

# HISTORY ACADEMIC CIRCLE

## Spring Harbor Middle

Grades: **6th - 8th Grade** | Enrollment: **264** | Staff: **52**

**Madison Memorial Attendance Area:** Vel Phillips Memorial High School

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



### Learn.

Spring Harbor Middle School **earned 4 stars – Exceeding Expectations** on the State Report Card!

Spring Harbor demonstrates solid academic performance, particularly in student growth. The school outpaced many peers with growth scores in English Language Arts and in Mathematics. We are proud of these, which are **higher than 82.3% of the state's middle schools**.



### Belong.

At Spring Harbor, our students report a high sense of belonging and engagement, according to results from the spring 2023-24 Climate Survey:

- **93%** of students want to learn as much as they can at school
- **92%** of students say their teachers and staff listen and value their ideas
- **87%** of students say they are proud to attend our school



### Thrive.

Spring Harbor Middle School is an environmental studies magnet school that families must apply to. Located along the shores of Lake Mendota, our school is focused on challenging all students to explore their world, empowering them to become leaders and agents of change.

We use a unique bell schedule that allows for flexible programming to support student growth through targeted work and access to office hours for additional academic support from our caring and dedicated staff.

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

**1110 Spring Harbor Drive, Madison, WI 53705**  
[springharbor.madison.k12.wi.us](http://springharbor.madison.k12.wi.us)

**“We work hard to ensure that students are provided a high quality education in a safe and caring environment where all are celebrated for who they are and the gifts they bring to our school community.”**

– Pamela Waite, Principal

### **Mission & Vision**

At Spring Harbor Middle School, our mission is to challenge students to explore their world and empower them to become agents of change. As a small environmental-studies middle school, we combine rigorous academics with hands-on learning.

### **A Unique Learning Environment**

Nestled near Lake Mendota, Spring Harbor offers a natural setting that enhances student learning. We serve students across the Vel Phillips Memorial High School attendance area and pride ourselves on a tight-knit community, caring staff and a flexible schedule that supports personalized learning and academic growth. Admission to Spring Harbor is based on a lottery process, reflecting our specialized programming and small school environment.

### **Learning Beyond the Classroom**

Students thrive in a variety of extracurricular opportunities, including Madison Schools and Community Recreation (MSCR) after-school programs, horseback riding, drama, music, intramural sports, games club, yearbook and student council. These experiences promote teamwork and leadership.

### **Celebrating Community**

Our school hosts annual events like the Springathon 5K, concerts, school dances and 5th–6th grade transition nights that bring families together and strengthens our community. The Spring Harbor PTO actively supports these efforts.



### **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)