



Carl Sandburg Elementary

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

Madison East Attendance Area: Sherman Middle School ► East High School

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



Learn.

Sandburg Elementary proudly earned **4 stars – Exceeds Expectations** on the State Report Card!

Our students consistently show growth in English Language Arts and Mathematics, **scoring higher than nearly 70% of K-5 schools in the state.** At Sandburg, academic excellence is at the heart of everything we do, setting a strong foundation for lifelong learning.



Belong.

Families feel a strong sense of connection, trust and engagement with teachers and staff. According to the 2023-24 Climate Survey:

- **87%** of families report strong connection with teachers
- **89%** of students feel a sense of belonging
- **93%** student engagement
- **94%** relational trust within our school community



Thrive.

Sandburg offers a wealth of opportunities for students to thrive

A designated Community School that provides Full-Day 4K, Dual Language Immersion (DLI) and English Language Instruction.

Beyond the classroom, Sandburg boasts a variety of clubs and extracurricular activities, helping create strong community connections and partnerships for students and families alike.

Start: 8:25 a.m.
Monday Early Release Dismissal: 2 p.m.
Dismissal: 3:20 p.m.

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“The community is what is special at Sandburg. Everyone cares about each other and there is a lot of unity.”

– Staff Member

Strong Academics and Enriching Programs

Sandburg is a Community School that offers every major MMSD program under one roof, including Full-Day 4K, Dual Language Immersion (DLI) and the Early Literacy Initiative (ELI). Students benefit from strong academic growth in English Language Arts and Math. A dedicated staff provides engaging, high-quality instruction.

Unique Educational, Extracurricular & After-School Opportunities

Learning at Sandburg extends well beyond the classroom. Students can participate in a wide range of after-school programs and clubs that foster creativity, leadership and teamwork. Offerings include the Madison Schools and Community Recreation (MSCR) Afterschool Program, Soccer Club, Dungeons & Dragons Club (D&D), Latina Girls Club, Girls on the Run, Crochet Club, Tri 4 Schools and more. These programs provide students with meaningful opportunities to explore their interests and connect with peers.

Community Partnerships That Matter

Community partnerships are central to who we are at Sandburg. Collaborations with organizations like Hy-Vee, Office Depot, Door Creek Church, AWSA and Group Health Cooperative enhance learning experiences, supply valuable resources and build a strong sense of community and belonging. Our active Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) also plays a key role in supporting student success and family engagement.



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)