

**RICHLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT
NOTICE OF EDUCATIONAL OPTIONS FOR CHILDREN WHO RESIDE IN THE DISTRICT
2020-21**

The Richland School District offers students who reside in the District a variety of educational options. The District's primary educational pathway and instructional program for students involves a progression from 4-year-old kindergarten through grade 12, leading to a high school diploma.

The District's schools and each school's most recent state-assigned performance category (if available) are listed below. Data given are from the 2018-19 school year. (No report cards were produced in 2019-20.

Elementary Schools:

- Lincoln Elementary School – 4 Year Old Kindergarten
- Jefferson Elementary School – First through Fifth Grade (meets expectations)
- Doudna Elementary School – 5 Year Old Kindergarten through Fifth Grade (exceeds expectations)

Middle School:

- Richland Middle School – Sixth through Eighth Grade (meets expectations)

High School:

- Richland Center High School – Ninth through Twelfth Grade (meets expectations)

Virtual Charter School:

- Richland Online Academy – Sixth through Twelfth Grade – (alternate rating – needs improvement)

The full version of the District's most recent school and 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 "District Report Card" link on the following page of the District's website: https://www.richland.k12.wi.us/contact_us.

For school year 2020-21, the Richland School District Board of Education has adopted the common core standards as the official pupil academic standards. Following are descriptions of additional educational options.

Some of the specific education programs offered to eligible students who are enrolled in and attending the District's schools 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 education
- Gifted and talented education
- Career and Technical Education (CTE) programs
- Online learning options (including 6-12 full-time online learning program)
- Individualized program and curriculum modifications
- Alternative educational program(s)
- At-risk education (for students identified as being at-risk for not graduating from high school)
- Summer school programming

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

- The Early College Credit Program, which
 - Provides opportunities to apply for approval to take courses at certain institutions of higher education; and
 - Is available only to students who are enrolled in the 11th or 12th grade.

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 Richland 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 the student's high school graduation or to a high school equivalency diploma. Institutions include UW Richland, Richland Center WI, and Southwest Technical College, Fennimore WI.
- 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.
- Beginning in the 2016-17 school year, 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 of the family's choosing (at the family's own cost, as applicable). Private schools in Richland Center include St. Mary School (grades PK-8), Eagle Christian School (grades K-12), and Richland Christian Academy (grades K-12).
- Enrollment in a home-based private educational program as provided under state law.

Educational options for children who reside in the Richland 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 (608) 647-6106 or the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction.