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## ACADEMIC OPTIONS

The Frederic School District offers a variety of educational options to children who reside in the District. In our quest to Be Excellent in a changing world, the Frederic School District will provide comprehensive educational programs and learning environments that allow for the intellectual, physical, emotional, cultural, social, and ethical growth of students.

The District's primary educational pathway and instructional program for students involves a progression from 4-year-old kindergarten through 12th grade, 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:

| School Name         | Type of School | Grades Served | Performance Category        |
|---------------------|----------------|---------------|-----------------------------|
| Frederic Elementary | Public         | 4K - 5        | 79.8 Exceeds Expectations   |
| Frederic 6-12       | Public         | 6 - 12        | 51.7 Meets Few Expectations |

<sup>\*</sup> The 2019 Wisconsin Act 185 prohibits the release of school and district accountability report cards in the 2020-2021 school year. As a result, the Office of Accountability (WI DPI) will not be issuing school or district report cards for 2019-2020, which are usually released to the public in November.

The full versions of the District's most recent school and school district accountability report, as issued by the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction under 115.385 of the state statutes, can be accessed via the district's website at www.fredericsd.org.

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

- 1. Early childhood special education (for students who are at least 3 years old but not yet school-age)
- 2. Special education programs and services for students with disabilities
- 3. English language learner programming
- 4. Gifted and talented education
- 5. Career and Technical Education (CTE) options
- 6. An education for employment program
- 7. The youth apprenticeship program, which combines work-based learning opportunities with related classroom instruction for high school students who are in 11th or 12th grade
- 8. Individualized program and curriculum modifications
- 9. Alternative education program(s)
- 10. At-risk education (e.g., for students identified as being at-risk of not graduating from high school)

## 11. Summer school programming

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

- 1. The Part-time Open Enrollment Program, which provides opportunities for public high school students to apply for approval to take up to 2 courses at a time in nonresident school districts.
- 2. The Technical College Course Program ("Start College Now" Program), which
  - a. provides opportunities to apply for approval to take courses at technical colleges; and
  - b. is available only to students who are enrolled in the 11th or 12th grade.
- 3. The Early College Credit Program, which
  - a. provides opportunities to apply for approval to take nonsectarian courses at institutions of higher education; and
  - b. is available to eligible high school students.

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 Frederic School District include the following:

- 1. 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.
- 2. Enrollment in any independent public charter school (i.e., a school with no District authorization or affiliation) that may be open to students who are District residents.
- 3. 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.
- 4. Enrollment in any private school participating in the Wisconsin parental choice program that may be open to students who are District residents.
- 5. Enrollment in a private school of the family's choosing (at the family's own cost, as applicable).
- 6. 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.

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

- 1. Such students have the opportunity to attend summer school classes/programs offered in the District.
- 2. 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.
- 3. Students who are enrolled in a home-based private educational program have the opportunity to:
  - a. Apply for approval to take up two courses per semester in public schools as provided under section 118.53 of the state statutes.
  - b. 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 District's main administrative office at 715-327-5630, 1437 Clam Falls Drive Frederic, WI 54837 or the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction.