

**MERTON COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT NOTICE OF EDUCATIONAL OPTIONS  
FOR CHILDREN WHO RESIDE IN THE SCHOOL DISTRICT as required by WI  
Statutes 115.385 & 118.57**

The Merton Community School District offers students a variety of educational options to children who reside in the District. The District's primary educational pathway and instructional program for students involves a progression from 4K through 8th grade. Merton Community School District's most recent performance category, as assigned by the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction (DPI) under section 115.385 of the state statute is: Significantly Exceeds Expectations. The full version of the most recent school report, can be accessed via the District's website: <http://www.merton.k12.wi.us>.

Some of the specific education programs offered to eligible students who are enrolled in and attending Merton Community School District include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Career and Technical Education (CTE) programs
- Gifted and Talented Programs
- Individualized programming and academic interventions (Response to Intervention)
- One-to-one technology enhanced learning for students
- Special education for students with disabilities
- Summer school programming
- 8th Grade Geometry transcribed to Arrowhead High School
- Science Technology and Mathematics Programs (STEM)
- Choral & General music programs
- Instrumental music programs
- Art programs
- Spanish programs
- Guidance programs
- 4-year-old Kindergarten program
- Early Childhood Special Education (for students who are at least 3 years old but not yet school-age)
- Alternative education programs

Educational options for students who are enrolled in Merton Community School District that involve part- time attendance at an additional educational institution include the following:

- Students may attend Arrowhead High School for advanced course work beyond the district offerings.

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 Merton Community School District include the following:

- 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).
- Enrollment in a home-based private educational program as provided under state law.

Educational options for children who reside in the Merton Community School District boundaries 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, provided eligibility requirements are met.
- Students who are enrolled in a home-based private educational program have the opportunity to:
  - Apply for approval to take up two courses per semester in public schools, provided space is available and pursuant to section 118.53 of the state statutes.
  - Participate in District interscholastic athletics and other District extracurricular activities as provided under section 118.133 of the state statutes.

For more information about any of the educational options listed in this notice, please contact the Merton Community School District Office at (262) 538-2227 or the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction.