

PORT EDWARDS SCHOOL DISTRICT  
NOTICE OF EDUCATIONAL OPTIONS FOR CHILDREN WHO RESIDE IN THE SCHOOL DISTRICT

The Port Edwards School District offers students a variety of education options to children who reside in the District. The District's primary education pathway and instruction program for students involves a progression from 4-year-old kindergarten through 12<sup>th</sup> grade, leading to a high school diploma.

The District's schools and each schools most recent state-assigned performance category are listed below:

- **Port Edwards School District**
  - 2018-19 District Performance Category Meets Expectations
  - 2017-18 District Performance Category Exceeds Expectations
  - 2016-17 District Performance Category Exceeds Expectations
  - 2015-16 District Performance Category Significantly Exceeds Expectations
- **Port Edwards Elementary School (4K-5<sup>th</sup> Grades)**
  - 2018-19 School Performance Category Exceeds Expectations
  - 2017-18 School Performance Category Exceeds Expectations
  - 2016-17 School Performance Category Exceeds Expectations
  - 2015-16 School Performance Category Significantly Exceeds Expectations
- **John Edwards Middle School (6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> Grades)**
  - 2018-19 School Performance Category Meets Expectations
  - 2017-18 School Performance Category Exceeds Expectations
  - 2016-17 School Performance Category Significantly Exceeds Expectations
  - 2015-16 School Performance Category Significantly Exceeds Expectations
- **John Edwards High School (9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> Grades)**
  - 2018-19 School Performance Category Meets Expectations
  - 2017-18 School Performance Category Meets Expectations
  - 2016-17 School Performance Category Meets Few Expectations
  - 2015-16 School Performance Category Satisfactory Progress—Alternative Rating

\*The full version of the District's most recent school and school district accountability report, as issued by the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction under section 115.385 of the state statutes, can be accessed via the following page available on both the District website and the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction Website at: <https://apps2.dpi.wi.gov/reportcards/>

Some of the specific programs offered to eligible students who are enrolled in and attending the District's school include the following:

- Early childhood special education (for students who are at least 3 years old but not yet school-age)
- Special education for students with disabilities
- English language learner
- Career and Technical Education (CTE) programs
- Individualized program and curriculum modifications
- Alternative education program(s)
- At-risk education (e.g., for students identified as being at-risk of not graduating from high school)
- Summer school programming

Educational options for students who are enrolled in the Port Edwards School District that involve part-time attendance at an educational institution other than a school of the Port Edwards School District include the following:

- The Early College Credit Program and Start College Now, which
  - provides opportunities to apply for approval to take courses at certain institutions of higher education; and
  - is subject to state and local eligibility requirements; and
  - Early College Credit Program is available only to students who are enrolled in the 9<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> grades; and
  - Start College Now is available to students interested in Technical College credits who are enrolled in the 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> grades.
- Part-Time Public School Open Enrollment
  - provides an opportunity for a student enrolled in a public high school to attend a public school in a non-resident district on a part-time basis; and
  - a student may attend no more than two courses at a time in the non-resident district under this law.

Additional educational options for children who reside in the District that involve full-time enrollment/attendance at a school, program, or other educational institution that is not a school or instrumentality of the Port Edwards School District include the following:

- High school students meeting certain age and other eligibility requirements may be permitted to attend a technical college or certain other programs for the purpose of completing a program leading to a high school equivalency diploma.
- Full-time Open Enrollment involving physical attendance in a public school of a nonresident school district or attendance through a virtual charter school that is associated with a nonresident school district.
- A child with a disability who meets the program's specific eligibility requirements may apply to attend an eligible, participating private school under a scholarship awarded through the state's "Special Needs Scholarship Program" as established under section 115.7915 of the state statutes.
- Enrollment in a private school participating in the Wisconsin parental choice program.
- Enrollment in a private school of the family's choosing (at the family's own cost, as applicable).
- Enrollment in a home-based private educational program as provided under state law.

Educational options for children who reside in the Port Edwards School District but who are enrolled in and attending a private school, or home-based private educational program include the following:

- Such students have the opportunity to attend summer school classes/programs offered in the District.
- Private school students in the high school grades have the opportunity to apply for approval to take up to two courses per semester in a District school, pursuant to section 118.145(4) of the state statutes.
- Students who are enrolled in a home-based private educational program have the opportunity to:
  - Apply for approval to take up to two courses per semester in public schools as provided under section 118.53.
  - Participate in District interscholastic athletics and other District extracurricular activities as provided under section 118.133.

For more information about any of the educational options listed in this notice, please contact the District's main administrative office at 715-887-9000 or the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction.