

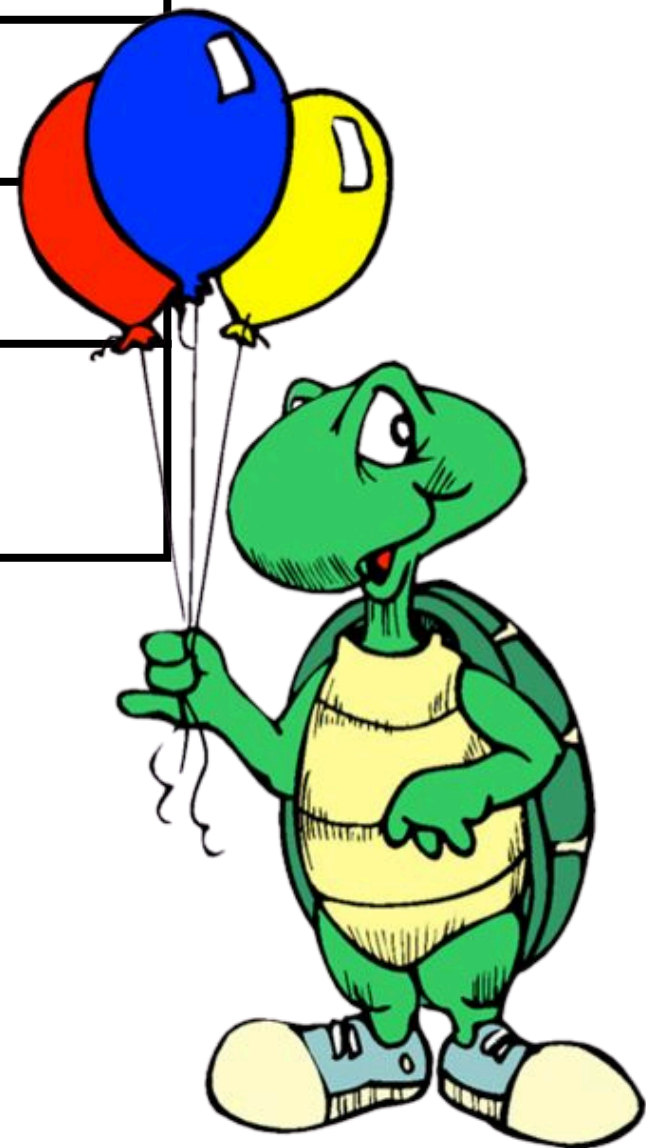
WAUSAU SCHOOL DISTRICT 4-YEAR-OLD KINDERGARTEN

THE GOAL OF 4 YEAR OLD KINDERGARTEN PROGRAMMING IS TO PROVIDE YOUNG LEARNERS A FOUNDATION FOR LIFELONG LEARNING BY FOSTERING THEIR SOCIAL, EMOTIONAL, COGNITIVE, AND PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT THROUGH PLAY-BASED AND STRUCTURED EXPERIENCES.



