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# Foreword

**W**isconsin is nationally known for our educational innovation. Our state's charter schools are a shining example. Wisconsin charter schools are public schools accountable to their authorizers. In Wisconsin, there are currently 99 local school boards that have authorized at least one charter school. Charter Schools are also authorized by the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, the University of Wisconsin-Parkside, and the City of Milwaukee. Charter schools must employ Department of Public Instruction (DPI) certified staff and participate in the state assessment system. Wisconsin charter schools encourage innovation and creativity in their approach to providing educational options for parents and their children.

Communities throughout our state are coming together to ensure that every child has a quality education and graduates from high school. We are all striving to close the achievement gap between economically disadvantaged students, students of color, and their peers. Wisconsin charter schools are an innovative part of our overall public education efforts to meet these goals. From the 1997-98 school year to the 2015-16 school year, Wisconsin charter schools grew in number from 17 to 242, and they serve children in all corners of the state. This publication provides a description of existing charter schools.

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# 1 Introduction

Charter School \chär-tEr skül\ n : A public school that: (1) in accordance with an enabling state statute is exempt from significant state or local rules; (2) is created by a developer as a public school; (3) provides a program of elementary or secondary education, or both; (4) is nonsectarian in its programs, admission policies, employment practices, and all other operations, and is not affiliated with a sectarian school or religious institution; (5) does not charge tuition; (6) complies with federal law; (7) admits students on the basis of a lottery if more students apply for admission than can be accommodated; (8) agrees to comply with the same federal and state audit requirements as other elementary and secondary schools in the state; (9) meets all applicable federal, state, and local health and safety requirements; and (10) operates in accordance with state law.

Charter schools are public, nonsectarian schools created through a contract or “charter” between the operators and the sponsoring school board or other chartering authority. The Wisconsin charter school law gives charter schools freedom from most state rules and regulations in exchange for greater accountability for results. The charter defines the missions and methods of the charter school. The chartering authority holds the school accountable to its charter.

Charter schools are created with the best elements of regular public schools in mind. Wisconsin established charter schools to foster an environment of creativity. Charter schools are, in essence, living laboratories that influence the larger public school system and introduce an element of entrepreneurship within that system. Charter school leaders may experiment with different instructional theories, site-based management techniques, and other innovative practices. They learn, sometimes by trial and error, what works best for their student population. Traditional schools can observe and learn from what happens in the charter school and make similar improvements in other schools. Through this process, the entire public school system is continually challenged to improve itself.

A charter school is developed to fit the special needs and interests of its community, parents, and students. This is what makes each charter school unique. While many goals for educating and preparing children are similar, each charter school fulfills a specific local need in education. Charter schools offer a choice to parents and students in the area of curriculum, teaching methodology, and classroom structure. In districts with charter schools, the community, school boards, and parents have identified their public education needs and established charters that meet them.

Again, charter schools are public schools. They are freed from most state rules and regulations in exchange for greater accountability for results.



# 2 Wisconsin Charter Schools State Summary

## A: History of Charter School Law

The Wisconsin Charter Program was established in 1993 with authorization for 10 school districts to establish up to two charter schools each, for a total of 20 statewide. Thirteen charter schools were created under this law. In 1995, revisions to the first charter school law gave chartering authority to all school boards statewide and eliminated the cap on the total number of charter schools. In 1997, the state gave chartering authority in Milwaukee to the chancellor of the University of Wisconsin–Milwaukee (UW–Milwaukee), to the Milwaukee Area Technical College (MATC), and to the Common Council of the city of Milwaukee.

In the 1998 budget adjustment session, the state made additional changes to the law, allowing for a school district to contract with a cooperative educational service agency (CESA) to operate a charter school as long as it is located within the CESA. Another change required that a school board receiving a petition to establish a charter school or to convert a nonsectarian private school to a charter school must hold a public hearing on the matter and must consider the fiscal impact of the charter’s establishment. A final change required the school district in which a charter school is located to determine whether the charter school is an instrumentality of the school district. Instrumentality is defined in the section titled “Legal Status” later in this chapter.

The changes that occurred in the 1999–2001 biennial budget revolved around Milwaukee per-pupil aids and statewide assessments. In the 2001–2003 budget bill, limited chartering authority was granted to the University of Wisconsin–Parkside (UW–Parkside) allowing it to establish a single charter school. Changes that occurred in the 2003–2005 biennial budget exempted a specific charter school sponsored by UW–Milwaukee (Woodlands Academy) from some residency requirements. Additional changes in 2005 resulted in the elimination of previous school year attendance requirements for students residing in Milwaukee. In 2008, the state law was further amended to clarify requirements for virtual schools. In 2013, Wisconsin Act 20, the budget bill, included changes that increased the payments for pupils attending independent charter schools. In addition, the law provided that UW–Milwaukee could sponsor independent charter schools anywhere within Milwaukee County or an adjacent county. Furthermore, the law provided that pupils residing in Milwaukee County, or in an adjacent county would be permitted to attend any independent charter school located in Milwaukee County or an adjacent county.

In 2015, a number of changes were made to Wisconsin charter school law as part of the budget bill (Act 55). Changes include requiring all authorizers to adhere to the standards and principles established by the National Association of Charter School Authorizers (NACSA), strengthening the power of the charter school governance board by providing a list of specific board-related responsibilities, creating five new independent authorizers and removing many of the residency and location restrictions on independent charter schools, and requiring all charter school authorizers to report annually to the legislature and to the state superintendent on the performance of each of its charter schools. To see the changes in full, see appendix A.

## **B: Sponsorship**

School boards are the primary charter school authorizers in Wisconsin. The Milwaukee Common Council, UW–Milwaukee, UW–Parkside, MATC, Gateway Technical College, Waukesha County Executive, College of Menominee Nation, Lac Courte Oriettes Ojibwa Community College, and Office of Educational Opportunity (in districts with over 25,000 pupils) also have chartering authority. With the exception of College of Menominee Nation and Lac Courte Oriettes Ojibwa, each may establish, sponsor, and operate an unlimited number of charter schools. The chartering entity reviews submitted petitions and reserves complete discretion in granting or denying a petition. The chartering entity must give preference to an applicant who would establish a charter school to serve an at-risk student population. If the Milwaukee school board denies a petition, the denied petitioner may appeal to the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction (DPI). For information on school board action taken on new charter school petitions and proposals, please visit the section on Legislative Reports on the DPI website <http://dpi.wi.gov/sms/charter-schools/archives>

## **C: Legal Status**

In school districts the school board may determine whether the charter school is an instrumentality of the school district in which it is located. If the board deems it an instrumentality, the district employs all personnel for the charter school. If the board determines the charter school is not an instrumentality, the personnel are considered employees of the charter school.

Although some charter schools are identified as instrumentalities of the district, the word “instrumentality” is not defined in the charter school law and has had limited use in Wisconsin. The word was initially included in the charter law to ensure continuing eligibility of charter school teachers in the Wisconsin Retirement System. Instrumentality as used in the retirement law defines the employer, making it clear that the employing school district is the entity responsible for worker’s compensation, insurance, unemployment compensation, employee insurance and benefits, liability for acts of school staff members, and so forth.

The following exceptions apply to charter schools established by independent authorizers (non-school district). A charter school established by the Milwaukee Common Council, UW–Milwaukee, MATC, the Waukesha County Executive, UW-Parkside, Gateway Technical College, the College of Menominee Nation, the Lac Courte Oreilles Ojibwa Community College or the Office of Educational Opportunity is not an instrumentality of any school district and no school board may employ any personnel for the charter school. However, if the Milwaukee Common Council contracts with an individual or group operating a charter school for profit, then that charter school is an instrumentality of the Milwaukee Public Schools (MPS). The MPS board of education will then employ all personnel for the charter school.

If the chancellor of UW–Parkside contracts for the establishment of a charter school, the board of regents of the University of Wisconsin System may employ instructional staff for the charter school. If the Gateway Technical College District Board contracts for the establishment of a charter school, Gateway Technical College may employ instructional staff for the charter school. If a school board enters into an agreement with a federally recognized American Indian tribe or band to establish a charter school, that school board shall determine whether the charter school is an instrumentality of the school district, regardless of the location of the charter school.

## **D: What Charter Schools Can and Cannot Do**

Charter schools in Wisconsin are exempt from most state requirements regarding public education. However, teachers in charter schools must be licensed by the DPI. Also, students in charter schools are counted for membership in the local school district. State law provides that the contract under which the school operates may be for any term not exceeding five years and may be renewed for one or more terms, each term again not exceeding five years. This law also stipulates that the charter must describe the methods the school will use to enable pupils to attain the general educational goals listed in § 118.01, Wis. Stats. Health and Safety requirements, of course, apply to charter schools as well as to all Wisconsin public schools. Charter schools are not exempt from federal laws governing special education or civil rights policies, nor are they exempt from local school board policies unless negotiated in the charter contract. This last provision does not pertain to Non Instrumentality charter schools. For specific information regarding special education, see <http://dpi.wi.gov/sped>

A charter school cannot charge tuition and must be equally accessible to all students in the school district. If the capacity of the charter school is insufficient to accept all pupils who apply, the charter school shall accept pupils at random. Preference in admission must be given to students living within the attendance area of an existing school that is converted to a charter school. Nonresident students may enroll in a district and be assigned to a charter school under the Wisconsin Public School Open Enrollment Program.

Charter schools may not discriminate on the basis of sex, race, religion, national origin, ancestry, pregnancy, marital or parental status, sexual orientation, or physical, mental, emotional, or learning disability. The charter school contract must clearly spell out how the school will achieve a racial and ethnic balance among its pupils that reflects the balance in the school district as a whole.

Attendance at a charter school must be voluntary, and the district must provide alternative public education for pupils who do not wish to attend the charter school or who are not admitted to the charter school. This provision also applies should a school board enter into a contract that would result in the conversion of all the public schools in the district to charter schools.

Charter schools receiving federal grant funds are subject to the Non-regulatory Guidance of the Public Charter Schools Program of the U.S. Department of Education. For a copy of this document, which clearly spells out admission and lottery requirements, please visit

[http://dpi.wi.gov/sites/default/files/imce/sms/pdf/cs\\_nonreg\\_guidance\\_Jan2014.pdf](http://dpi.wi.gov/sites/default/files/imce/sms/pdf/cs_nonreg_guidance_Jan2014.pdf)

## **E: Organization and Governance**

Charter schools are free to be creative in setting up their administration and governance structures as long as parental involvement is required and the governing board is independent and autonomous from control by the authorizer. The governance board must have autonomy related to policy, budget, and personnel. Governance board membership must be comprised of a majority of non-district employees or school board members. Many charter schools break from traditional management models by establishing decision-making boards that include school staff, parents, and area employers. Others have parent and teacher committees that address school needs, such as fundraising and the budget. Others include student representatives in their governing bodies.

Parental involvement and participation are hallmarks of charter schools. Although many parents readily volunteer, parental service may not be made a condition of pupil admission. In many charter schools that share facilities with other schools, they also share resources such as transportation, food service, accounting and payroll, libraries, and special education programs.

## **F: Licensing Requirements**

**Teacher Licensure.** The DPI licenses teachers in specific subject areas and developmental/grade levels, and requires that teachers working in traditional public schools and virtual charter schools hold the appropriate Initial Educator, Professional Educator or Master Educator license for the subject(s) and grade levels they teach. Those who teach in non-virtual charter schools have the following additional options:

*Charter School Instructional Staff License:* When an already licensed teacher is assigned to teach grades and/or subjects not authorized under his/her Initial, Professional or Master Educator License, the teacher may teach these subjects

and/or grades under a charter school instructional staff license, if he/she qualifies. The charter school instructional staff license is added to the remaining term of the existing license(s), not to exceed five years.

To qualify, the teacher who is assigned to teach core academic subjects outside what is allowed under their Initial Educator, Professional Educator, Master Educator or Life license may obtain the charter school instructional staff license if they meet Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) “highly qualified” requirements. ESEA requires the teacher demonstrate his/her content knowledge in the core academic subject(s) through either a major or minor in the subject(s) or a passing score on the appropriate Wisconsin content exam(s). Those who teach subjects not identified as core academic subjects may request the charter school instructional staff license without demonstrating their content knowledge.

If the already Wisconsin licensed teacher cannot demonstrate content knowledge before the school year begins, the charter school would have to justify the need for an emergency license. This gives the teacher that school year to either: (a) enter an approved program and make adequate progress so that he/she is eligible to renew the emergency license; or (b) pass the appropriate content knowledge exam(s) so that the teacher can apply for the charter school instructional staff license for the following school year.

*Charter School Teacher License:* Charter schools can also employ someone with a bachelor’s degree who is not trained as a teacher under a charter school teacher license, if he/she qualifies. Applicants for the charter school teacher license must demonstrate content knowledge in the subject(s) they are teaching through either a major or minor in the subject(s) or a passing score on the appropriate Wisconsin content exam(s). If the person hired cannot demonstrate content knowledge before the school year begins, the charter school would have to justify the need for an emergency permit. This gives the teacher that school year to either: (a) enter an approved program and make adequate progress so that he/she is eligible to renew the emergency permit; or (b) pass the appropriate content knowledge exam(s) so that the teacher can apply for the charter school license for the following school year.

**Principal Licensure.** The DPI issues licenses in administration for specific administrative roles like principal, director of instruction or superintendent. For the majority of these administrative licenses, the administrator must complete an approved administrator program, approved teacher training program, and have at least three years of teaching experience.

*Charter School Principal License:* There are principals who were prepared as administrators in other states who do not meet all of the criteria for a principal license, but are hired as principals in Wisconsin charter schools. In these cases, they may qualify for the charter school principal license if he/she holds a valid license as a principal in good standing from another state and can verify at least three years of teaching experience.

For additional information, on charter school licensure, please see the Wisconsin Statutory Language in appendix A or the Teacher Education and Licensing home page at the DPI Website at <http://tepd.dpi.wi.gov/licensing/charter>

## **G: Funding**

Most of the money that funds K–12 education in Wisconsin comes from state funds raised primarily through state income and sales taxes. The remaining funds come from other sources, including property taxes, federal aid, and local fees.

In schools chartered by a school district, the contract or charter determines the amount of funding for the charter school each year. In some cases, the district's per-pupil expenditure follows the student as he or she moves from a regular public school to a charter school. In other cases, the charter school functions with less money. This can happen if a charter school shares an existing district facility, and shares management costs with the school district, participates in district services such as co-curricular activities, special education, psychological services, and food service. The school district counts charter school students on its regular count for state aid purposes.

In schools chartered by the independent authorizers, the amount of funding is determined by state law. For the 2015-16 school year, all existing non-school board sponsored/independent charter schools are funded from a proportionate reduction in state school aids from all 424 school districts. For the 2015-16 school year (FY 16), the amount is \$8,079 per pupil for the independent charter schools and is paid directly to the operator of charter schools. The total amount is based on the number of eligible students attending the charter school. Several charter schools have received grants and gifts from community, state and national organizations, foundations, businesses, and private individuals.

Act 55 created a new funding method for independent charter schools authorized by the five new authorizers starting in the 2015-16 school year. In these charter schools, students will be counted by the district of residence for revenue limits and general school aids. The DPI is required to reduce a district's general aid (and categorical aids if necessary) in an amount equal to the charter school per pupil payments of its resident students. Districts will not be able to levy to backfill this aid reduction.

## **H: Grants**

Since 1996, the DPI has received Charter Schools Program (CSP) grants from the U.S. Department of Education. In 1996, the DPI received a three-year grant for more than \$6.4 million. In 1999, the amount received was more than \$8.75 million for three years, and for the years 2002-2005, more than \$27.7 million was awarded. The DPI received \$52.5 million for the 2005-2009 four-year period. The DPI has been authorized to receive \$69.64 million from 2009-2016. Ninety-five percent of the grant funds are awarded in sub-grants to charter schools. These federal grant funds may be used for planning and implementation activities such as professional development, assessment strategies, curriculum development, and investments in technology. Grants may generally be used to defray costs not covered by state and local funds, but they may not be used for regular ongoing operational costs of the charter school, such as teacher or staff salaries, facilities, or transportation of students.

CSP funds also provide dissemination grants to successfully established charter schools. Dissemination grant funds are awarded to charter schools that have been in operation for at least three consecutive years, demonstrate substantial progress in improving student academic achievement, have high levels of parental satisfaction, and are financially viable. The funds are used to develop a product or service to assist other schools in adapting the charter schools program or certain aspects of it.

## **I: Accountability**

Charter schools are assigned individual school codes by the DPI. A charter school is a public school that is exempt from many traditional state and local rules and regulations, thus allowing greater flexibility in how it achieves student success. In exchange for this flexibility, charter schools are held accountable for meeting student achievement goals described in their contracts. A charter school that fails to meet these goals may be closed by its authorizer.

Pursuant to Wisconsin law, a charter may be granted for any term not exceeding five school years and may be renewed for a term not exceeding five years. A charter may be revoked if the authorizer finds that the charter school violated its contract or failed to comply with generally accepted accounting standards of fiscal management, or if its pupils failed to make sufficient progress in attaining educational goals.

The best charter schools in Wisconsin and across the country balance clear educational goals and expectations with their unique styles and missions. These schools and their authorizers agree on the measurable pupil performance indicators they will use to demonstrate progress sufficient to renew the charter contract. These charter contracts call for regular reports to the authorizer and are in place prior to the opening of the school.







# 3 Wisconsin Charter Schools



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Est. 2013

## 1. Albany Community Middle School

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Albany Community Middle School (ACMS) will service 112 students in grades 05-08 in an environment that fosters high academic achievement, critical thinking, and social responsibility and provides a foundation for lifelong learning. The following six design essentials will frame the teaching and learning community of ACMS:

1. Place-based/Community Learning,
2. Project-Based Thematic Learning,
3. 21<sup>st</sup> Skills Learning Community,
4. Personal Learning Plans,
5. Student Leadership, and
6. Wellness Community.

Bring it all together are the Shared Values of ACMS:

Community is school; school is community,  
All people are learners,  
Together we are stronger,  
Individuals and integrity matter, and

A professional learning community of effective collaboration amongst faculty.



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Est. 2011

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The Appleton Bilingual School develops academic excellence and language fluency in Spanish and English, builds cross-cultural relationships, and nurtures an enthusiasm for learning in order for students to achieve future educational and career success and to become active citizens in local and global communities.

Why should you enroll your child in the Appleton Bilingual School?

- Your child will have new experiences and understand familiar things with a fresh perspective.
- People who learn other languages come to better understand and feel comfortable in unfamiliar settings and situations.

- Your child will be able to effectively use Spanish and English in reading, writing, mathematics, science, social studies, and everyday conversation.

The Appleton Bilingual School is located within Columbus Elementary School. To learn more about our school visit our website at <http://www.aasd.k12.wi.us/appletonbilingual/index-eng.html>

### Est. 2007 **3. Appleton Career Academy (ACA)**

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Imagine a charter school that promises and delivers on student connections to community learning where students do sustained academic work that draws upon and contributes to the place in which they live.

Imagine a charter school that promises and delivers on student learning where...

- Each student demonstrates an ability to make decisions, think critically and creatively, and synthesize knowledge beyond the disciplines.
- Each student shows an increased ability to identify, assess, and transfer significant information needed for solving novel problems.
- Each student promotes cooperative learning, activates a better attitude towards self as a learner, and demonstrates efficacy as a meaningful member of a community.

The new interdisciplinary learning collaborative model from ACA does just that: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BhWM4K79WT0>

And with this unity of purpose, the ACA faculty and supportive community are dedicated to the ACA mission: *Empowering students to find their passion through collaboration, innovation, and exploration.*

### Est. 1997 **4. Appleton Central High School**

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Appleton Central High School (ACH) is an alternative school providing educational programming for students who are credit deficient and are better served in a small, flexible learning environment. Students are referred to ACH from their attendance area high schools and are generally 2<sup>nd</sup> semester sophomores or older. Classroom instruction in core subjects partnered with technology-based courses, work/volunteer experiences, counseling services and a healthy food nutrition program provide Central students with a well-rounded program geared toward graduation.

The GED Option #2 (GEDO #2) is a program within ACH. The program allows authorized school districts to use the GED test battery to measure proficiency in lieu of high school credit for students enrolled in an alternative education program. A student who passes the GED tests and completes the other requirements for graduation is entitled to the traditional high school diploma. Students are referred to the program from East, West, North, and ACH. The program serves older, significantly credit deficient students who are not likely to earn a diploma utilizing a credit attainment/recovery model.

Dan Spalding Academy (DSA) is a program within ACH serving high school students who have been withdrawn or expelled from their home school. Students gain credits toward graduation and work on their social-emotional-behavioral needs in an alternative school setting. School staff work closely with students, parents, community agencies and administrators to ensure that students successfully transition back to the school setting upon the completion of the expulsion or withdrawal expectations.

Community Learning Center (CLC) is a program within ACH serving students in grades 06-08 who have been withdrawn or expelled from their home school. The curriculum is primarily focused on mathematics, reading and writing. Science and social studies content is integrated into the communication arts coursework. Students participate in fitness activities, volunteering, and individual and group work with the school social worker and professional counselor. School staff work closely with students, parents, community agencies and administrators to ensure that students successfully transition back to the school setting upon the completion of the expulsion or withdrawal expectations.

To learn more, visit our website at [www.aasd.k12.wi.us/ACA](http://www.aasd.k12.wi.us/ACA).

Est. 2002

## 5. Appleton eSchool

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Appleton eSchool, an online charter high school, uses the potential that computers and the internet offer to extend educational opportunities for students and to further develop their capabilities as independent learners. Appleton eSchool uses new and emerging technologies, an engaging standards-driven curriculum, and experienced local teachers to provide highquality online high school course options for students in grades 07-12. Frequent student/teacher communication provides the level of support needed to meet the individual needs of the online learner. Whether a student is seeking to fit an extra course into his or her schedule, work on an online course on campus, or study entirely from home, online courses offer flexible learning opportunities not previously available. Special efforts are made to attract those students whose needs have not been met or are not currently being met for whatever reason in the traditional school environment.

Est. 2005

## 6. Appleton Public Montessori

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Appleton Public Montessori (APM) is a parent-initiated, community-supported charter school offering an authentic Montessori experience, incorporating:

- A prepared environment consisting of specific, hands-on, sequential materials and curricula created by trained Montessori educators.
- Multiage classrooms divided into three-year spans (representing grades K4-03 and 04-06) based on developmental windows, rather than single-year grade levels.
- A child-centered approach allowing each child to form his or her own instructional plans, to select work mastering concepts at his or her own pace, engaging children to be active participants in their own educational process fostering independence, self-confidence, and love of learning as well as academic progress.
- Active involvement of children, parents, and community members and organizations in learning opportunities.
- Integrated instruction in world languages, art, and music exposure.
- Outdoor classrooms/gardens designed and created with significant student participation.

Est. 2014

## 7. Appleton Technical Academy

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Appleton Technical Academy, in collaboration with Fox Valley Technical College (FVTC), has a vision of providing high school students with a jump-start toward successful and rewarding careers

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Grade Levels: 09-12

within the manufacturing and technology industries through a blend of hands-on learning and academics. By partnering with FVTC and local industry, we give our students the tools needed to gain the skills and experience required to help fill gaps in the local skilled workforce.

Est. 1999

## **8. Classical School**

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The framework for the Classical School curriculum is based on a traditional, classical structure. The curriculum provides rich and rigorous content that is based on a specific, solid, sequenced, and a shared body of knowledge. The curriculum covers a wide variety of subjects in world and American history, world and American geography, language arts, English, science, art, art history, music, and music history. Additionally, students study math, spelling, handwriting, physical education, and Spanish. Spanish is taught daily in every grade.

Est. 2006

## **9. Foster (Stephen) Elementary Charter School**

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Stephen Foster Elementary Charter School is a small urban school serving diverse and low-income students in KG through grade 06. The school is designed to empower students to become self-directed, life-long learners, and to assist parents to learn themselves while helping their children. Foster's major goal is differentiated instruction; the teacher meets the individual students where they are and moves them along according to their needs. Teachers meet with students for the purpose of setting individual performance goals and assessing progress toward their goals each quarter. Foster has developed and implemented a School Community Council consisting of parents, teachers, and community members, which oversees many aspects of the school 'community' such as discipline programs, student-led parent conferences, homework policies, family events to promote learning, and parent education courses.

Est. 2005

## **10. Fox River Academy**

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Grade Levels: 01-08

The integrated curriculum focused on the Fox River and its watershed, weekly outdoor experiences, and individualized instruction of the Fox River Academy can all be summed up in the school's motto, "Where Learning Comes Naturally."

The Fox River Academy is a multiage environmental "green school" located in the Appleton Area School District. The curriculum focuses on the environmental, historical, cultural, and economic importance of the Fox River. Through its unique curriculum and weekly outdoor field experiences, the Fox River Academy provides relevant instruction through hands-on, real-world experiences that lead to increased academic achievement and promote stewardship of the community and environment. The Fox River Academy follows the curriculum design work of educational researcher Grant Wiggins in his work *Understanding By Design*.

Est. 2007

## **11. Kaleidoscope Academy**

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Kaleidoscope Academy serves students in grades 06-08 incorporating instructional technology, employing interdisciplinary team teaching, and offering choices for each individual student in Fine Arts, World Languages, Technology Engineering, and Family and Consumer Education. Students at Kaleidoscope Academy have the opportunity for

increased fine arts study, technology engineering, family and consumer education, and world. Kaleidoscope Academy concentrates on using middle school best practices through the use of block scheduling and interdisciplinary teaming. Transitioning from elementary school is smoother as students work with teams of two teachers. Units of study are integrated through all subjects where appropriate. Technology is infused into the Kaleidoscope Academy approach to learning.

Est. 2000 **12. Odyssey-Magellan Charter School**

*Odyssey Elementary*  
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Odyssey-Magellan is a charter school for highly gifted students. Odyssey serves third through sixth grade students and is housed at Highlands Elementary School. Magellan serves seventh and eighth grade students and is housed at Wilson Middle School. Odyssey-Magellan strives to provide its students an in depth and complex curriculum in combination with fast-paced learning. The opportunity to study and learn with like-minded peers is both challenging and exhilarating for students.

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Odyssey-Magellan provides enriched and accelerated curriculum in math, communication arts, science, social studies, and French. Odyssey-Magellan students participate in art, music, physical education, and co-curricular activities offered at Highlands and Wilson. Odyssey-Magellan helps students attain the goal of becoming well-educated, self-confident, productive, lifelong learners.

Est. 2000 **13. Renaissance School for the Arts**

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The Renaissance School for the Arts (RSA) provides students in grades 09-12 with a learning atmosphere in which immersion in the arts is the norm. Student artists develop the skills and attitudes that contribute to artistic understanding and learning through the arts. This arts-oriented approach to curriculum delivery recognizes the uniqueness of the individual while promoting artistic and academic excellence. All courses are taught as college preparatory courses, with an option for the student who may not be collegebound. The delivery of the academic curriculum in the charter school environment of the RSA is grounded in a combination of elements from the one-room schoolhouse, block scheduling, and web-enhanced courses.

Est. 2002 **14. Tesla Engineering Charter School**

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Tesla Engineering Charter School has taken the first step toward providing a new approach to learning that emphasizes instruction and activities for students interested in preparing for careers in engineering and other technical fields while strengthening their academic achievement serving students in grades 09-12. The students of Tesla receive their education through online courses, independent and team research activities, youth options, guest and adjunct lecturers, the FIRST robotic competition (a national competition), and work-based learning, as well as traditional educational delivery. The primary educational focus is to use mechanical engineering and electrical engineering as the vehicles to integrate skills in reading, writing, public speaking, math, science, and technology. The knowledge and skills developed enable students of all levels to meet the challenges of state and local performance standards. Tesla creates learning opportunities and direct links to industry and postsecondary education. Students desiring to move directly into industry have the advantage of the established industry networking.

Est. 2003 **15. Valley New School**

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Valley New School (VNS) serves youth in grades 07-12 offering students an opportunity to learn in a student-driven, Project-Based environment. The focus of the student-driven, Project-Based curriculum is rooted in the concept that each person is his or her own best teacher. Students develop their own learning experiences based on their interests and passions.

As they plan their comprehensive research projects, students work with their parents and advisors to align their project goals with state and local academic standards. At the conclusion of each project, students present their findings and products to an evaluation team and earn credit (employing a nine-item rubric) based on the quality and breadth of their work. The educational goals at VNS are centered around the empowerment of the school community which includes students, school staff, parents, and community members.

Est. 2002 **16. Wisconsin Connections Academy**

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Grade Levels: KG-12

A leader in virtual education, Wisconsin Connections Academy (WCA) creates dynamic opportunities for learners to succeed. At the heart of WCA is a standards based curriculum. This comprehensive curriculum affords WCA students the ability to receive a quality education within an environment that is most conducive to their learning while parents enjoy a greater involvement in their children's educational life. It is delivered via the internet with online materials including lessons, textbooks, workbooks and other supplementary materials. Although students attend school from a variety of locations, WCA is committed to making each experience meaningful and successful in an environment that is most conducive to student learning. Therefore, each student works with Wisconsin licensed teachers and a learning coach (usually a parent). These individuals work together to combine the best in virtual education with very real connections among students, families, teachers, and community



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Est. 2015 **17. Ashland Charter High School**

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For students entering grades 09-12, Ashland Charter High School (ACHS) -- offers interdisciplinary seminars, career exploration workshops, field studies, and project learning in a multi-age learning environment. ACHS will enroll up to 45 students. Expansion is planned to add space for more students over the next two years.

Project-based learning gives students an opportunity to achieve academic learning standards with a distinctive hands-on approach. Projects take place in both the school and in the Ashland community – students learn together – and the faculty collaborates to implement an innovative curriculum.

Est. 2005 **18. Ashland Elementary Charter School**

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The Ashland Elementary Charter School will be located in the City of Ashland, Wisconsin, and will serve 100 students in grades 03-05. It will provide a community-centered, project-based learning curriculum and

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Grade Levels: 03-05

personalized learning within a multiage learning environment. Its purpose is to give parents and children a new and meaningful choice of educational options, and demonstrate innovative school improvement practices.

The needs and interests which will be served by this charter school include:

1. Providing rigorous and relevant curriculum that reflects advances in educational technology and skills needed in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century;
2. Providing new and innovative ways of learning and teaching that will benefit everyone, perhaps especially students who are not currently achieving at expected levels;
3. Providing an opportunity to close the achievement gap for underperforming and disengaged students; and
4. Providing an opportunity for teachers in the district to become leaders in the project based learning model, multiage classrooms, and teacher led schools.

Est. 2014 **19. Oredocker Project School**

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The Oredocker Project School (OPS) will provide a community-centered, project-based learning curriculum and personalized learning. OPS will serve 75 sixth through eighth grade students in the Ashland School District. Its purpose is to give parents and children a choice of middle schools, and demonstrate innovative school improvement practices. Additionally, it will provide a middle school option for students who have flourished in the Ashland Elementary Charter School and would like to continue learning in a project based school environment.

The needs and interests which will be served by this charter school include:

- Providing rigorous and relevant curriculum that reflects advances in educational technology and skills needed in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century.
- Providing new and innovative ways of learning and teaching that will benefit everyone, perhaps especially students who are not currently achieving at expected levels.
- Providing an opportunity to close the achievement gap for underperforming and disengaged students.
- Providing an opportunity for teachers in the district to become leaders in the project based learning model, multiage classrooms, and teacher led schools.
- Providing a project-based learning middle school for students that transition out of the Ashland Elementary Charter School which opened in 2013, and serves 100 students in grades 03-05.



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Est. 2013 **20. Wildlands Science Research Charter School**

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Grade Levels: 07-12

Wildlands Science Research Charter School provides students with the opportunity to learn in a Project-Based research atmosphere. It is a multigenerational community of learners focusing on locally relevant topics as vehicles for educational growth and achievement. The curriculum is constructive in its approach to learning and integrated with local science research and monitoring projects. They have facilities at their disposal including a new state-of-the-art science and computer lab, a mobile lab facility, a lake lab facility, and more than 700 acres of land

associated with Beaver Creek Reserve for field studies. The school is connected to an existing network of agencies, community groups, and businesses for support, mentoring, and resources. Along with Project-Based learning, students have an opportunity to grow academically through development assessment, personal learning plans, state standards integration, remediation opportunities, internships, work, and skill-based learning.



**Barron Area School  
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Est. 2011

## **21. Advanced Learning Academy of Wisconsin**

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Grade Levels: KG-12

Advanced Learning Academy of Wisconsin (ALAW) provides online coursework to students ages 5-18 seeking a customized learning experience that takes place outside the traditional classroom. Students may choose from an exclusively online model, or a blended model which may include a combination of online and on-site coursework. Students are eligible to participate in district-sponsored enrichment activities, field trips, goal setting conferences, and community opportunities.

Empowering students to learn and work at their own pace, ALAW also provides the flexibility of when and where to work on school. Students may choose from over 700 courses which fulfill state standards for core curriculum and electives. Coursework is tailored to the needs and interests of each individual. In line with the Barron Area School District's mission, ALAW is designed to help students reach their dreams and make a positive impact on the world.

Est. 2007

## **22. Barron Area Montessori School**

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Grade Levels: K3-04

The Barron Area Montessori School offers an innovative education design based on the principles of Maria Montessori. The school welcomes three through five year olds to the Children's House program, and six through ten year olds in the Elementary 1 program. Children exercise individual freedom to choose purposeful work, to physically move while learning, and to repeat a learning activity for as often and as long as the learner chooses. These three freedoms foster crucial developmental stages of learning. Montessori students explore and collect data in their own ways; the teacher's role is to prepare the environment, to observe when children are entering a new developmental stage, and to link them to purposeful activities that are responsive to their developmental needs.

The weekly learning schedule is organized according to Montessori principles that require students to have long, uninterrupted daily work periods. Curriculum includes practical life skills, sensorial aspects of the world, language development, mathematics, and culture. Each of these academic areas has been aligned with state standards.

The Barron Area Montessori School is dedicated to developing a collaborative Montessori community of educators, parents, and community members who educate themselves and others about the Montessori philosophy of education.



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Est. 2007

### 23. Roy Chapman Andrews Academy

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The vision for Roy Chapman Andrews Academy (RCAA) is to create an environment that will empower students in grades 06-12 to successfully achieve their educational goals, create an attainable vision for their future, and partner with the community to actualize their vision. Students are empowered by designing projects that demonstrate mastery of performance standards in math, science, social studies, and language arts as designated by the Wisconsin State Standards.

Students spend little time in an actual classroom, rather they, with the guidance of certified teachers, will create community projects that reflect mastery of the performance standards for Wisconsin while gaining academic credit for graduation. RCAA's curriculum is centered on pre-professional community partnerships which will have the structure of internships undertaken in cooperation with local, regional, and/or international entities, such as business, technical professions, media, health care providers, legal professionals, municipal, police and corrections, educational, and governmental and non-governmental agencies, etc.



**Birchwood School District**  
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Est. 2008

### 24. Birchwood Blue Hills Charter School

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The Birchwood Blue Hills Charter School (BBHCS) is Project-Based and designed for students in grades 07-12. BBHCS utilizes an individualized curriculum involving field experiences, seminars, mentorships, virtual courses, and other one-of-a-kind experiences and projects. All course work is validated through alignment to the Wisconsin Model Academic Standards and Common Core Standards with an emphasis placed on 21st Century Skills.

An open work space and low teacher-to-student ratio gives more opportunity to help foster and guide student creativity and individual growth. Focus lies in the ability of the student to ask pertinent questions and find the research and technology that provides the answers and solves problems. Students also use live resources in order to gain first-hand knowledge as well as valuable social engagement in a professional setting. Students create products that demonstrate their learning through flexible scheduling and encouragement of exploration and collaboration. More in-depth research enables them to move beyond writ memorization of facts into the realm of application, synthesis, and discovery. Mastery is shown at public Presentation Nights three to four times per school year and at finalization meetings for each project. The students reflect on the challenges and successes of each project, giving them the drive for self-improvement.

Est. 2012 **25. Birchwood Public Montessori Charter School**

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Birchwood Public Montessori is a child-focused environment built on the Montessori philosophy that understands, supports, and honors the child as an individual. We provide education to students in preschool through grade six in the Children’s House, Elementary One and Elementary Two environments. The Birchwood Public Montessori student will have an awareness of the world around them and their contribution to it. We partner with the family and the community to encourage students to become independent, lifelong learners.

Est. 2015 **26. Bobcat Virtual Academy**

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Grade Levels: KG-12

**Bobcat Virtual Academy (BVA)** is a unique virtual charter school that takes the best of virtual learning and combines it with the best of a small, quality school community.

BVA is for serious students who want to excel in school. It is unique because of its three components:

**FREEDOM** - Flexible internet options with Fuel education and KG-12 curriculum, “the new power for learning” leading the way with multiple KG-12 options.

**CONNECTIONS** - BVA students will experience a weekly Connections Day at Birchwood School. Students will connect with other BVA students. Mentoring help will be provided along with enrichment activities. Students may also register for some traditional classes and will have the option of participating in various school clubs and extra-curricular activities.

**ACCOUNTABILITY** - All Internet-based classes will be taught by Wisconsin certified teachers. Each student will also have a local Student Support Coach who will work to support successful learning.

**Who May Attend?**

BVA is open to any resident or non-resident students who wish to be involved in a uniquely challenging educational environment that allows Freedom in when, what and how learning takes place.

BVA’s emphasis on Connections allows for students to interact with other students and some regular school activities. To ensure high levels of success, Accountability will help students stay on track.

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Est. 2004 **27. School of Science, Engineering, & Technology**

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The vision of the School of Science, Engineering, and Technology (SoSET) is to provide equal opportunity for all children to be involved in an innovative approach to their own learning. Use of a multiage structure enhances learning opportunities for students of all ability levels. Students receive differentiated instruction in the core academic subject areas through a thematically-based curriculum, which is focused on science, engineering, and technology. Units emphasize interdisciplinary integration of subject matter, Problem-Based learning experiences, student-centered instruction, hands-on learning strategies, constructivist approaches, and self-directed learning. Assessment of learning is Project- and Performance-Based.

The school is designed to implement innovative methods essential to the development of the student’s intellectual, physical, emotional, and

social needs, while being sensitive to the unique qualities that each individual brings with her or him. Emphasis is on providing a sense of community by involving families and instilling in students a concern for others and the environment.



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Est. 2007

## 28. Promethean Charter School

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Grade Levels: 09-12

At Promethean Charter School, high school students become part of a learning community immersed in a high performance, technology enriched environment, distinctive for its individualized learning plans, rigorous Project-Based curriculum, and dynamic community-enhanced learning opportunities. A constructivist instruction model is used wherein the teacher/mentor acts as a facilitator as student's progress on their individual education plan. The instructional format emphasizes student-centered use of a variety of modern communication resources and devices. The goal of Promethean is to enable enrolled students to gain enhanced knowledge of the world, to improve their understanding of self and others aiming toward sound career foundations, and give them a real working knowledge and skill in the use of modern learning tools and resources.



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Est. 2010

## 29. Cameron Academy of Virtual Education

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The Cameron Academy of Virtual Education (CAVE) mission is to provide individualized learning options for students in grades KG-12. Teachers partner with parents to create personal learning plans for each student. Students show evidence of meeting academic standards through project-based and experiential learning as well as through more traditional routes via virtual course work and face to face seminars. CAVE partners with the Wisconsin ESchool Network and Project Foundry to provide learning options for students.

Est. 2001

## 30. North Star Academy

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North Star Academy enrolls at-risk students in grades 09-12 from the Barron, Cameron, Chetek-Weyerhaeuser, and Turtle Lake School Districts. As a charter school, North Star Academy serves students at-risk of not graduating in a highly flexible educational setting with a differentiated curriculum and student services that provide opportunities for students to integrate and apply knowledge and skills to the workplace and real-life situations.

The school's non-traditional schedule provided working teens, teen parents, and teens receiving day treatment and other support services with flexible options for completing academic course work. Students complete courses for credit in a variety of modes (face-to-face class instruction, online courses, independent study, on-site field experiences) and within flexible time frames. Both day school and night school options are available.



**Chequamegon  
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Est. 2007

### 31. Glidden Class ACT Charter School

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Glidden Class ACT Charter School is aimed at high school students who learn best through Project-Based learning, are self-disciplined, and desire to learn more about our global economy and the skills necessary to compete in the 21st century.

In the Glidden Class ACT Charter School, "A" stands for applied skills, "C" stands for career-focused, and "T" stands for technology enhanced. Working with the charter school staff, students develop a personalized learning plan that will prepare them for a successful post-secondary transition. Course work to satisfy the plan may include online classes, distance-learning classes, and local classes taught by Chequamegon teachers. The school's mission is to empower students to become independent learners in a technology-enhanced, self-directed, interdisciplinary curriculum emphasizing teamwork and self-determination. The Glidden Class ACT Charter School ensures that students become globally aware and able to effectively use information and communication technology to prepare for a career and meet the challenges of the 21st century.



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Est. 2011

### 32. Link2Learn Virtual Charter School

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The Link2Learn Virtual Charter is a non-instrumentality virtual charter school of the Chetek-Weyerhaeuser Area School District. Link2Learn serves students in grades K4-12. It exists for the purpose of preparing students for postsecondary success. This is done by offering an education tailored to fit the needs of each child. Link2Learn students are empowered to achieve their full potential through high-quality education comprised of: a rigorous curriculum, individualized support, and dedicated partnerships within a variety of learning environments. It is with parent involvement and the support of Link2Learn staff that this educational opportunity is able to maximize student learning. In addition, we partner with several vendors including the Wisconsin eSchool Network. At the elementary level, students are also provided with the opportunity to participate in live online courses taught by local staff members. We embrace innovative ideas, techniques, and technologies to ensure learner success.



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Est. 1997

### 33. Central City Cyberschool

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Grade Levels: K4-08

necessary to engage in critical thinking; and the ability to demonstrate complete mastery of the academic skills necessary for a successful future. This charter school serves students from Milwaukee's central city in a student-centered environment where teamwork is promoted and high expectations are held out for each student, teacher, parent, staff member, community member, and partner. The school is a real location, not a virtual place.

The curriculum is interdisciplinary and Project-Based, an integrated process that puts ideas in a real-life context and requires thinking across disciplines, with a rigorous academic foundation, a strong computer focus, and an emphasis on community building.

Est. 2002 **34. Darrell Lynn Hines (DLH) Academy**

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The Darrell L. Hines College Preparatory Academy of Excellence (DLH) is dedicated to providing students in grades K4-8 with the opportunity to take challenging courses in a small, collegial environment that supports high academic achievement and ambitious academic goals. Using the International Baccalaureate curriculum, DLH Academy students participate in a college preparatory curriculum that will allow them to attend Milwaukee's most competitive high schools.

The program of study provides students with three vital lessons: knowledge about the world in which they live, skills to operate in the world in which they live, and attitudes that will encourage them to be productive members of the world in which they live.

Est. 1999 **35. Downtown Montessori Academy**

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Grade Levels: K3-08

Downtown Montessori Academy (DMA) is a public charter school serving students in grades K3-08. We pride ourselves on our small class sizes and high staff and student retention rates. As a state certified Green School, we believe, as Maria Montessori said "The land is where our roots are. The children must be taught to feel and live in harmony with the Earth." Like the rest of us, children learn through trial, error and discovery. Children in a Montessori classroom are free to learn at their own pace, taking on new challenges when they are ready. Our mission at DMA is to create a Montessori environment where you child's early experiences with learning will help him or her to become a self-confident, competent, cooperative adult. We seek to provide a family-centered environment that enriches and nurtures the growth of the family and the child.

After the purchase and complete renovation of our main building last year, we were able to transform the school into a vibrant and welcoming space. This year we unveiled our new adolescent center for our 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade students, complete with computer lab, kitchen and student lounge.

Est. 2012 **36. Escuela Verde**

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Grade Levels: 07-12

Escuela Verde is a public charter school in Milwaukee chartered through the City of Milwaukee. We are a project-based, year-round, school with a focus on sustainability, social justice, and environmental justice. We have been open since September 2012, and are currently in our second year.

Escuela Verde embraces hope for a more sustainable and just community. We live our vision through:

- Graduating high school students prepared for post-secondary options;

- Providing advisors who enjoy and model learning and working with the Escuela Verde community;
- Engaging urban youth by adhering to a constructivist philosophy using a learner-centered project-based pedagogy;
- Collaborating with the community to create a strong sense of place and skills to flourish without harm.

Est. 2010 **37. King's Academy**

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Grade Levels: K4-08

The mission of King's Academy is to educate all children by promoting academic excellence with a curriculum that will motivate, educate, and elevate them to become productive citizens.

King's Academy's primary educational model is an integrated literacy program across the curriculum. Our integrated literacy program engages our students in learning tasks that involve higher order thinking skills across all content areas. Houghton Mifflin Harcourt is used as our core curriculum along with other supplementary materials. This program is aligned with the DPI's standards for curriculum as well as the state assessment. We have an extended 90 minute Literacy block, and a 45 minute Math block. This model is designed to help our students gain a deeper understanding of complex issues and problems, as well as an understanding that knowledge across disciplines is interrelated and interactive.

Est. 1999 **38. Milwaukee Academy of Science**

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Grade Levels: K4-12

The Milwaukee Academy of Science serves 1,000+ students in grades K4-11. The students come from all areas of Milwaukee, although the majority of students are residents of the central city. Approximately 95 percent are African American, 1 percent are Caucasian, and the remaining 4 percent are Hispanic, Asian American, and multiracial. Approximately 91 percent of students qualify for free or reduced meals. The school offers a longer school day and school year, as well as a strong technology focus. The curriculum covers five domains: humanities and the arts, mathematics and science, character and ethics, health and physical fitness, and practical arts and skills. At the Milwaukee Academy of Science, a special emphasis is placed on science through its unique partnership with the Milwaukee Science Education Consortium.

Est. 2011 **39. Milwaukee Collegiate Academy**

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Grade Levels: 09-12

Milwaukee Collegiate Academy is a Professional Learning Community that combines high academic standards, high character expectations, and an emphasis on giving back to the community. Milwaukee Collegiate Academy's founder and Board of Directors believe that preparation for college goes far beyond academics. Student leadership is cultivated through academic mastery, community-focused education and the fostering, of lifelong learning in any environment.

Students are part of a learning community that is kept intentionally small. With enrollment capped at just 200 students, class sizes are often as small as 10 to 15 students. Students receive the one-on-one and small group time that is necessary to help them grasp and apply challenging concepts in the classroom. They also receive assistance through individual assessments performed by staff, which highlights areas of strength or growth for each student.

All Milwaukee Collegiate Academy students receive college preparatory coursework and testing preparation beginning in the 9th grade. They also begin visiting college and university campuses as soon

as they enroll at Milwaukee Collegiate Academy. Milwaukee Collegiate Academy's mission is *to nurture scholars, capable of transforming their world, by sending them to and through college*, so every aspect of the school's curricula and planning process has this college-going cultural emphasis in mind.

Est. 2011 **40. Milwaukee Math and Science Academy**

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Grade Levels: K4-08

The mission of Milwaukee Math and Science Academy is to create a learning community in which:

- teachers, parents, and students work together to develop young people who are confident and achieve academic excellence in a powerful college prep curriculum;
- students do not question “whether” they will go to college, but instead ask “when” and “where”;
- students understand that with hard work, dreams are possible;
- students develop the skills in math, science, and technology necessary to become bold inquirers, analytical thinkers, and ethical leaders in the 21st century; and
- students are empowered to become productively engaged in the local community and broader society.

We create a school culture that is built on success, respect, and accountability. The founders of Milwaukee Math and Science Academy recognize that the success of students is dependent upon the school's ability to create a culture that fosters meaningful, sustained relationships between teachers, students, and parents and holds all stakeholders responsible for outcomes.

It is this culture that forms the foundation of our school. Milwaukee Math and Science Academy builds this culture from the point of first contact with families and throughout the students' academic experience.

Est. 2012 **41. North Point Lighthouse Charter**

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At North Point Lighthouse, we prepare our scholars through rigorous programs that provide them with a foundation that will allow them to succeed in and graduate from college. Our unique arts-infused curriculum, emphasis on social development and integration of diverse cultural opportunities augments learning and broadens horizons.

Est. 2013 **42. Rocketship Southside Community Prep**

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Rocketship Education is a network of public KG-05 charter schools serving primarily low-income students in neighborhoods where access to excellent schools is limited. Using a blend of traditional instruction, adaptive technology and targeted tutoring, we strive to meet the unique needs of each and every student, and believe that truly transformative schools do more than educate students; they empower teachers, engage parents, and inspire communities. The school serves approximately 500 students in grades K4-05 on Milwaukee's south side.



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Est. 2007

### 43. Discovery Charter School

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Discovery Charter School, in cooperation with parents and the community, will empower students to become healthy, high achieving, life-long learners through the exploration of science and technology. Discovery Charter is an instrumentality of the Columbus School District, and serves students in grades KG-03.

Discovery Charter School provides an experience-filled opportunity for children who have a natural interest (affinity) in science and nature. Engaging science topics pull all of the curricular areas together, helping children make sense of what they are learning. The excitement of learning and exploring inside engaging, technology-filled classrooms, tending the school gardens and greenhouse, getting out to explore the backyard, area farms, woodlands, prairies, and streams provides experiences that children will remember for a lifetime.



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### 44. Island City Academy

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The Island City Academy is a public charter school for grades 7-12 in the Cumberland School District. The Academy offers a project-based learning environment that uses a progression of learning environments to offer students independence, leadership opportunities and ownership of their learning.

The ICA middle school provides students an integrated project-based learning environment, which incorporates yearlong outdoor education while focusing on sustainability. Students learn the process of project development and management through thematic teacher guided units developed around Project Lead The Way and placed-based curriculum while provided individual choice in development of their projects. In addition students are given complete autonomy in their individual research projects focused on the students' interests. Students will also use ALEKS Math, an online and individualized math curriculum which allows students to work at their own pace and at their own skill level. Students practice public speaking by presenting projects to the public at least 3 times per year. Service learning opportunities are integrated into various projects during the year.

The ICA high school provides students a career and STEM (science, technology, engineering, and math) focus for learning. Students create a Personal Learning Plan that incorporates their career goals. Students then choose between the Stem Strand (SS) or the Individualized Career Strand (ICS). Students develop individualized projects related to their career interests that incorporate the Wisconsin State Standards in order to earn required credits. Individualized math is achieved through the use ALEKS Math, a self-paced math program. Public speaking opportunities are provided as student's present projects to the public at least 3 times per year. Student service learning is required for all students each year. Capstone projects highlight the achievements of students and are presented at the end of the senior year.

Est. 2011

## 45. Island City Virtual Academy

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The Island City Virtual Academy is an online virtual school (grades K4-12) operating in conjunction with the Cumberland School District. It is the mission of the Island City Virtual Academy to provide student access to a challenging, high-quality, standards-driven curriculum, in an environment that is self-paced and accommodating to students' varying physical locations, individualized plans, and time frames. Students engage in individualized instruction and programming using state-of-the-art technologies to gain the skills and knowledge necessary to succeed in the 21<sup>st</sup> century. Students can also participate in activities and services provided to the rest of the district's students. The Island City Virtual Academy offers a full spectrum of courses, allowing students to achieve all graduation requirements.



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## 46. D.C. Everest Idea School

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Grade Levels: 06-11

The Idea Charter School will foster individualized learning and promote the capacity of our students to collaborate in building a just and sustainable global community. We will do this by engaging in real-world learning; primarily through student driven Project-Based learning opportunities. We will use the rich natural and human resources available in the greater central Wisconsin area. Hallmarks of this learning community will be leadership, civic engagement, original research, responsible collaboration, and self-motivated learning all delivered within an atmosphere of caring, responsibility, and respect for the diversity of each learner.



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Est. 2015

## 47. De Soto Virtual School

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De Soto Virtual School offer students who reside in our district, along with families and students who open enroll to De Soto, greater flexibility in designing learning that is personalized to each individual's academic goals and learning outcome expectations. Parents and students may choose from traditional classroom experiences, blended education consisting of both online and on-site school classes, and home-based learning. Our accredited diverse courses offered within our De Soto Virtual School curriculum provides students with broad-based core classes and elective opportunities.

Our Educational Support Team collaborates with parents and students to design individualized learning plans for exceptional educational experiences leading to grade level promotion, high school graduation and success thereafter. Students and parents are supported by our curriculum Learning Coaches and Academic Advisors. De Soto Virtual School students and families also receive assistance from our Guidance Department in career and college counseling.



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The Denmark Community School is built on five pillars that drive the education of the diverse learners who attend. The pillars, developed by a multi-level, interdisciplinary design team, are wellness, nature/outdoor learning, technology/art design, Project-Based learning, and interdisciplinary learning. These pillars will frame the student-centered delivery of the standards-based curriculum.

Organized as a collaborative learning community, students work on both individual and group projects that focus on interdisciplinary standards. Students may also choose to participate in teacher led seminars to meet these standards. Communication, specifically effective and appropriate reading and writing, is stressed for every project, as we recognize that effective communication will be the key for success in our ever-changing global community. The overarching goal is to develop a passion for learning in our students, and foster a strong sense of community through relationship building.

Project-Based learning is learning that takes place in a real-world, authentic manner. Students go through an extended process of inquiry in response to a complex question, problem, or challenge, that reflects their unique interests, thus giving them “voice and choice” in their education. They make contact with industry experts from around the globe as they seek answers. A Project-Based learning classroom may seem chaotic at times, but this chaos reflects the real-world as students prepare for diverse careers in areas we can’t even imagine. In our school, time and space are much less confining for our students because we have created a learning environment based on flexibility and focused on reaching beyond the school walls. The delivery and design of the final product is very much driven by each student’s specific learning style.



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Est. 2002 **49. Chippewa Valley Montessori Charter School**

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The mission of the Chippewa Valley Montessori Charter School is to provide an opportunity for area elementary students to learn, using Montessori principles of education. The academic program of the school allows students to work at their own pace within a multiage setting. Children learn in a carefully created enriched environment. Students are encouraged to make decisions, solve problems, make appropriate choices, and manage their own time.

The Chippewa Valley Montessori Charter School has the following goals: to provide high-quality Montessori education to area students in grades K4-05, to provide an environment that combines freedom and responsibility and allows children a more active role in their own learning, to facilitate student exploration and creativity, to provide an opportunity for students to succeed and meet high standards of academic excellence, social awareness, moral development, and to develop independent learners with sound decision-making skills.

Est. 1996 **50. McKinley Charter School**

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The mission of the McKinley Charter School is to educate students for responsible behavior in their home, school, and community. The school meets students where they are and helps them move forward academically and behaviorally. The discipline model used is designed to foster self-control.

McKinley Charter School has five components. Each component serves a specific population and delivers a unique curriculum. Two components are located on-site. The Credit Component serves students in grades 06-12, and the Competency Component serves 17- to 20-year-old students. The third component is the Detention Center, located at the Eau Claire County Courthouse. This component provides educational services to students who are detained in the Northwest Regional Detention Center. The fourth component provides educational services to students under the age of 21 who have not completed a high school diploma and are housed in the Eau Claire County Jail. The fifth component is Homebound Services, provided to Eau Claire Area School District students who will be absent from school for 30 days or more.



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We are excited to welcome families to Elhorn *Options* Virtual Charter School! *Options* provide opportunities and possibilities to all students! This one- of- a-kind school is designed to provide students with flexibility to choose among diverse educational opportunities that will support academic achievement. *Options* will support students who are looking for an alternative approach to the traditional school model. Students are given more control to the learning process. Teachers plan fun, engaging, hands- on lessons to encourage a love of learning. Some students choose to learn completely from the comfort of their own home. Other families, travel over an hour to participate in our innovative wide variety of on-site blended learning classes. High school students can earn college credit.

Est. 2000 **52. Walworth Co Educ Consortium Alternative High**

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The Alternative High School (AHS) is a creation of the Walworth County Educational Consortium, a partnership of Gateway Technical College (GTC), Lakeland School, and Badger, Delavan-Darien, and Elkhorn Area School Districts. The school was established in August 1990 to serve the 11th and 12th grade students at risk of not graduating from the three local high schools. In August 1992, Williams Bay and Big Foot High Schools participated on a tuition basis and then joined the consortium in 1994. The AHS achieved charter school status in the summer of 2000. Our Governance Board is comprised of representatives from the five consortium high schools.

It is the mission of the Alternative High School to provide an environment, which promotes the academic, emotional, social, and vocational growth and development of those students whose needs are not being met by the traditional school setting. Our goals are to have

AHS students successfully complete a program leading to graduation, and a successful post-graduate career in one of four areas; college, vocational, military, or trades person. We shall accomplish these goals through innovative use of technology broad-based curricula, diverse teaching strategies, community involvement, and varied authentic assessment of progress and performance. It is also our goal to help our students live as productive, contributing members of society



**Fond du Lac School  
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CESA 06

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Est. 2012

### **53. Fond du Lac STEM Academy**

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Fond du Lac STEM Academy is a school which features student centered, Project-Based learning based upon science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM). Students in grades 03 through 05 will attend school in a separate facility where reading, language arts, and social studies are integrated into a Project-Based environment where science, math, and engineering are the basis of the program. The school will consist of approximately 100 students served by four to five teachers who have had advanced training in developmental mathematics, an activity based science program such as FOSS, and engineering principals. Students will work collaboratively in teams solving problems with an emphasis on what have been termed 21st Century Skills.

The Fond du Lac STEM Academy is the result of a partnership established between the Mercury Marine Corporation and the Fond du Lac School District. The Fond du Lac School District will benefit from the access to high-level technology based resources and the personnel from Mercury who can serve as role models and provide real world science and engineering applications.

Our goal is to encourage ingenuity and creativity using real-world, hands on experiences. All students will develop strong team skills including collaboration, critical thinking, and flexibility, along with individual skills of self-reflection, persistence, pride, and resiliency. These skill sets will create future, highly employable citizens, armed with the 21<sup>st</sup> Century tools necessary for local, national, and global marketplaces.

Est. 2013

### **54. Fond du Lac STEM Institute**

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The Fond du Lac STEM Institute will initially educate 100 students in grades 6 – 8, providing a differentiated learning experience that will allow all students the opportunity to explore personal values and aspirations. We will ensure that each student has a firm grasp of the project-based learning model, with a curricular focus on science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM). Building upon this foundation, we will bring the STEM curricula to life through community engagement. Middle-school students will investigate the societal impacts and contributions of STEM.

It is our vision that The Fond du Lac STEM Institute will shift the educational model so that the American spirit of innovation, collaboration, investigation, and leadership changes our world. Further, The Fond du Lac STEM Institute seeks to develop innovative, passionate learners by providing a rigorous and challenging project-based curriculum grounded in science, technology, engineering and mathematics. Our goal is to encourage ingenuity and creativity using

real-world, hands-on experiences. All students will develop strong team skills including collaboration, critical thinking, and flexibility, along with individual skills of self-reflection, persistence, pride, and resiliency. These skill sets will create future, highly-adept citizens, equipped with the 21st-century tools necessary for local, national, and global marketplaces.



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CESA 08

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Est. 2011

## **55. CRE8 Charter School**

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CRE8 is Gillett's School of Creative Thought, and is motivated by two primary concepts. The first is that creativity is vital to education and society. The second concept is that children learn from multiple modalities and that the arts can serve as a way to further that idea. The arts serve as a vehicle that can reinforce academic concepts, but also are enriched by being linked to areas of academic study. Linking areas of study helps to create opportunities for integrated teaching between academic areas and areas in the humanities. Art infusion within the classroom helps students to connect these areas intellectually, which not only gives them a greater depth of knowledge but also increases a student's motivation in their learning. Every child can learn and every child has talent which should be nurtured so that they can develop into self-directed, self-confident, and very self-aware learners. As a result of this, children generate a love for learning through their love for the arts; each is encouraged to be expressive and very self-disciplined.

The program utilizes technology aggressively in a hybrid learning environment. Technology engages students in exciting ways, these learning tools are interactive, monitor skill development, and adjust learning tasks to match each child's needs and interests. Everything from basic skills through advanced musical talent is being developed in modules that help students become better learners and artists. The hybrid model employed by CRE8 uses various approaches ranging from time spent with the teacher in large- or small-group settings, online and computer-enhanced instruction, and with performing and fine arts at every elementary grade level in infused lessons. The technologies enhancing education range from online and computer based learning modules, to iPads and laptops, to drawing Bamboo's, keyboards and other musical instruments.

Est. 2011

## **56. Gillett's Occupation and Leadership (GOAL) Academy Charter School**

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The focus of Gillett's Occupation and Leadership (GOAL) Academy Charter School is to guide students toward career readiness. The vision and mission of GOAL Academy adopts an underlying principal of student potential through an enriched course selection centered around hands on learning. GOAL's mission is to allow each and every student to reach their maximum potential through blended, virtual, and face to face instruction.

GOAL students assist in developing an enriched curriculum to match their own career pathways. Students are influential in deciding their career pathways and curriculum development. Courses are individualized to reflect each student's personal interests and unique capabilities, and include the Arts, Music, Agriculture, Criminal Forensics, Diesel

Mechanics, Small Engines, Aeronautics, and Business. The core STEM curriculum prepares students to perform to the best of their ability in science, technology, engineering, and math – fields from which 80% of the new careers will evolve in the next decade. All core courses are taught by highly qualified teachers utilizing technology. Instruction combines online and blended learning, fieldtrips, business-based off campus classes, and face-to-face instruction with a lot of personal and small group attention.



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CESA 11

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Est. 2000 **57. Transitional Skills Center**

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The Transitional Skills Center of Glenwood City is designed for students in grades 10-12 who have not found success in the regular high school. The center provides an environment that promotes academic, personal, and social skills; independent living; positive decision making; goal setting; career exploration; employability; and wellness for life to assist students in becoming self-sufficient, contributing members of society. The program components include a commitment to basic skill instruction for those students deficient in this area, independent study, and active parent involvement.



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CESA 11

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Est. 2007 **58. iForward – Wisconsin’s Online Charter School**

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Grade Levels: 06-12

iForward, Wisconsin’s Online Charter School is a totally non-profit public school. They are not affiliated with any “for-profit company”. Grantsburg has learned from experience how best to provide a system of optimal online education to students in Wisconsin. iForward’s provides interactive live classroom lessons with the best teachers in education. Their model of student to student interaction and sense of school belonging are second to none.

iForward students focus on courses and classes that lead towards careers in the medical field, finance, business, technology and manufacturing. They have formed partnerships with leading post-secondary institutions and offer dual credit and advanced placement courses. iForward utilizes these partnerships to prepare their students to attend vocational and technology schools, and college and university institutions..

In 2012-2013, iForward launched a new middle school for those students in the 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, and 8<sup>th</sup> grades. The middle school combined with the high school has a total school population of approximately 400 students. iForward has class homerooms, student council, and a national honors society. They also have clubs such as broadcasting, stock market, art, music, photography, and student leadership. iForward has a spring prom, attends a Brewer’s game occasionally, and has other face to face family social events that help connect students with each other. Most students will find iForward as a terrific school for their education and future success.



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Est. 2011

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John Dewey Academy of Learning (JDAL) provides students with a choice to immerse themselves in 21st Century Skills through Project-Based learning. JDAL is a collaborative, interdisciplinary, technology-rich learning environment. JDAL stresses community building, both at the school and in the Green Bay area. The student-centered approach and differentiated instruction relate learning to the real world, creating a climate of authentic learning. JDAL is dedicated to the mission of providing students with a rigorous Project-Based curriculum and a safe, caring community in which to learn. We do this by developing the whole person – academically, professionally, and personally. The final goal of JDAL is to assist students in reaching their full potential.



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Est. 2003

**60. Time 4 Learning Charter School**

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The mission of the Time 4 Learning Charter School is to provide an exemplary early intervention program for four year-old children in the Village of Greendale, with primary emphasis on reducing the achievement gap facing children from low socioeconomic status homes. The primary goal of the school is to provide children with early learning experiences that meet their unique developmental needs and promote growth in all areas: intellectual, social, emotional, and motor. The curriculum focuses on providing children with the language and literacy skills that are essential to future success in school through a variety of exploratory and play-based experiences that build strong literacy, language, and math skills as well as self-confidence and other school-readiness skills. In addition to a strong academic and social component for preschoolers, the Time 4 Learning Charter School provides a parent education component that recognizes the important role of parents in providing the foundation for their child's education.



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Est. 2013

**61. Hartland School of Fine Arts Leadership Academy,  
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HFALA is a KG-02 charter school serving 75 students located within the Hartland, WI community. It will immerse students in literacy through the integration of the arts and drama in a multi-age environment. It values strong community and relationships within and outside of its walls. Students and teachers will engage in joint exploration and build a community that embraces a passion for learning where students have the

opportunity to explore and expand their strengths, talents, and leadership skills.

HFALA integration is about uncovering the standards, exploring their mysteries, and engaging in the arts to create poetic and metaphoric expressions of those explorations. HFALA integration is activated around big ideas: challenging themes and interesting questions that bring content standards to life, that require critical thought and original research. Based on Tony Wagner's 21st Century Skills, HFALA will build a learning environment around:

- Inquiry, Critical Thinking and Problem Solving
- Leadership, Collaboration and Community
- Agility and Adaptability
- Initiative and Entrepreneurialism
- Effective Reading, Oral and Written Communication
- Accessing and Analyzing information
- Curiosity and Imagination



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Est. 2003

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Grade Levels: K4-12

The Hayward Center for Individualized Learning (HACIL) is a year-round charter school that serves students in grades K4-12. Wisconsin-certified teachers consult with families to develop an individualized educational plan incorporating goals to ensure students make satisfactory progress in meeting state and district standards and benchmarks. Instruction is multisite-based and may include instruction delivered at home and on-site, virtual classes, small-group enrichment, community based programs, traditional classroom instruction within the district, or a combination of programs. The HACIL plan is structured to incorporate the contributions of those who are willing to share their time, energy, and expertise in addressing the diverse gifts and needs of children.

Est. 2010

## **63. Northern Waters Environmental School**

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Grade Levels: 06-10

Northern Waters Environmental School (NWES) is designed to take students beyond the four walls of the classroom through projects that explore our community and natural environment. The school is open to grades 06-10.

NWES is a full-time school, where students learn all academic subjects - reading, mathematics, science, and social studies- integrated through hands-on projects and field-based inquiry.

Students will develop the 21st Century Skills needed to be successful beyond their school years: collaboration, communication, creativity, and critical thinking.

At NWES, we believe community partnerships are essential to the learning process.

NWES is a part of the Hayward School District who contracts with the Northern Waters Board of Directors, which is made up of community members and parents, to operate the school.



## Highland Community Schools

The heart of the Highland Community Schools tradition is that learning in school is also learning in the community. Each school – whether Highland Community Elementary School, Highland Community Middle School, or Highland Community High School – is dedicated to implementing an innovative place-based curriculum that values its small town roots while building the capacity in its students to be 21<sup>st</sup> Century learners and leaders. The spirit of Highland Community Schools is reflected in the young people, educators, parents, and grandparents of the Highland community which it serves. Woven into the culture of each school are the parents, grandparents, and community members who place confidence in this next generation. Together, these three distinctive schools work together to build a cohesive Highland Community Schools climate for life-long learning.

Finally, as a district, Highland originated the Rural Collaborative Initiative (RCI) in 2010, which brings Pre/K-12 rural educators together to sustain their rural schools. The school districts of Highland, Montello, Northwood, and this year Albany are dedicated to this mutual effort where targeted professional development collaboration and curriculum resource sharing benefit all four districts involved in the RCI.

### Est. 2012 **64. Highland Community Elementary School**

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Highland Community Elementary School implements a vibrant literacy program embedded in a positive school climate guided by responsive classroom tenets. A weekly hands-on science program with a field biologist connects the students with various important science and conservation concepts and activities. The Health and Wellness curriculum is an exciting new development with mileage club, cardiovascular exercise program, collaborative playground equipment and activities, and team teaching amongst teachers. Another innovation is the Writing Alive program (KG-8<sup>th</sup> grade) that unifies writing development across the grade levels and produces strong and effective writers. Finally, a distinctive school/community highlight is a strong afterschool and summer program that over 80% of Highland families participate in.

### Est. 2012 **65. Highland Community High School**

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Highland Community High School has developed interdisciplinary seminars and workshops where teachers team across disciplines to bring relevant and reliable learning in shorter time frames that complement HCHS semester-long courses. For instance, studying the Civil War with three teachers involves the history of the American conflict, the science of medical advances and disease control, and the American literature of the period all rolled into a unified seminar for four weeks. Another highlight is extensive Capstone learning for juniors and seniors, where students choose a topic of interest and work in-depth under the guidance of a mentoring faculty, select community members and experts.

### Est. 2010 **66. Highland Community Middle School**

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Highland Community Middle School is a statewide place-based leader with its rich field biology and hands-on science conservation program that engages 100 % of its students in many individual and group outdoor restoration projects. For instance, HCMS partners with a UW-Madison badger ecology graduate study, is designing a school rain garden, and is educating the community about student-planted prairie and lasagna gardens. Numerous place-based projects are highlighted in the following

video (<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WM72R11orTU>). A productive multi-age community collaborates on these projects and the various academic themes throughout the year. Another highlight is the HCMS oral history project that has conducted over 50 hour-long interviews of community members and created I-movies produced by the students and given to the interviewees and their families.



**Hortonville Area School District**  
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Est. 2011

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Fox West Academy is a middle level charter school serving students of the Hortonville Area School District and nearby districts in grades 06-08 (approximately 20 students per grade level). Integrated subject areas, flexible grouping, collaboration with other students, and Project-Based learning are integral components of Fox West Academy. The goal of Fox West Academy is to provide Hortonville area students with a learning option that unites learning in the classroom with experiences in surrounding communities in order to foster meaningful, personalized learning and provide students with opportunities to demonstrate the applications of academic content.

The mission of Fox West Academy, in partnership with the community, is to provide Project-Based learning opportunities that strengthen each individual learner's unique learning styles, intelligences, and interests.



**Janesville School District**  
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Est. 2007

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Grade Levels: 07-12

The mission of the ARISE Virtual Academy states, "The ARISE Virtual Academy's certified teaching and mentoring staff brings students, parents, and community together in a standards-based, contemporary learning environment. Students engage in individualized instruction and programming using state of the art technologies to gain the skills and knowledge necessary to succeed in the 21st century.

The ARISE Virtual Academy envisions a learning environment that expands the opportunities available for students whose needs can best be met with an online curriculum. By expanding student educational opportunities, we will: build learning communities through virtual connections, empower students to achieve new heights in education, and meet the needs of a diverse student population."

Est. 1998

### 69. Rock River Charter School

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Grade Levels: 06-12

The Rock River Charter School serves at-risk students in grades 06-12 who are not finding success in the traditional school setting. The school recognizes that not all students learn in the same way. Innovative curricula and delivery methods are used to reach all students.

There are four programs available. The Alternative-At-Risk Program serves students in grades 06-12 with an integrated hands-on curriculum. The School Age Parent Program provides an education to school-age

parents and pregnant teens. The E-Learning Program, a computer-assisted learning lab, assists 17-20 year-old students who need to earn ten or fewer credits to receive a high school diploma. The General Evaluation Diploma (GED) Option #2 Program works with students who have senior status but need more than ten credits to graduate and are able to complete and successfully test out of the program in two semesters in order to receive their high school diploma.

Est. 2014 **70. Rock University High School**

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Grade Levels: 10-12

Rock University High School (RUHS) prepares students in grades 10-12 for higher learning through the integration of science, technology, engineering, the humanities, social sciences, the arts, languages, mathematics, and global competencies. Personalized learning plans, inquiry-based learning, and flexible scheduling empowers our students to excellence.

Est. 2007 **71. TAGOS Leadership Academy**

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The TAGOS Leadership Academy provides innovative educational programming to meet the needs of students at risk of not achieving their fullest potential. The TAGOS Leadership Academy provides students the opportunities to learn and grow in a Project-Based school modeled, in part, after the EdVisions Model and be a part of a supportive and safe environment where individuality and community are instilled for lifelong success.

The TAGOS Leadership Academy aims at educating the “whole child” so that they may meet their fullest potential and become successful thinkers, learners, and leaders. Curriculum for the TAGOS Leadership Academy consists of student-driven Project-Based learning experiences along with a self-directed, computerized-accelerated math program. The TAGOS Academy provides a rigorous education in a unique format. The emphasis at the TAGOS Leadership Academy remains on student success. The TAGOS Leadership Academy builds a love for independent, life-long learning.



**Kaukauna Area  
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CESA 06

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Est. 2011 **72. New Directions Learning Community**

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New Directions Learning Community (NDLC) is a charter school serving approximately 175 students in grades KG-04 with the intent of expanding to grades K4-04 in the coming years. NDLC believes that literacy empowers people. Literacy – reading, writing, and speaking – is the backbone of our school because it allows people to have a voice and make informed decisions.

NDLC provides a workshop-based curriculum aligned to the Wisconsin Model Academic Standards and Common CORE Standards. The workshop approach is built on individualized instruction aimed at growing readers, writers, and problem solvers for the real world.

Key components of the workshop include explicit strategy instruction as well as choice in independent reading, writing, and mathematics. This structure also provides extended periods of time to engage authentic reading, writing, and mathematics. Inquiry Circles and hands-on learning are used to implement science and social studies standards.

Teachers at NDLC look at the strengths and needs of each learner to nudge each child forward. NDLC believes in growing student leaders through shared responsibility in the classroom both in environment and academics.

If you would like more information about our school visit our website at [www.ndlccharter.org](http://www.ndlccharter.org).

Est. 2011 **73. Park Community Charter School**

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The Park Community Charter School curriculum ties directly into our community. Students are invited and encouraged to take the learning that is taught within the classroom and bring it to the “outside world.” Community resources are invited into the school. Our two learning partners are Kaukauna Utilities and 1000 Islands Environmental Center. Our students utilize the facilities at these partners on a continual basis to bring our classroom experiences alive. We are the only elementary school in Wisconsin to utilize the NEED curriculum as the basis of our science program. NEED stands for National Energy Education Development project. More information can be found at [www.NEED.org](http://www.NEED.org).

We have the full cooperation of Kaukauna Utilities to help our students fully understand wind, hydro, solar, and fossil fuel technologies in relation to energy production. Our program is committed to helping our students understand the changes that have and will occur in our environment and community. Our partnership with the 1000 Island Environmental Center will help our students see changes in our local eco system as they visit the many trails and islands in their facility. We will also be placing a river table at the environmental center to help our students understand how natural and manmade events affect the river that is the heart of our community.

If you would like more information about our school visit our website at [www.pccscharter.org](http://www.pccscharter.org) or on Facebook.



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Est. 1997 **74. Brompton School**

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The Brompton School offers a challenging and inclusive academically-focused curriculum. The school’s program is based on the belief that a solid foundation in basic skills and content knowledge is the cornerstone of academic success, reading is the key to educational achievement, education should be a sequential process which builds upon previous knowledge and that structured learning experiences and development of study skills are essential.

The Brompton School maintains small class sizes, a challenging program, high expectations for student success and a high degree of parental involvement. It is the school’s philosophy that success earned through hard work will develop self-worth, confidence, and ensure future achievement; the success children achieve through their own efforts cultivates a desire to achieve greater success.

1. K4-08 school with a focus on Schoolwide Enrichment Model instead of traditional education. We use Renzulli Learning for Enrichment.
2. Brompton has a Governance Board with parents, teachers and community members serving.
3. Middle school students have a One-to-One Laptop Program

4. All students learn a world language through either Rosetta Stone or Tell Me More.

Est. 2000 **75. Dimensions of Learning Academy**

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The Dimensions of Learning Academy is a standards-based school of choice focusing on lifelong learning, serving students in grades K4-08 in Kenosha Unified School District No. 1. Two unique programs, Dimensions Extensions and Dimensions Connections, further define the school's organizational and management structures. The Dimensions Extensions program consists of extended before- and after-school programming for the Dimensions of Learning Academy.

Dimensions Connections organizes the parental involvement for the entire school program. The parental involvement for this school is organized as an integral part of the school's design. The goal is implementation of a curriculum based on integration of reasoning skills coupled with the targeting of student acquisition of academic as well as lifelong learning standards.

Est. 2007 **76. Harborside Academy**

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Harborside Academy is a 06-12 grade expeditionary learning charter school located in Kenosha Wisconsin. Harborside's school design combines rigorous academic content and real-world projects. Students participate in "learning expeditions" which involve in-depth study of engaging topics coupled with active teaching, fieldwork, and community service.

The school design focuses on teaching in an engaging way. Harborside has a rigorous curriculum and promotes high levels of student engagement through real-world learning focused on issues of concern to young people. The curriculum will have a strong fieldwork component. Students have the experience of authentic service to the community as an ethic that permeates the school community and as an important element of their academic work. Students also learn that values such as collaboration, perseverance, and craftsmanship are essential to the production of high-quality work. Staff emphasize post secondary preparation, professional quality student work, and engaging students through active pedagogy.

Est. 2006 **77. Kenosha eSchool**

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The Kenosha eSchool is a full-service online virtual school operating in conjunction with the Wisconsin eSchool Network, Inc. The Kenosha eSchool exists to meet students' needs by employing new and emerging technologies and providing access to a high-quality, standards-driven, common-assessments curriculum in an environment that is self-paced and accommodating to students' varying physical locations, individualized plans, and time frames. The Kenosha eSchool offers a full spectrum of courses, allowing students to achieve all grade level and graduation requirements.

Est. 2007 **78. Kenosha School of Technology Enhanced Curriculum (KTEC)**

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KTEC is a leader in innovative education, offering rigorous, STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Math) infused academics, producing caring, well-rounded 21st century citizens. The mission as a K4-08 school that engages all students in an innovative learning environment is

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to prepare students for success in a global society through academic excellence by the use of 21st Century skills and technology integration. KTEC offers its students a balanced education which is literacy focused and includes music, physical education, art and Spanish. KTEC uses unique programs, like Project Lead the Way (PLTW) and LEGO Robotics to meet Common Core State Standards and Next Generation Science Standards. They take traditional, existing curriculums for all subjects and infuse them in innovating ways to develop critical thinkers, technical readers and writers, and confident communicators, who use creativity and collaboration to solve problems.



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Est. 2014

### **79. High School of Health Sciences, The**

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The High School of Health Sciences (HS<sup>2</sup>) serves students in grades 09-12 and holds these educational beliefs:

1. Learning is contextual
2. Students will be empowered to be architects of their own learning
3. Students will make connections between learning and their future endeavors.
4. Student accomplishments are a result of both successes and failures
5. Learning is social, diverse, and collaborative
6. Authentic experiences help students understand their role in a global society
7. Teachers guide, facilitate, inspire, and coach

The High School of Health Sciences (HS<sup>2</sup>) cultivates authentic and personalized learning in a health career and research context. We inspire curiosity in a wide range of fields, study, and service by engaging problem-solvers in an interdisciplinary spectrum of opportunity. Students master a course of study that equips them for success in health care, research, and related fields. Through collaboration with the Medical College of Wisconsin, Aurora Health Care, and ProHealth Care, HS<sup>2</sup> offers students the opportunity to learn in an interdisciplinary manner while at an engaging environment. The models of learning within the high school are built with the educational philosophies of each facility in mind: “multifaceted learning modalities” of basic sciences, clinical experiences, scholarly concentrations, and individualized study time.

Est. 2013

### **80. KM Explore Elementary School**

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Serving students in grades K5-05, KM Explore is centered around a personalized learning pedagogy, infusing portfolios, learning plans and blended tools and into each child’s learning day. Classes in KM Explore are team taught and multiage, which allows teachers to work in a tight dual grade community, as well as provides opportunities to work with students across K5-05. KM Explore is focused on engaging learners through authentic learning experiences by empowering them to be self-motivated thinkers, creators, and collaborators. The school philosophy is grounded in five learning pillars:

1. Generative Curriculum
2. Multiage Learning

3. Collaborative Teaching
4. Placed-Based Learning
5. Habits of Mind

Est. 2011

## **81. KM Global Charter School for Leadership and Innovation**

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KM Global is a unique learning environment providing students with the tools and experiences to contribute innovative thought and solutions to complex global challenges, and to Know, Be, and Do the work of global leadership. KM Global incorporates a unique curriculum, assessment framework, and delivery model to build a comprehensive learning environment.

Key components include:

1. Knowing: Attainment of specific learning outcomes guided by rigorous core content standards.
2. Being: Development of dispositions that will foster responsibility for personal leadership.
3. Doing: Participation in learning through projects, internships, travel, and other relevant experiences.

The mission of KM Global High School for Global Leadership and Innovation is to cultivate a global perspective through academic excellence, active engagement, and development of leadership identity.

Est. 2011

## **82. School for Arts and Performance**

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The Kettle Moraine School for Arts and Performance (KM Perform) is a 09-12 school serving students with strong interests or ability in the arts. KM Perform students choose an area of focus on Art, Creative Writing, Drama or Music that serves as a focal point for the four year academic and arts curriculum. Through an Interdisciplinary Learning Collaborative model of learning, students work with content experts and guest artists to earn credit in a focused series of seminars and workshops. Students earn credit through achievement of learning targets and personalization of learning is encouraged by using artistic experiences.

KM Perform is designed to prepare creative and skilled students capable of meaningful creative and artistic experiences in relevant career paths. Perform students can expect to prepare for either a college arts program or any other rigorous academic program with an emphasis on creativity, collaboration, and innovation. English and history credit is achieved through humanities seminars exploring content in-depth while connecting the learning to one or more of the arts. Mathematics and science is delivered through KM Perform's Applied Mathematics and Design curriculum where students engage in 2D and 3D conceptualizations of science and math concepts. Electives, foreign languages, and physical education are also offered as part of the KM Perform school day. All KM Perform students engage in a two year capstone portfolio project.



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Est. 2015

### 83. i4Learning Community School

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The i4Learning Community School is a K4 through fifth grade multi-age learning environment consisting of two separate grade level cohorts, kindergarten through second grade and third through fifth grade. Each cohort has multiple teachers who are able to flexibly group the students throughout the day to best meet their learning needs. Four-year-old kindergarten is a stand alone class that meets Monday through Thursday in the mornings. Our students also participate in exploratory classes (Spanish, Physical Education, Music and Art) on a weekly basis.

In addition to the multi-age environment, the students engage in project based learning experiences. These collaborative projects revolve around specific themes and allow for more student voice and choice in the attainment of new learning. Often times the teachers will be learning alongside the students as they investigate an essential question and seek new knowledge according to his/her interest. Using diverse skills, researching, writing, interviewing, collaborating, calculating, and/or public speaking students produce an end project demonstrating their new knowledge.

Mission: i4Learning ignites a passion for lifelong learning through individualization, real-life exploration opportunities and 21st century thinking.

Vision: i4Learning will guide and grow life-long learners through an *individualized, innovative, integrated and inspiring* environment.

Visit our website [www.i4Learning.org](http://www.i4Learning.org) for more information



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Est. 2002

### 84. Kiel eSchool

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Kiel eSchool is an online school through which students in grades 07-12 access the district-approved internet courses with the assistance of online teachers as well as a licensed educator serving as a local mentor/teacher and personal/family coach. The school was designed to ensure the success of those students whose needs are not adequately met in the traditional classroom.

Kiel eSchool provides accelerated learning opportunities for high-achieving students, as well as the described nontraditional learners. Students “attend” classes on their home computers, in the home-base classroom located in the lower level of the Kiel Area District Office building, and in individual building libraries and technology centers. Students can participate in all activities and services provided to the rest of the district’s students. These support services include access to the guidance department, special education coordinator, and school-to-work coordinator, participation in extracurricular activities, and so on.



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Est. 1998

### **85. Coulee Montessori Charter School**

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Coulee Montessori welcomed its first classes in August 1998, as the first public Montessori school in western Wisconsin. When it began, there were two multiage classrooms; one containing five year olds and the other containing six-, seven-, and eight- year olds. Coulee Montessori now serves 160 students from preschool ages through eighth grade on two campus sites. The school has 2 Children's House classrooms consisting of preschool and kindergarten students; four Elementary One (E1) classrooms containing first, second, and third graders; 1.5 Elementary Two (E2) classrooms containing fourth and fifth graders; and an Adolescent classroom containing sixth, seventh, and eighth graders. Principals, teachers, and the school's governance board work diligently to guide the school toward achieving long-term goals and to financially support and promote the school. Coulee Montessori is an asset to the School District of La Crosse as a choice for families seeking other methodologies of instruction for their children which would not otherwise be available without cost.

Est. 2011

### **86. Design Institute**

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La Crosse Design Institute is a middle school charter school serving students in grades 06-08. The school is supported by teachers and administrators who have a strong background in Project-Based learning and a passion for design. The school is aligned with several community partners who are committed to providing hands-on learning opportunities for La Crosse Design Institute students.

The La Crosse Design Institute will teach students valuable 21st Century Skills including communication and presentation skills, organization and time management, research and inquiry skills, self assessment and reflection skills, and group participation and leadership skills. The school's Project-Based learning approach requires content mastery and critical thinking and incorporates essential project management skills valued by today's global industries.

Est. 2000

### **87. LaCrossroads Charter Schools (5)**

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On June 5, 2000, the La Crosse Board of Education granted charter school status to the La Crosse School District's LaCrossroads High School. The four charter school classrooms serve students in grades 09-12 who exhibit behaviors such as truancy, credit deficiency, poor academic performance, inappropriate classroom behavior, lack of workplace ethics, and have problems at home or in the community. The school positively modifies student conduct in the areas of attendance, behavior, and academic achievement by incorporating a one-room schoolhouse atmosphere, leadership training, real world academic application, immediate and concrete rewards, consequences for choices, academic credit for work experience, and individualized graduation plans.

Est. 1995

### **88. School of Technology & Arts I**

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The School of Technology and Arts I (SOTA I) opened its doors in August 1995 as an elementary school of choice. The SOTA I currently serves students in grades KG-05 whose families believe in the curriculum’s technology and arts emphasis. Roosevelt Elementary School houses the charter school and provides transportation, administrative resources, and food service. The SOTA I follows the district’s curricula, school calendar, testing programs, and is organized around five major constructs. These constructs include: multiage, nongraded, continuous-progress classrooms, assessment by performance, product, or demonstration, emphasis on the arts and technology, and joint staff parent school governance.

Est. 1997

### **89. School of Technology & Arts II**

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The School of Technology and Arts II (SOTA II) began operation in the fall of 1997 as a middle school choice in The School District of LaCrosse and currently serves students in grades 06-08. Lincoln Middle School houses this charter school as part of a family of three schools under one roof. The staff at SOTA I and SOTA II work closely to ensure continuity between the schools' programming. Studies show the active learning of an art form to increased student motivation and the ability to learn other skills such as reading, mathematics, and writing. SOTA II uses technology and arts integration as a focus for learning core subjects in thematic units of study. Unique to SOTA II is Integrated Performing Arts (IPA) as a daily experience for all students. This method of curriculum delivery takes into account individual student interests and skills and allows students multiple ways to show their learning. SOTA II extends the learning experience and emphasizes the power and importance of social and emotional learning, community building, and teamwork

Est. 2014

### **90. Seven Rivers Community Charter High School**

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Seven Rivers Community High School (7R) is a Project-Based Learning (PBL) environment. 7R provides a dynamic approach to learning in which students explore real-world problems and challenges. The PBL environment requires a structured process to build towards an authentic outcome. The PBL process fosters a hands-on, interest-based approach to developing skills, knowledge, and a passionate understanding, through intrinsic motivation; the PBL approach creates a deeper level of comprehension and a greater capacity for self-awareness in the learning process.



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Est. 2007

### **91. Health Care Academy**

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The primary focus of Ladysmith-Hawkins Health Care Academy (HCA) is to prepare students while still in high school for a variety of post-secondary options in the ever-growing healthcare industry. The HCA, has partnered with Wisconsin Indianhead Technical College and Chippewa Valley Technical College to define appropriate curricula in many healthcare fields, align that curricula to specific healthcare programs, and

create opportunities for students to earn dual credit through cooperative agreements. The HCA has also partnered with business and industry in the healthcare professions. These partnerships are a critical component in the dynamic, engaging, and relevant curriculum the HCA offers. It is the intention of the HCA to actively seek out and welcome additional business and industry partners in healthcare professions in the future.



**Little Chute Area  
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## Est. 2014 **92. Flex Academy**

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Flex Academy will serve fifty KG-08 students of the Little Chute Area School District through comprehensive interdisciplinary collaborative learning designed to address identified achievement gaps while developing 21st-Century skills. These two issues – demographically divided learning levels and contemporary global literacy and competency – have driven the development and design of Flex Academy as a student-centered learning forum that combines local, hands-on, individualized, and face-to-face experiences with virtual, technology-enhanced access to a wealth of complementary and contrasting global educational resources.

District WKCE data show a definite and persisting achievement gap between economically disadvantaged and non-economically disadvantaged students as they progress through the grades. Flex Academy will not try to close that gap by running under-achieving students through the same paces over and over again, year after year, expecting different results. Rather than addressing the symptoms (failure to meet the procedural expectations of the traditional educational system), Flex Academy will instead concentrate on developing the character and behavioral characteristics that enable students to achieve the desirable outcomes required by the rapidly changing situations they will encounter as they mature and enter the post-secondary world of education, training, career, civic responsibilities, and personal relationships. This will be accomplished through the Four Pillars of Flex Academy: Habits of Mind; Habits of Work; Habits of Wellness; and, Habits of Service. Students, parents, teachers, support professionals, and community stakeholders will collaborate to provide a Personalized Learning Plan for each student of Flex Academy. The charter school framework provides the flexibility to structure customized and responsive education for students in need of learning supports and resources unavailable to them in other learning and living environments.

## Est. 2011 **93. Little Chute Career Pathways Academy**

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The Little Chute Career Pathways Academy (LCCPA) mission is to engage students to be problem solvers and self-motivated adults with the communication skills and academic aptitude to succeed in their desired post-secondary career. Or goal is to provide high quality academic and career preparation. When our students graduate, we want them prepared to meet the demands that leaders in the academic and business worlds have identified as being crucial to success.

LCCPA's rigorous curriculum includes the equivalent of three credits of mathematics, three credits of science and four credits of English as

well as comprehensive coverage of social studies, 21st Century Skill Development, and foreign language. In addition to having access to our innovative core curriculum, LCCPA students also have the opportunity to participate in one of the most well-known and respected Engineering and Bio-Medical Sciences curricula in the country: **Project Lead The Way**.

Our coursework is enriched through partnerships and internships with local businesses, health care providers, local colleges and universities. Classroom work takes place in the school, out in the field, and in the world of a student's chosen career pathway. At the Academy a student's learning will be rooted in workshops, seminars, job shadowing, internships, and community initiatives. In the end, our ultimate goal at LCCPA is to meet the individual educational needs of our students in a way that is rigorous, relevant, and meaningful to their lives beyond LCCPA.



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Est. 2012 **94. Ouisconsing School of Collaboration**

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The Ouisconsing School of Collaboration (OSC) is named in part with the Algonquin word for the Wisconsin River, as translated by the early French explorers. The school rests near the modern day banks of this symbolic waterway that serves as evidence of the last glacial advance, as well as the first transportation routes. Ouisconsing (we-skon-sing) allowed the interaction of people, sharing of ideas and exploration during the past, and continues to do so in the present. The OSC is based on these same principles, while honoring the past and preparing for the future.

Beyond the symbolism, it is an elementary level charter school serving 88 students of the School District of Lodi in four multiage classrooms with students from grades 03-05. Students focus on the promotion of teamwork, leadership, and providing real-world solutions while practicing 21st Century Skills. The coursework is fully integrated into a Project-Based learning model, utilizing community and global partners, and technology as resources. Through collaboration with one another and the broader community, students realize the application of their understanding in a real-world context, leading to meaningful relationships, personalized instruction as well as high student achievement and motivation.

The intended outcomes of our model focus on allowing students to possess ownership of the learning community while establishing an environment of high expectations and rigorous coursework. We build proficiency in all Common Core Standards through the implementation of challenging, student selected, projects that capitalize on local and global resources, bringing together the broader community and the students of The OSC. Proficiency is also developed through individualized learning plans and small group instruction. Personal choice within course content reduces negative effects of a teacher-centered, or top-down, classroom. Student understanding of their learning styles, personal interests, and ability to meet a high level of expectation serve as guiding benchmarks of success.



Est. 1995 **95. Badger Rock Middle School (BRMS)**

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BRMS will serve students in grades 06-08, primarily from one of Madison's lowest income and underserved neighborhoods, where 76% of the students currently receive free/reduced hot lunch. In a neighborhood that is quickly approaching "at-risk" conditions, the school will help reengage disenfranchised youth through an inquiry-based curriculum emphasizing place-based education, relevant real world experiences, and a strong ethic of community involvement and collaboration. At BRMS students will explore issues of sustainability, local culture, interdependence, social justice, and global awareness. The school will combine the best features of traditional and innovative curricula, propelling students to think critically and strategically, solve problems creatively and collaboratively, and gain the knowledge and skills to become catalysts and change agents in their communities. In doing so, the school will meet and exceed all local and state academic standards and create a dynamic new model for holistic education based upon principles of sustainability that serve as a research and development laboratory for school districts throughout Wisconsin.

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The James C. Wright Middle School (Wright), named for one of Madison's civil rights pioneers, is a school of choice for students in grades 06-08. Wright's population is diverse: More than 80 percent of its students are from racial or ethnic minority groups, including African American, Hmong, and Hispanic. Approximately half of the students are economically disadvantaged, and just 45 percent live at home with both parents. In addition to regular education classes, Wright offers special programming for students with learning and emotional disabilities. With an ethnically and culturally diverse staff and innovative and flexible ways of teaching, the school provides its students with the knowledge, skills, and confidence required to participate fully in an evolving global society. School staff members accomplish this goal through three major themes: integrated curriculum, integrated technology, and integrated community.

Est. 2004 **97. Nuestro Mundo Community School**

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Grade Levels: KG-05

Nuestro Mundo Community School (NMCS) is the first public English/Spanish two-way immersion school in the Madison Metropolitan School District. The goals of NMCS are to help all students learn to think, speak, read, and write in both Spanish and English; excel academically; develop positive cross-cultural relationships; and promote participation in multicultural communities.

The school is open to English-dominant and Spanish-dominant speakers interested in this distinctive program. NMCS's curriculum is academically rigorous, community-based, child-centered, and multicultural. The curriculum and instructional strategies reflect students' developmental levels in both cognitive and linguistic areas. Specifically, teachers plan academic instruction in accordance with students' language proficiencies. In kindergarten thru second grade, students receive most of their instruction in Spanish. All students, regardless of their language

background, learn how to read and write first in Spanish, then in English. This early emphasis on Spanish instruction benefits both language groups. The proportion of English increases with each grade level.



**Manitowoc Public  
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CESA 07**

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• Manitowoc, WI 54221-1657

Est. 2007

### **98. Manitowoc County Comprehensive Charter School**

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Grade Levels: 01-08

The Manitowoc County Comprehensive Charter School (MCCCS) was established in response to the growing population of young children identified as having an emotional or behavioral disability with severe mental health issues. The MCCCS provides a cooperative, comprehensive, and seamless framework of resources that provides a safe, caring school community to meet the academic, therapeutic, social, and emotional needs of students in grades 01-08 with severe mental health issues. We utilize the Coordinated Services Team concept, which centers decision making in the family team, balancing and coordinating natural (informal) support people (relatives, friends, and neighbors) with formal service providers (therapists, teachers, and social workers).

Instruction is provided to MCCCS students using Cognitive Behavioral Therapy, a research-based psychological approach shown to be effective for a wide range of problems. Instruction and supportive services are provided by two full-time teachers, two paraprofessionals, and a number of collaborative partners including Holy Family Memorial Behavioral Health and Manitowoc County Department of Human Services. The school has a strong mental health component and provides an alternative to expensive residential treatment center placement.

Annual reports, board minutes, and other relevant information may be obtained by visiting: <http://www.manitowocpublicschools.com/webpages/mcccs/>

Est. 2007

### **99. McKinley Academy**

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McKinley Academy is an alternative 09-12 high school located in Manitowoc, Wisconsin. McKinley seeks to engage students who have struggled in traditional secondary school settings by providing authentic and intellectually challenging instruction within the context of a small, flexible, and relational learning environment.

Emphasis is placed on higher order thinking and application to the world beyond the classroom. In keeping with the idea of providing purposeful and relevant real world learning as well as developing students' character and resiliency, many of the courses offered at McKinley Academy feature a service learning component.

Career planning and employability skills receive heavy emphasis and students are encouraged to pursue some form of post-secondary education. During their junior and senior years, students have the opportunity to complete a significant amount of their education off-site in field settings. McKinley Academy seeks to create significant partnerships with local agencies and businesses, as well as give parents and students a strong voice in the school's development and operations.



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Est. 2011

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The Marathon Venture Academy (MVA) is an innovative “expeditionary learning” middle school whose mission is to challenge a diverse group of learners to communicate, investigate, and collaborate in authentic learning expeditions. Students are offered a relevant, community-oriented education that holds students accountable for high levels of achievement, while allowing them to learn in the more hands-on, Project-Based setting within a small public school environment. MVA’s expeditionary learning approach to learning is coupled with a deeply imbedded technology focus where all students utilize iPads for content area course work. Students use a variety of iPad applications daily for purposes of both enrichment and remediation. Students take part in innovative “learning expeditions” that integrate all traditionally taught subjects, such as English/Language Arts, Science, Math, Social Studies, Fine Arts, and more into a theme and Project-Based framework that culminates in the presentations of student work at the end of each 11 – 12 week period. In this unique and personalized setting, students promote their personal “best” work, and learn the importance of civic responsibility and life-long learning.



**Marshall School  
District**  
CESA 02

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Est. 1998

### **101. Marshall Charter School**

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Grade Levels: 10-12

The Marshall Charter School serves at-risk students in grades 10 and 12. The charter school engages at-risk students who have been distracted from their education by outside events and nontraditional learners who were just "lost in the crowd" and not performing to full potential. The typical candidate is credit-deficient, has a history of truancy, or has demonstrated disruptive behaviors in the regular high school setting. However, these students are capable learners with unique talents and skills, fully capable of learning and becoming positive contributors to society. By being in the program, these students demonstrate a desire to complete high school and a willingness to try new approaches to achieve that goal. Education and employment are important to the Marshall Charter School student.



**Mauston School  
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CESA 05

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Est. 2011

### **102. iLEAD Charter School**

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iLEAD Charter School is an individualized school that develops leadership and entrepreneurship through academic discovery. We believe that when given the right opportunity, students do amazing things. iLEAD Charter will cultivate the entrepreneurial spirit as stated by the

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Grade Levels: 07-12

Wisconsin Vision for Entrepreneurship, "...the entrepreneurial spirit is at the heart of a society that moves forward and adapts to changing economic, technological, and social challenges."

iLEAD Charter will encourage and empower students to follow their passions, get involved in their community and learn real world skills. Students at iLEAD learn all core areas of the curriculum, but they learn it in new and exciting ways. Through Project-Based learning and innovation, students are engaged - focusing on their individual strengths, growth targets, plans, and goals. The community is our classroom, students work in and with our community to solve real world problems. iLEAD allows students to *own* their learning - helping them become the leaders and entrepreneurs of tomorrow.

Est. 2015

### 103. Mauston Montessori Charter School

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Grade Levels: K4-02

Mauston Montessori Charter School incorporates 21<sup>st</sup> Century Learning Skills. This quality school of choice within the District will offer individualized learning plans that will connect its students to the essence of the community through a Montessori based instructional model. Montessori education recognizes that children learn in different ways and accommodates all learning styles. Given the freedom and support to question, to probe deeply, and to make connections, Montessori students are able to think critically, work collaboratively, and act boldly. This Montessori school would be a feeder school into our 07-12 iLEAD Charter School which empowers its students to be agents of innovation by cultivating their entrepreneurial spirit and leadership capacity.



**McFarland School  
District**  
CESA 02

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Est. 2014

### 104. Wisconsin Virtual Academy (WIVA High School)

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*Wisconsin Virtual Academy established two schools starting in 2014-15 school year: WIVA High School and WIVA KG-08.*

The Wisconsin Virtual Academy (WIVA) is a Non Instrumentality virtual charter school authorized by the McFarland School District and chartered by Four Lakes Education, Inc. We offer students throughout the state of Wisconsin equitable access to an individualized, rigorous instructional program delivered via the Internet based K<sup>12</sup><sup>®</sup> curriculum, physical instructional materials and via online instruction provided by Highly Qualified, Wisconsin Certificated teachers. WIVA serves students in grades KG-12 from more than 300 school districts in Wisconsin.

WIVA's program combines high expectations, large group, small group and individual standards based and assessment driven instructional support in both synchronous virtual or recorded settings and substantial involvement from parents or other primary adults in order to meet the individual learning needs of all students. The K<sup>12</sup><sup>®</sup> curriculum is a comprehensive, state and common core standards-aligned, research and performance-based curriculum that includes six core subjects (language arts/English, mathematics, science, history, art, and music). The education program also addresses social and character development.

WIVA high school features increased independence in the student's daily work, and one-on-one accountability with teaching staff assigned by course. Grading scales move from mastery based to the letter grades; making transcripts meaningful for our college-bound graduates.

Our WIVA high school model is more pace structured, featuring increased independence in the student's daily work, and one-on-one accountability with the teaching staff. Grading scales move from mastery to the more accepted practice of letter grades, making their transcripts more meaningful for our college-bound graduates.

