

Parent Notification

118.57 Notice of educational options; accountability report performance category; pupil assessments.

January 2018

School District of Cambridge Statement on 2017-18 Pupil Academic Standards:

Per requirement of Section 120.12(13) of the Wisconsin State Statutes the Board of Education is providing notice that the School District of Cambridge has adopted the Next Generation Science Standards, the Wisconsin Model Academic Standards for social studies and the Wisconsin Standards for Mathematics and English/Language Arts. The district is also using the Career and College Readiness Standards as a basis for curriculum review and revision during the 2017-18 school year.

School Accountability Report: Per requirement of Section 118.57(2) of the state statutes the School District shall provide notice of the district's performance category and the performance category of each school within the district.

The school district's most recent performance category as reported on the state issued report card is as follows:

School District of Cambridge – Exceeds Expectations (73.3)

Cambridge Elementary School- Significantly Exceeds Expectations (82.1)

Nikolay Middle School – Meets Expectations (66.6)

Cambridge High School – Exceeds Expectations (73.9)

The complete report cards can be found at: <http://www.cambridge.k12.wi.us>

Educational Options: Per requirement of Section 118.57 of the state statutes the School District of Cambridge is required to publish a description of the educational options available to children residing in the district. Options available to students residing in the School District of Cambridge include the following:

School District of Cambridge– The School District of Cambridge offers a general education program based on the typical 4K-12 common graded structure of self-contained classrooms. Nikolay Middle School provides a diversified middle school program that offers both required and elective courses in marketing, computer applications, health, technical education, family/consumer education, world language (Spanish) band and choir. Cambridge High School offers both required and elective courses that offer class options that best align with a student's academic, career and college readiness skills that range from general based curriculum through multiple Advanced Placement course options that begin with a student's entrance as freshman at Cambridge High School.

The district partners with Koshkonong Trails a charter school to offer an agriculture and environmental based secondary education. The school is an option on seats available basis, for students in grades 6-12. The school is located at the Severson Learning Center, an 80 acre farm owned by the district.

Youth Options: Students attending Cambridge High School are eligible to participate in the Wisconsin Youth Options Program. Students wishing to exercise this option need to follow the Youth Options guidelines

Course Options: (From DPI) 2013 Wisconsin Act 20, the 2013-15 biennial budget act, eliminated Part-Time Open Enrollment and, in its place, established a new program for students entitled Course Options. Course Options still provides a means for Wisconsin students to take courses offered by other Wisconsin school districts, but now also includes the opportunity for students to enroll in courses offered by charter schools, various institutions of higher education, and approved nonprofit organizations at no cost to the student.

Home School Option: Wisconsin Laws Relating to Home-Based Private Education Programs (Homeschooling)

HOME-BASED PRIVATE EDUCATION PROGRAM. “Home-based private educational program” means a program of educational instruction provided to a child by the child’s parent or guardian or by a person designated by the parent or guardian. An instructional program provided to more than one family unit does not constitute a home-based private educational program.

Private School Option: Utica Christian School, Utica, WI, <http://ucswi.org/UCS/Home.html>

Virtual School Options: Wisconsin Virtual School Wisconsin Virtual School (WVS), is a supplemental online course provider that partners with school districts throughout Wisconsin, to offer online courses to middle and high school students. <http://www.wisconsinvirtualschool.org/>

Open Enrollment Options:

The inter-district public school open enrollment program allows parents to apply for their children to attend public school in a school district other than the one in which they reside.

The provisions and enrollment period to apply for this educational option are available on the DPI website, www.dpi.wi.gov