CURRENT 4K STRUCTURE

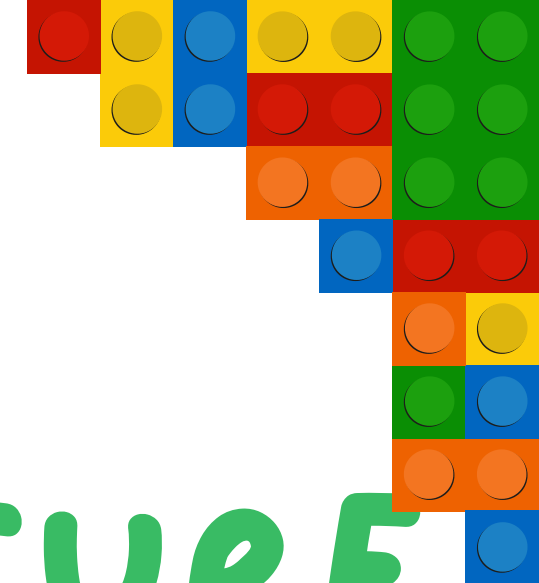
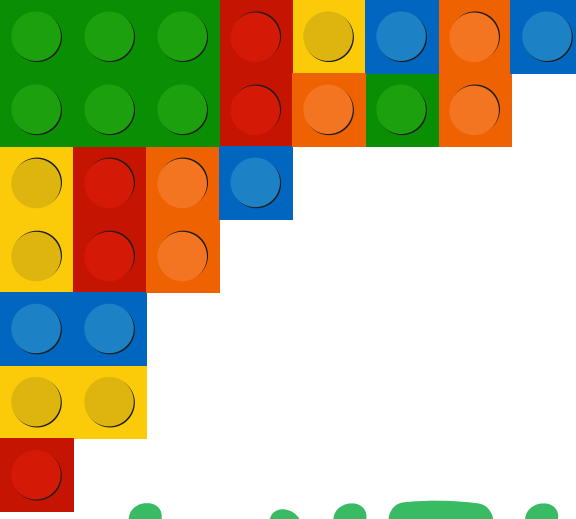
	Jefferson	Hawthorn	G.D. Jones	Riverview
AM	3 sections	1 section	3 sections	2 sections
PM	3 sections	1 section	3 sections	2 sections
TOTAL	6	2	6	4





INITIAL 2025-2026 4K PLAN

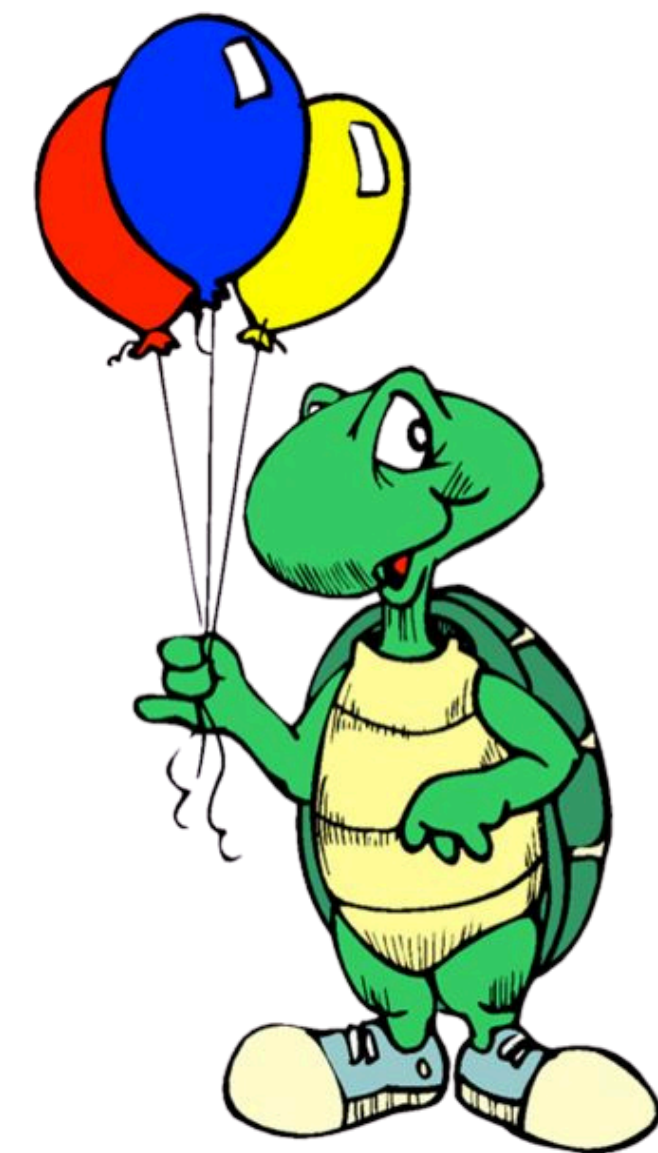
Current and future 4K students who would have attended Hawthorn Hills 4K Academy would attend Riverview 4K Early Learning Academy. These students would also have the option to attend 4K at the Lincoln Early Learning Academy provided parents are willing to provide transportation and seats are available.



