Heights is a school on the rise, with a deep commitment to equity and excellence. Thanks to the 2024 Referendum, we’ll open a new, future-ready building in 2028 designed to support modern learning and collaboration. At Cherokee Heights, we believe in the brilliance of every student—and we’re building a school that reflects that belief every day.

Madison Metropolitan School District (MMSD) is the place where your child will truly thrive. We welcome all children and foster a strong sense of belonging, ensuring every student feels valued and supported.

At MMSD, we believe in exploring a wide range of interests and providing opportunities that help students discover their passions, talents and unique potential. From arts to sciences, technology to sports, there’s something for every child to explore and grow!

We’re proud to have the support of our community, with newly renovated high schools, a new elementary school and 10 new buildings coming soon. These modern spaces create an environment for future-ready opportunities that will set your child up for success!

87%
Graduation Rate

43
National Merit Semifinalists (most in Wisconsin)

64%
of students graduate with some college credits

4,200
Advanced Placement Taken in 2025 with 80% scoring 3 or higher

12
State Championships for Career and Technical Student Organizations

190
WIAA Team State Championships (most in Wisconsin)