Est. 2014 **105. Wisconsin Virtual Academy (WIVA KG-08)**

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Grade Levels: KG-08

*Wisconsin Virtual Academy (WIVA) established two schools starting in 2014-15: WIVA High School and WIVA KG-08. See above the description of WIVA.*

Throughout our KG-08 course offerings there are certain recurring themes that build on the previous grade's teaching that results in an ever increasing depth of knowledge. Our mastery based approach means your child can progress at a rate appropriate to their individual academic needs, and with more than 700 lessons per subject, students can engage in coursework reflective of their areas of interest.



**Medford Area  
Public Schools**  
CESA 10

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Est. 2005 **106. Rural Virtual Academy**

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Grade Levels: K4-10

It is the mission of the Rural Virtual Academy (RVA) to provide students access to challenging, high-quality, standard-driven curricula, in a flexible home environment. The RVA focuses on providing families with children in grades K4-09 individualized programming options that are supported by public school teachers and resources. The RVA's self-paced instructional programming offers both remediation and acceleration options as well as social outings. The RVA brings together a family-centered, personalized, public education option with the availability of traditional school programming, events, and organization.



**Merrill Area Public  
Schools**  
CESA 09

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Est. 2012 **107. Bridges Virtual School**

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Grade Levels: K4-12

The Bridges Virtual Academy (BVA) is a public charter school of the Merrill Area Public Schools, providing educational services in a non-traditional setting using a custom curriculum that fits the unique needs of each particular student. The BVA purpose is to provide resources, instruction, and instructional support to students providing the flexibility and customization that allows them to have an enriching and fulfilling academic experience. The licensed teaching staff and support staff of the BVA will work with families to assist students in achieving their maximum academic growth in all required areas throughout the school year.

Est. 2012 **108. Maple Grove School**

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The Maple Grove School is an innovative Expeditionary Learning rural elementary school whose mission is to develop the whole child through

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Grade Levels: KG-05

the provision of exploratory experiences where students will engage in hands on approach in project development through cultural connections to our traditions, opportunities and our greater community. Students are offered a community-oriented education to honor and sustain their proud history and traditions through educational excellence by holding students accountable for high levels of achievement, while allowing them to learn in the more hands-on, Project Based setting within a small rural public elementary school environment. Maple Grove School's Expeditionary Learning approach will be coupled with technology where all students will have access to more technology for content area course work. In addition, students take part in innovative "learning expeditions" that integrate traditionally taught subjects, such as English/Language Arts, Science, Math, Social Studies, Fine Arts, and more into a theme and Project-Based framework which culminates in presentations of student work at the end of each expedition. These presentations include a "celebration of learning" for students where parents and community can be involved. In our unique and personalized setting, students promote their personal "best" work, and learn the importance of civic responsibility and life-long learning.

Est. 2007

### 109. Merrill Adult Diploma Academy

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Grade Levels: 12-12+

The Merrill Adult Diploma Academy educates 18-20 year-old high school dropouts. Students may work with a teacher in small groups to meet common goals, independently online, online with teacher-led peer groups, or in a more traditional manner with textbooks and workbooks. In addition to academic work in the core areas of English, mathematics, science and the social studies, students will receive small group instruction in various life skill areas including work readiness, technology, and AODA issues. A lead teacher/coordinator works with each student on an individual basis to develop an Individual Learning Plan that outlines the course of study needed to graduate. In addition to academic studies, students will also complete a work-based component to help establish strong work skills and will be involved in a volunteer community service project.



**Middleton-Cross  
Plains School  
District**  
CESA 02

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Est. 2010

### 110. 21st Century eSchool

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21st Century eSchool is a blended, digital learning option for Wisconsin students who are looking for an alternative to the traditional classroom environment. Our program offers:

- The opportunity for full-time students to participate in classes such as art, music, and physical education offered in the traditional Middleton-Cross Plains Area schools. Plus, extracurricular clubs and sports are available.
- Flexible, blended, and interactive online classes that fit your schedule.
- One-on-one attention from local and state-certified teachers.
- Tuition-free education - available at no cost to the Wisconsin students (for District residents and non-district approved through open enrollment).
- A combination of online and offline coursework - including an array of textbooks, videos, and hands-on materials.

- Individualized learning - high-quality, personalized instruction provided by highly qualified teachers.

21st Century eSchool is a proud partner of the Wisconsin eSchool Network and Wisconsin Digital Learning Collaborative.

Est. 2012

### **111. Clark Street Community School**

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Clark Street Community School is a place and project based democratic school in the Middleton - Cross Plains Area School District. CSCS was founded and is supported by local educators, community members, students and families who are interested educational innovation. CSCS strives for meaningful engagement in learning for all through personalization of education, community-based learning opportunities and democratic participation in school decision making by all stakeholders. CSCS is open to ninth through twelfth graders and enrolls approximately 120 students.



**Milwaukee Public School**  
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Est. 2004

### **112. Academia de Lenguaje y Bellas Artes (ALBA)**

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Grade Levels: K3-05

ALBA School is proud to be a Bright Spot in Hispanic Education by the White House Initiative on Educational Excellence for Hispanics. The school was created in 2004 in response to the increasing Hispanic population on the near south side of Milwaukee. Parents, community members and teachers with strong beliefs in bilingual education and the fine arts joined together to create ALBA.

The mission of ALBA School is founded on the conviction that bilingual students can reach their full potential academically, in English and Spanish, when challenged through a rigorous curriculum that develops critical thinking, problem solving, and creativity through the integration of the fine arts. Students develop self-confidence and self-worth as their Hispanic cultural identity is both recognized and valued through the curriculum. Parents are vital partners in this mission.

The school serves 450 regular and exceptional education students from three year old Head Start kindergarten through the fifth grade. ALBA's student achievement rates have earned the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction's School of Recognition Award for closing the achievement gap.

In addition the quality educational program and environment at ALBA has been named a Wisconsin DPI School of Recognition for closing the achievement gap. In addition the high quality educational program has been awarded Merits of Distinction for PBIS, RtI Math and RtI Reading in 2014-2015. As the ALBA School learning environment fosters Hispanic cultural identity and appreciation through strong parental support and community involvement. Students are preparing to be accomplished bilingual and bicultural problem solving leaders in a global society. Students utilize their cultural, linguistic, artistic and creative talents to be successful in their learning, higher education and throughout their lives.

Est. 2005

### **113. Alliance School of Milwaukee, The**

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The Alliance School of Milwaukee is a year-round high school that serves the needs of students in grades 09-12 who are not succeeding in the traditional high school environment due to harassment, intimidation, physical abuse, or emotional abuse. The school's primary purpose is to be a safe place where students are treated fairly at all times regardless of sexual identity, appearance, ability, or beliefs. The Alliance School's philosophy starts with the assertion that students must first have their basic safety and security needs met before they can focus on pursuing educational objectives. Academic excellence and the pursuit of higher education are expectations for all students at the school.

The Alliance School uses connections with community agencies to provide a strong network of supportive services for students. The school works closely with the Milwaukee Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Community Center, the Milwaukee Counseling Center, Pathfinders, Walker's Point Youth and Family Center, and various other social service agencies in the city to provide counseling and other services to youth. All students participate in community service placements, and there is a strong focus on changing the attitudes and systems that drove them from the traditional high school settings, through performances, speeches, and other activities that connect them to the community in advocacy work.

The curriculum uses a combination of service learning and expeditionary learning practices, which involve students in community improvement projects and personal growth activities.

Est. 2011

### **114. Business & Economics Academy of Milwaukee (BEAM)**

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Grade Levels: K4-08

BEAM offers a complete academic program in Reading, Writing/Language Arts, Mathematics, Social Science, and Science while also providing Business and Economics education that is integrated into the academic program for grades K4-06, plus specialized Business and Economics (B&E) course content added for 7th and 8th grades. In addition to helping students achieve academic success, there is a great need to help students build a foundation for life-long success in managing their money responsibly. BEAM is the first K4-08 school in Milwaukee and Wisconsin to specialize in teaching its students and their parents how to become financially successful. BEAM features an innovative business and economics curriculum, a full-time business and economics curriculum coordinator, and after-school activities that enhance learning.

Est. 2007

### **115. Carmen High School of Science and Technology**

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Grade Levels: 09-12

Carmen High School of Science and Technology (Carmen HS) is a small (240 students) college preparatory high school with a rigorous liberal arts curriculum that emphasizes science. Students must take four full years of each of the following subjects: English, laboratory science, social studies/history, and mathematics (Algebra 1 and above). In addition, students take three years of Spanish or Spanish for Native Speakers and at least one full year of Fine Arts. Courses in engineering and Advanced Placement subjects are also offered and enrollment is not restricted. The curriculum also uses the Eight Abilities (21<sup>st</sup> Century Skills) originally developed for college students by Alverno College. Students in grades 10-12 who maintain cumulative GPAs of 2.5 or higher are allowed to participate in a special program through which they intern one full day per week at local corporations or nonprofit organizations. Funds are

raised from corporate sponsors and private donors to support college scholarships for students who participate in the internship program. Each student works with his or her academic advisor to create an Individual Learning Plan in which academic, personal/life, and financial SMART goals are set and plans and schedules for achieving them are made. After school and summer academic enrichment and support programs, including a mandatory 8<sup>th</sup> grade to high school summer bridge program, are offered to meet the needs of all students. Carmen HS students also participate in WIAA varsity athletic programs and a variety of clubs. Students also participate in service learning and are required to complete 20 hours of community service each year.

Est. 2013

### **116. Carmen Middle/High School of Science and Technology, Northwest Campus School**

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Grade Levels: 06-12

Carmen Middle/High School of Science and Technology, Northwest Campus, is a college preparatory secondary school with a rigorous liberal arts curriculum that emphasizes science and engineering and requires students to master 21<sup>st</sup> century skills by the time of graduation. The emphasis on science in the curriculum responds to community calls for greater numbers of scientists *and* the need for all students to develop scientific “habits of mind” such as communication, problem solving, and analysis.

The educational program is designed to meet the highest academic standards for middle and high school students and professional standards for teachers and administrators. Middle school students take a core curriculum that focuses on reading, writing, and speaking skills; global studies and U.S. History; laboratory science; mathematics through Algebra; and fine arts. High school students must take, at a minimum, four years each of college preparatory history/social studies, mathematics (Algebra through at least Pre-calculus), laboratory science, and five years of English, three years Spanish, and at least two semesters of fine arts or performing arts. Courses in engineering and Advanced Placement subjects are also offered and enrollment is not restricted. The curriculum also uses the Eight Abilities (21st Century Skills) originally developed for college students by Alverno College. Each student has a challenging Individual Learning Plan that documents his or her academic, financial, personal career goals, and plans. Carmen is a member of the Wisconsin Interscholastic Athletic Association (WIAA) and offers varsity level sports in volleyball, soccer, cross country, wrestling, track and field and baseball, with more teams to be added over the next several years. Students are expected to participate in academic enrichment and support programs offered after school and during the summer to meet their academic needs and interests. Additionally, all students are expected to participate in at least 20 hours of community service annually.

Est. 2004

### **117. Community High School**

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Grade Levels: 09-12

The Community High School (CHS) provides students with an atmosphere that is inextricably interwoven into the social fabric of its surrounding community. With the help of the community, local universities, and businesses, the school provides a curriculum that is academically rigorous and conducive to intellectual risk taking. CHS offers an inquiry-based curriculum.

Students who wish to attend CHS wish to answer society’s most complicated and often difficult questions through the exploratory process of developing a stance on a topic, researching supporting evidence, understanding and addressing multiple perspectives on the issue, and presenting their positions in a well thought out and coherent fashion. This

practice is cross-curricular and pervades the culture of the school. CHS is innovative in its mission to transform the surrounding community and will help students to develop a well-informed and proactive voice.

Est. 1996 **118. Highland Community School**

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Highland Community School is a neighborhood-based, parent-run, early-childhood Montessori school. The mission of Highland Community School is to provide quality Montessori education and a nurturing environment for economically and culturally diverse groups of children and their families on Milwaukee's west side; to empower parents to become responsible for and involved with their children's education; and to be a force for change in education, the community, and society. The educational program is based on the child's inborn desire to learn and is specifically designed to complement the natural interests and strengths unique to each stage of his or her development.

The school is parent-run, which creates a nurturing environment for children and adults and empowers parents to become responsible for and involved in their children's education. Highland is a community-based school, providing support and stability for the entire family and the surrounding community.

Est. 2004 **119. Hmong American Peace Academy (HAPA)**

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The Hmong American Peace Academy (HAPA) is the first Hmong Charter School in Wisconsin. The goal for HAPA is to enable all students to meet or exceed state and local student performance standards. The Academy believes that all children can learn and that failure is not an option. HAPA believes that parents are valuable partners in the Academy's mission. HAPA strongly believes that it is only through the partnership of school, family, and community that the children can truly make both academic and social gains.

HAPA's educational programs are centered on three main components: Standards-Based Academics, Cultural Strengths, and Peace Education. To this end, each of these areas plays an important role in a comprehensive education plan designed to be integral in the academic, psychosocial, and civic development of its students.

Est. 2005 **120. Honey Creek Continuous Progress School**

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Grade Levels: K4-05

Honey Creek Continuous Progress (CP) Elementary School currently serves students ages 4-11, in early childhood K4 through 5th grade. Honey Creek's mission is an unswerving and uncompromising commitment to educating all students for success in higher education, careers, and responsible citizenship so that is the first choice for families.

Honey Creek's continuous progress educational program includes: ungraded, multiage classrooms designed to provide challenges based on individual needs and on continuous progress for students in both general and special education in inclusive settings; the implementation of research-based, structured curricular designs that have been proven highly effective in improving student achievement and thus fostering positive self-esteem; and the creation of a triad between the home, school, and community, which cultivates strong school-to-home connections.

Est. 2001 **121. I.D.E.A.L. Charter School**

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I.D.E.A.L. (Individualized Developmental Educational Approaches to Learning) Charter School is an instrumentality charter with a diverse K3-8th grade student population. Flexible groupings, a child-centered curriculum, integration of subject matter, active learning, and exploration are the cornerstones of I.D.E.A.L.'s educational plan. I.D.E.A.L. offers real-life educational experiences, extended day programs, and recreational opportunities to students and their families through collaboration with community businesses and agencies.

I.D.E.A.L. is built around five important constructs: multiage, inclusive classrooms; a shared-governance model; active engagement in meaningful learning; assessment by performance, product, and demonstration; and community involvement. Through charter status, I.D.E.A.L. can meet these constructs in creative and flexible ways.

Est. 2011 **122. Kathryn T. Daniels University Preparatory Academy**

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At the Kathryn T. Daniels University Preparatory Academy at least four research-based support systems for students, teachers, and the school will be in place. The four support systems are: 1) challenging standards-based curriculum delivery; 2) continuous data-driven assessment of student performance; 3) continuous job-embedded instructional coaching for teachers; and 4) a continuous, comprehensive formative, and summative program evaluation model for 'blueprinting' and replicating the Academy schooling approach.

The Academy expects to attract students who are intensely drawn to the performing arts and students and parents who are looking for an academically rigorous school environment. Additionally, the option for having a boarding school experience may attract students who would like a pre-collegiate dormitory environment. A nine-month public residential high school is an unusual option that will afford students who choose to live on the expansive grounds an opportunity to experience a pre-collegiate living and learning experience.

Est. 2003 **123. La Causa Charter School**

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La Causa Charter School is a neighborhood school in a predominately Hispanic community. Although the school serves a diverse population, including African American, Caucasian, and other cultures, the majority of students come from homes in which English is not the native language. At La Causa, the student's native language is cherished, valued, and used as students are provided with an excellent multilingual and multicultural education.

La Causa has expanded support services for students with the addition of two Bilingual/English as a Second Language (ESL) teachers, one social worker and two counselors. Many parents attend classes such as GED, ESL, computer technology, and adult basic education, which are also offered at La Causa. Continuous effort is made to involve parents in their children's learning at home, and the school provides many programs to assist parents.

Est. 2011 **124. Milwaukee College Prep – 38th Street Campus**

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Milwaukee College Prep's newest campus got off to a fantastic start in 2011-12. There was incredible buy-in from parents, as evidenced by the results of our parent climate surveys, excellent academic growth by the

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Grade Levels: K4-05

scholars as measured by the Measures of Academic Growth tests, daily attendance rates above 95% and phenomenal teaching by a very dedicated staff. Living by the philosophy of “work hard, play hard”, all of the sweat and smiles at the 38<sup>th</sup> Street Campus resulted in a great inaugural year.

Est. 2011

### **125. Milwaukee College Prep – Lloyd Street**

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Milwaukee College Prep's second campus continued the remarkable turnaround begun in the Fall of 2010 when it took over a charter school that was closed for having the lowest WKCE scores in the state. In just 14 months since that takeover, WKCE advanced/proficiency scores jumped from the mid 20's in Reading and mid teens in Math to over 50% in both subjects for grades 03-08 combined. Equally impressive is the dramatic change in culture in the school to an on task and very positive environment. The community took notice as enrollment increased by more than 25% for the fall of 2012, and there are now lengthy waiting lists waiting for the next admissions lottery.