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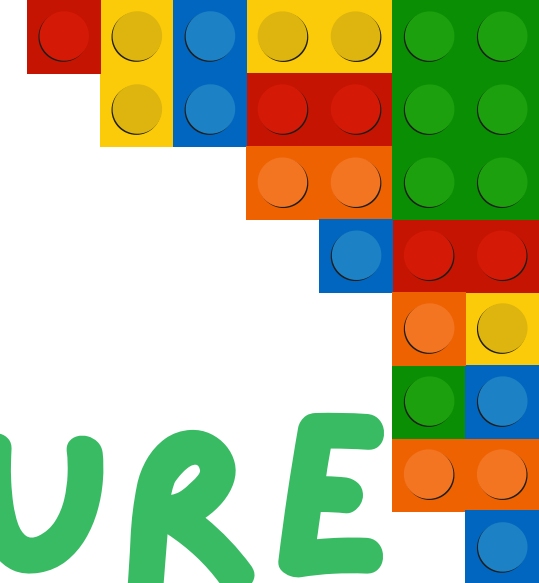
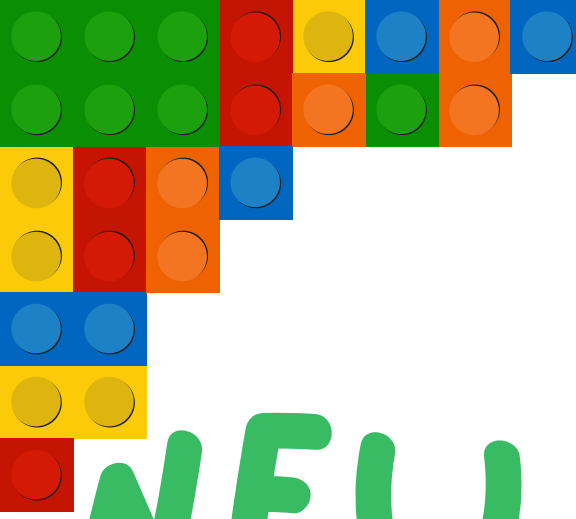
	Lincoln	Riverview
AM	6 Sections	3 Sections
PM	6 Sections	3 Sections
TOTAL	12	6





NEW 2025-2026 4K PLAN

Current and future 4K students who would have attended Hawthorn Hills 4K Academy will attend 4K at Lincoln Early Learning Academy. These students would also have the option to attend 4K at Riverview Early Learning Academy provided parents are willing to provide transportation and seats are available.



NEW 2025-2026 4K STRUCTURE



	Lincoln	Riverview
AM	7 Sections	2 Sections
PM	7 Sections	2 Sections
TOTAL	14	4





ENHANCED SPACE UTILIZATION AT RIVERVIEW

- Preserve a classroom at Riverview
- Provide crucial flexibility for K-5 growth
- Increased flexibility of both Special Education and Regular Education space utilization



IMPROVED KINDERGARTEN TRANSITION

- Stronger peer cohorts - children enter kindergarten as a cohesive group having had a shared 4K experience before joining their elementary school.
- Creating a more seamless transition from 4K to Kindergarten



CONTINUITY OF 4K TEACHING

TEAMS

- Program Consistency
- Minimize disruption for students and staff
- Existing 4K teaching teams remain intact
- Keeping established teams together allows for deeper professional relationships, shared best practices, and seamless learning experience for students.



POTENTIAL TRANSPORTATION EFFICIENCIES

- Simplify transportation planning
- Potentially avoid splitting bus routes
- Possible cost savings through improved routing of busses



LONG-TERM 4K FLEXIBILITY/GROWTH

- Greater adaptability to future fluctuations of enrollment
- Allows for programmatic changes within the 4K program
- Minimize impact of capacity on elementary schools

SUMMARY

This organizational shift represents a strategic and beneficial solution for our District 4K program.

