



DISTRICT ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Date: November 14th, 2018

DPI PATHWAYS TO TEACHER LICENSURE

The Department of Public Instruction provides information regarding multiple pathways for people to gain a teaching license. The Department has recently released some success stories (document on Bookbook) regarding alternative paths to licensure. The region continues to see lower numbers of people going into the profession and a lower numbers of substitute teachers as well. Interested in becoming a teacher? Please visit the DPI webpage <https://dpi.wi.gov/tepd/paths> or contact Mr. Robinson at the District office.

SOCIAL EMOTIONAL LEARNING (SEL)

Wisconsin and Frederic continue to build social emotional learning capacity. Recently, the DPI has developed SEL competencies and continue to provide more and more informational resources for school districts to build programs to meet the needs of their diverse student needs. Building, implementing, and sustaining quality programming and supports for students will take time and considerable investments. We need to be sure Frederic is growing, in parallel with the state's efforts, so our students have access to needed supports.

VOUCHER PROGRAMMING

39,381 Wisconsin students are participating in the state voucher program, which is up about 3164 students from last year, or approximately 8.7%. The increase means a total estimated cost for the state's voucher program at \$302 million. Students not living in Milwaukee or Racine participate in the Wisconsin Parent Choice Program. Since 2013, the number of schools (25) and students (511) has increased to 213 schools and 7140 students.

RURAL SCHOOLS CONFERENCE PRESENTATION

Frederic recently presented at the Wisconsin Rural Schools Conference, and we had a strong turnout for our session, "Building a Community Childcare Center." As we continue to find success in our journey, districts across the state are looking to learn from us and implement our service design. We will also be presenting at Wisconsin's State Education Convention in January.

GOVERNOR ELECTION

Dr. Tony Evers, State Superintendent of Public Instruction, has been elected as the next Wisconsin Governor and will be sworn in on January 7. The Senate and the Assembly hold majority Republican leadership.

GRANT OPPORTUNITIES

In the coming months there are two major grant opportunities the District will be learning about and potentially seeking.

- 21st Century Community Learning Center Grant, which would target academic enrichment, services, activities, and family engagement.
- Charter School Grant, which would help the District open one or more additional public schools. Examples could include a Montessori school, virtual school, project-based learning school, and/or environmental learning school. These are a few that have been successful throughout the state and nation.

NOVEMBER REFERENDUM RESULTS

There were 82 schools that held referendum questions in November. Of the 82 referendum:

- 76 passed
- 4 failed
- 2 are too close to call at this time