MADISON METROPOLITAN SCHOOL DISTRICT

Paul J. Olson Elementary

Grades: **4K - 5th Grade** | Enrollment: **498** | Staff: **70**

Madison Memorial Attendance Area: Toki Middle School ▶ Memorial High School

Join Olson Elementary School and become part of a thriving, supportive community dedicated to the success of every student!

Learn.

Olson Elementary earned **4 stars - Exceeding Expectations** on the State Report Card!

Olson ranks among the top one-third of elementary schools statewide. Our students show continual growth in math scores and steady growth in English Language Arts scores. At Olson, we are committed to excellence in equity and achievement for all students.

Belong.

At Olson, students and families feel a strong sense of community and belonging. According to the 2023–24 Climate Survey:

- **91%** of students report strong connections with their teachers
- **91%** of staff report strong relationships with families
- **92%** student engagement across the school

Thrive.

Olson Elementary offers a focused Half-Day 4K program designed to introduce young learners to a nurturing school environment and build foundational skills for future success.

Our commitment to sustainability is showcased by our silver LEED-certified building, featuring geothermal heating and cooling and solar panels. Investing in a healthy future for these young learners.

Start: 7:35 a.m.
Monday Early Release Dismissal: 1:10 p.m.
Dismissal: 2:30 p.m.

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olson.madison.k12.wi.us

“Your involvement matters! Connect through events, conferences, and volunteering. Strong partnerships are key to student success.”

– Christine Barone, Principal

A Strong Start in a Nurturing Environment
We offers a Full Day, 5 day a week 4K program designed to help our youngest learners build confidence, curiosity and community. With dedicated staff and engaging learning experiences, students are supported from the very beginning of their academic journey.

After-School and Enrichment Opportunities
Our students benefit from on-site YMCA after-school care and enrichment programs like Girls on the Run, offered in both fall and spring. These activities help students develop leadership, teamwork and confidence beyond the classroom.

A School That Stays Connected
Olson families enjoy monthly opportunities to engage with the school through academic, social and community events—ranging from family fun nights to picnics. Signature events like the Olson Splash Carnival, Multicultural Night, Talent Show and All-School Picnic bring our community together.

Inclusive, Student-Centered Learning
Olson focuses on keeping students in the general education setting as much as possible, while embedding social-emotional learning across the school. Through innovative efforts like RISE groups, students connect across classrooms and grade levels, building friendships and a sense of belonging.

Led by Passion and Purpose
Principal Barone’s journey at Olson began in its very first year—as a student teacher. Over the years, she’s been a classroom teacher, support coach and now principal. Her deep-rooted connection to the school and decision to raise her own child in the Olson community speaks to her commitment to every student and family.

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!

88% Graduation Rate

24 National Merit Scholar Semifinalists

61% of students graduate with some college credits

5,500 Advanced Placement (AP) Test Registered for in 2025

750 Career and Technical (CTE) Concentrators
class of 2022

54% Co-curricular participation