



Hawthorne Elementary

Grades: **4K - 5th Grade** | Enrollment: **339** | Staff: **75** | **DBE** | **Community School**

Madison East Attendance Area: O'Keeffe & Sherman Middle Schools ► East High School

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



Learn.

Learning at Hawthorne is rooted in connection and opportunity. Our educators focus on building strong foundations in reading and math. Guided by the science of reading, we help every student become a confident, capable reader.

In 2024–25, Hawthorne students exceeded statewide growth averages, with a Growth score of 72.7 and English Language Arts Score of 79.3, meaning **our students are progressing faster than their peers** at Wisconsin elementary schools.



Belong.

Hawthorne students and families feel a strong sense of connection along with trust and engagement with peers, teachers and staff. According to the 2024-25 Climate Survey:

- **92%** of students felt that adults in the school cared about them
- **88%** of students said they were part of lots of activities at school
- **95%** of families felt that staff listened to their suggestions of how to best support their student
- **95%** felt their student had friends at school



Thrive.

As one of eight dedicated Community Schools in MMSD, Hawthorne provides wrap-around services geared toward ensuring that every student is equipped with the tools they need to excel in the classroom and beyond.

Along with our Developmental Bilingual Education programming, we offer full day 4K including a Spanish bilingual 4K option. In recent years, our staff focus has been building a school that is inclusive and welcoming for all students and families. In 2026, Hawthorne will be honored as a Welcoming Schools Seal of Excellence school by the Human Rights Campaign.

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

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“Hawthorne is committed to providing an educational experience that ensures all students feel seen, welcomed and supported in our school.”
– Lucy Sieber, Principal

Who We Are

At Hawthorne Elementary, we aim to inspire and prepare every student, every day to make the world a better place. Through family and community collaboration, we provide engaging instruction in a safe, inclusive and welcoming learning environment that celebrates student achievement and diversity.

Unique Educational, Extracurricular & After-School Offerings

In response to community feedback, Hawthorne has added additional mental health supports for our students with our new partnership with Behavioral Health in Schools. Our holistic supports for students and families also include our food pantry, open whenever school is in session, Black Girl Magic groups, Girls on the Run club, and our regular evening community events.

Neighborhood and Community

Hawthorne sits in the heart of Madison’s near East Side, surrounded by tree-lined streets, community gardens and the energy of a diverse urban neighborhood. Just blocks from Demetral Park and a short walk from East Washington Avenue, our school is woven into the daily rhythm of the families we serve. We work closely with neighborhood organizations and community leaders to bring resources and enrichment opportunities into our building. Whether it’s attending a neighborhood clean-up, joining an MSCR activity, or simply walking or biking to school, Hawthorne students experience a daily connection to the community that surrounds and celebrates them.



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)