Est. 2010

### **126. Milwaukee Community Cyber (MC<sup>2</sup>) High School**

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Opened in 2010, Milwaukee Community Cyber (MC<sup>2</sup>) High School serves 110 students in grades 9-12. MC<sup>2</sup> is chartered through the Milwaukee Public Schools and operates under the auspices of Seeds of Health, Inc. MC<sup>2</sup> is the first blended learning high school in the City of Milwaukee. MC<sup>2</sup>'s unique approach to learning blends direct teacher instruction with technology allowing students to fully master the content and skills they need. Students alternate between engaging directly with teachers, working collaboratively with peers, and focusing on online lessons tailed to their learning pace and progress. This new blended approach to learning increases student engagement in the classroom and improves student-teacher interaction.

The focus of MC<sup>2</sup> High School is to differentiate instruction based on the abilities, learning styles and interests of students using technology to instruct, support assess, engage, motivate and reconnect students to their learning experiences.

Student growth is measured through the Measures of Academic Progress (MAP) assessment, teacher designed assessments, and state defined assessments.

MC<sup>2</sup> High School aims to serve those students who are seeking a unique educational model focused on individual academic needs and learning styles, provided in a safe and supportive small school environment.

Est. 2013

### **127. Milwaukee Environmental Sciences**

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Milwaukee Environmental Sciences is an environmental education charter school. We serve 150 students in grades K4-05. We partner with Expeditionary Learning (EL), design Learning Expeditions (projects) that are engaging and challenging for students. Students at EL schools conduct hands-on learning with local experts and scientists, create quality, meaningful work that prepares them for college/career success and share their work with parents and the community through Learning Celebrations. Milwaukee Environmental Sciences provides a learning environment where every child has a clear expectation, is recognized for performance, and learns character traits such as Craftsmanship, Grit, Integrity, Respect, Leadership, and Stewardship.

Est. 2005 **128. Next Door Charter School**

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Next Door Charter School (NDCS) provides high-quality four- and five-year old kindergarten programming. NDCS specifically addresses school readiness and the achievement gap of four- through five-year olds by providing a holistic environment, family-focused advocacy, and a challenging, developmentally appropriate, and culturally and linguistically responsive curriculum. In addition to the teaching staff, the program has a team of Family Advocates. These social service support workers address the individual and collective needs of children and their families as well as support the teaching staff through building and modeling collaborative relationships across program lines.

Est. 2014 **129. Northwest Opportunities Vocational Academy (NOVA Tech)**

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NOVA Tech provides educational opportunities and develops career pathways for high school students interested in STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) and technical fields. NOVA Tech will prepare students in grades 09-12 for post-secondary education programs – four-year, two-year, or certificate programs – by using innovative learning models (project-based learning, blended learning, and flipping the classroom) and exposure to technical and STEM careers.

It happens inside the classroom, but part of the instruction is delivered online through specialized programs that allow the student to learn at their own pace and path. Teacher instruction and peer collaboration are combined with computer activities. Students in "blended" environments take tests and are assessed on how much they have learned. The key is the "personalized" nature of learning: that technology makes it possible for students who either learn differently or have different interests to encounter material presented in a way that is engaging and meaningful to them.

Students will graduate ready for post-secondary education programs, or entering the workforce with the necessary skills and/or certifications. They will be prepared to be active citizens and have options to decide their future.

Est. 2013 **130. Universal Academy for the College Bound**

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Grade Levels: 06-12

The Universal Education mission is to provide unparalleled rich and high-quality education for every scholar and to prepare them for college, technical school and entrepreneurship leading to sustainable careers in the 21<sup>st</sup> century. We seek to build altruistic alumni who contribute to the transformation of their communities as future leaders and positive members of society. The Universal Academy for the College Bound offers a unique educational opportunity in a free public charter school! The Universal Education experience builds future leaders and positive members of society through a character-based approach to education. We offer small class sizes and a diverse learning environment.

Est. 2001 **131. Whittier Elementary School**

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Whittier Elementary Charter School serves 210 students in three-year old kindergarten through grade five. Whittier is known for its high student achievement and was recently named a Blue Ribbon School by the U.S. Department of Education. Whittier features a multi-faceted approach to learning where character education is an integral part of the school climate and is integrated within each classroom. Parents are actively involved at Whittier. Parent volunteers are seen in the hallways daily, the School Governing Body meets regularly, and the Parent/Teacher Organization presents high interest monthly meetings for parents. Whittier also offers many sports coached by Whittier parents through the Milwaukee Public Schools recreation department.



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Est. 2012 **132. Creative Minds Charter School**

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Creative Minds Charter School is an innovative learning environment for the school district of Minocqua-Hazelhurst-Lake Tomahawk (MHLT) that will include: a rich generative curriculum with 21st Century Skills as essential outcomes, multi-age peers, brain based learning, technology integration, and a strong culture that promotes connections from student to student, team to team, and school to school.

Creative Minds implements 'learning platforms' that are the building blocks of its innovative curriculum. Utilizing a brain based philosophy, students and educators will explore, engage, define, and subsequently internalize 21st Century Skills that will anchor creative and design-based learning. Moreover, the culture of Creative Minds is anchored by the Conscious Discipline program which integrates social-emotional learning and discipline.

As a charter school, Creative Minds will be an autonomous school providing a distinctive choice of excellent elementary education for MHLT area families and will complement that education by providing students a choice for in-depth, multi-age study. An independent Governing Council of community leaders, professionals, parents, business innovators, and educators will lead Creative Minds. Creative Minds believes that all students are to be educated to the highest standards— and that this fundamental outcome will be fully realized as students are engaged in the creative and design life of the school and see the connections between learning and the larger world.

Est. 2010 **133. Woodland Progressive School for 21<sup>st</sup> Century Citizens**

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The Woodland Progressive School for 21<sup>st</sup> Century Citizens imagines fundamentally new learning outcomes for its students; 21<sup>st</sup> Century literacy in a locally-based global learning initiative. A cohort of middle school students builds a constructivist, multiage learning community. Active across disciplines; connected through projects and seminars with students in multiple countries, Woodland Progressive School for 21<sup>st</sup> Century Citizens is an innovative, ground-breaking charter that reinvents learning opportunities for middle school students in a small town setting. Woodland's core curriculum revolves around project and Place Based learning which allows students to learn in an authentic real world manner that is child centered.



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Est. 2010

### **134. Monona Grove Liberal Arts Charter School for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century**

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Monona Grove Liberal Arts Charter School for the 21st century (MG21) is a public charter school for students in grades 10 - 12. Our mission is to provide a student centered educational community for independent learners which is designed to give students the skills to walk their path in life. MG21’s curriculum has a focus on collaboration and critical thinking skills as centerpieces of the curriculum. MG21 encourages students to “take control of their education” and is based on the following principles:

Project-Based Learning: an inquiry based learning process in which students design, plan, investigate, research and present their own projects in response to an essential question, problem, or challenge.

Integrated Liberal Arts Curriculum: “Liberal Arts” refers to our academic classes which are teacher led, and emphasize content knowledge and expertise in the core subjects of language arts, art, mathematics, social science, science in a thematically integrated manner.

21<sup>st</sup> Century Skills: The overall goal is to tie the student’s path and education to their ability to master the 21st Century Skills of: Critical Thinking and Problem Solving, Collaboration, Communication, Curiosity and Imagination, and Commitment and Motivation.

Accountability and Excellence: The MG21 educational process is a three-fold process which is based on expanding a student’s KNOWLEDGE BASE, deepening their UNDERSTANDING and challenging them to MAKE MEANING by applying their knowledge and understanding to their own lives and encouraging them to take responsibility for their education and their choices.

Community: MG21 is a community for all who attend. MG21’s success is based on its ability to develop meaningful relationships: teacher to student, and student to student.



**Montello School  
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CESA 05

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Est. 2012

### **135. Forest Lane Community School**

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Forest Lane Community School (FLCS) will provide the students of the Montello School District, ages 4-12, a 21<sup>st</sup> Century place-based curriculum that personalizes for each student the rigorous academic requirements of the Wisconsin model of academic standards. Forest Lane Community School will utilize a blend of school redesign initiatives with a unified faculty to build an innovative elementary learning community. Six design pillars will guide the faculty in this endeavor:

1. Personalized Learning Plans/Goal Setting.
2. Place based/Community learning.
3. Growing Healthy Futures.
4. Neuro-Science Learning.
5. Creative Use of Technology.
6. School Climate.

Governance and parental involvement will round out the highlights of this charter school. A unique collaborative governing council will attend to the operations of the FLCS. Parents and community members, along with educators, will utilize democratic decision-making and deliberative consultation to guide this council as it leads the school in its constructivist, community-benefiting mission.

Est. 2010 **136. High Marq Environmental Charter School**

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Grade Levels: 07-12

High Marq Environmental Charter School (HMECS) provides students of the Montello School District in grades 07-12 with a self-directed, environmental, Project-Based curriculum that satisfies the rigorous academic requirements of the Wisconsin Model Academic Standards. This charter school offers an innovative, environmentally conscious choice for students to become part of a learning community that exemplifies the best in new technologies, community partnerships, and entrepreneurial development of life-long skills. Weekly field excursions aid in connecting the classroom with the outdoors, and teacher-led seminars cover other relevant topics.

Est. 2013 **137. Montello Junior/Senior High School**

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Montello Jr/Sr High School will provide the students of the Montello School District (ages 13-21) a rigorous 21<sup>st</sup> Century, place-based curriculum that personalizes the academic requirements of the WI Model of Academic Standards for each and every student. To accomplish this task, a unified faculty will combine an integrated curriculum redesign based on Career Clusters with three innovative initiatives:

1. Place-based/Community Learning
2. Personal Learning Plans
3. Student Leadership

Governance and parental involvement will round out the highlights of this charter school. A unique collaborative governing council will attend to the operations of the Montello Jr/Sr High School. Parents and community members, along with educators, will utilize democratic decision-making and deliberative consultation to guide this council as it leads the school in its constructivist, community-benefiting mission.

Est. 2014 **138. Montello Virtual Charter School**

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Montello Virtual School offers a unique and flexible, educational approach to earning school credit using computer-based courses, correspondence, and experiential credit based options. Our school serves grades three through twelve and may operate year round. We continue to provide choices to all families who wish to take advantage of our offerings.



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Est. 2004 **139. Eagleville Elementary Charter School**

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The Eagleville Elementary Charter School is a grades 01-06 charter school conversion in the Mukwonago Area School District and is located in a rural setting. Eagleville Elementary School has been in existence

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Grade Levels: 01-06

since 1849, when it began as a small country schoolhouse, much like those that were common in Wisconsin at the turn of the last century.

Eagleville School is unique in its long historical commitment to academic excellence and close ties to the community. Its essence is the family-like extension of the home. Eagleville Elementary Charter School offers a richness of educational opportunities that can best be found in a small, rural setting and takes full advantage of the unique natural surroundings, which include the Mukwonago River, Jericho Creek, Eagle Spring Lake, wooded areas, wetlands, and natural prairie.



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Est. 2004 **140. Alliance Charter Elementary**

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Alliance Charter Elementary is a KG-05 charter school with six multiage classrooms. (One kindergarten that is a stand alone, three grades 01-03 multi-age classrooms, and two grades 04-05 multi-age classrooms.) Alliance has a current enrollment of approximately 130 students and is an instrumentality of the Neenah Joint School District. Alliance's mission is to provide an active, multi-age learning environment utilizing the best practices of Montessori learning along with piano keyboarding. This unique environment develops resourceful, responsible, global citizens who can successfully meet life's challenges. Parents are actively involved in volunteering in and outside of the classroom and provide leadership on the site advisory council. The teachers at Alliance have received extensive training in the Montessori philosophy. Alliance provides a unique, innovative choice in public education in the Fox Valley.



**Nekoosa School  
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Est. 2014 **141. Central Wisconsin STEM Academy**

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The Central Wisconsin STEM Academy (CWSA) is a project-based STEM school for grades 04-08. CWSA is striving to provide students with individual and group learning opportunities in the STEM field that include, but not limited to, field experiences and mentors within STEM careers. CWSA utilizes project outlines from the Buck Institute, Project Lead the Way, and partnerships with other project-based schools for exciting projects that embed student ownership and promote student engagement. CWSA values the social and academic curriculum and helps students grow in all areas of learning through differentiated projects and instruction.

Est. 2008 **142. Njikuusra Community School**

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Njikuusra Community School is a 05-08 charter school. It is a partnership between the School District of Nekoosa and Ho-Chunk Nation. Our purpose is to provide students with the language, culture and history of the Ho-Chunk Nation through an integrated project-based learning format.



**New Lisbon School District**  
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Est. 1999

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The Juneau County Charter School is a collaboration of Juneau County Schools, consisting of the Mauston, Wonewoc, Necedah, and New Lisbon school districts. This project was initiated as a local attempt to provide educational opportunities to disengaged students of Juneau County in grades 07-12. The school focuses on service learning, career exploration, basic academic competencies, confronting individual barriers, and family involvement.

Desired outcomes of the Juneau County Charter School include decreased student community problems through courts, law enforcement, and social services involvement; completion of an educational program or successful transition to post-secondary programming or employment; and reintegration of this population into a traditional, vocational, or educational program.



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Est. 2014

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Catalyst Academy will provide a caring non-traditional learning community which offers opportunities for students to become productive and responsible lifelong learners.

- Provide a safe, nurturing environment grounded in personal choice and a sense of belonging.
- Engage students in the achievement process and develop life long learners.
- Serve diverse student needs as well as the families and communities from which they come.
- Deliver an innovative, relevant, and challenging curriculum.
- Implement Personalized Growth Plans tailored to students' individual needs to ensure college and career readiness.
- Sustain community and family partnerships to facilitate support for students throughout the learning process.

Est. 2013

**145. Next Generation Academy**

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The Next Generation Academy is a blended learning academy that offers the best elements of online and face-to-face learning. Personalization is the key in Next Generation Academy. Each student is given an advisor who helps them to develop a Personalized Learning Plan that is based upon the belief that students should have input into their learning. How the curriculum is delivered is different for each student based upon his/her Personalized Learning Plan.

Core academic subjects are provided both face-to-face and online. The combination of an online curriculum with instruction in the face-to-face setting provides for one-to-one instruction. Students are also able to complete projects for credit and work with a learning coach to complete projects that result in tangible real-life products tied to areas which

students are interested in. Thus, students at Next Generation Academy are able to experience the technologically enhanced possibilities of an online environment along with the socialization opportunities of the traditional classroom.

The Next Generation Academy also provides students with opportunities to hear presentations given by respected experts in a variety of fields through monthly seminars. Team building exercises are provided, as well, to foster a sense of community in the Next Generation Academy. Students have a voice in the day-to-day operations of the schools and design their workday so that individual learning goals are met. They are allowed to work in an environment that is designed to emulate the modern day workplace.



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#### Est. 2007 **146. NR4Kids Charter School**

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The NR4Kids Charter School provides access to quality, developmentally appropriate early learning opportunities for all interested four-year olds through community and family partnerships. Children with disabilities are served in an inclusive learning environment per Individualized Education Program (IEP) determination with itinerant speech and language, OT/PT, and small group tutorial services being provided at multiple sites. The School District of New Richmond increased guidance counselor and health aide staffing to provide additional support services for the NR4Kids Charter School.

The NR4Kids Charter School is committed to providing an early learning program which includes:

- Community-based partnerships and collaboration.
- A consistent core program of high quality learning experiences at a variety of educational sites in the community.
- A nurturing environment that provides opportunities for meaningful relationships with both children and adults.
- A child-centered philosophy in which children's interest and curiosity will play an active role in instructional planning.
- Curriculum that reflects and honors the diversity within children, families, and the community.
- Developmentally appropriate curriculum which provides a rich variety of experiences.
- Child-initiated and play-based learning.
- Families' opportunity to choose from varied program options.
- Expectations for the success and growth of each child in social-emotional, cognitive, and interpersonal behaviors.

The NR4Kids Charter School offers monthly parent education workshops, multiple opportunities for families to participate in frequent family activities and volunteer opportunities, as well as a parent resource center at each site. The parent outreach component and focus on social-emotional learning of our school is enhanced by the inclusion of a guidance counselor position specifically for NR4Kids.



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### **147. Wisconsin Virtual Learning**

Wisconsin Virtual Learning (WVL), a charter school of the Northern Ozaukee School District, is Wisconsin's premier K4-12<sup>th</sup> grade online school with a mission to provide each student with an individualized, effective, and high-tech education. Our student-centered approach allows our school to mold to fit the needs of each individual student. When a child enrolls, they meet with one of our student learning advocates to determine which courses, curriculum, and pathway will best match their needs. The student is then able to complete their coursework wherever there is internet access, with the support of our teachers, student learning advocates, and the child's parent or learning coach. Our teachers combine interactive, online classes, and support with standards-based online and offline curriculum. WVL serves students from across the state of Wisconsin; our current population of students come from over 150 different Wisconsin school districts.



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### **148. Northland Pines Montessori Learning Center**

The Northland Pines Montessori Learning Center currently enrolls 48 students K4 through 3rd grade but have plans to expand to 5th grade in the next few years. Northland Pines Montessori Learning Center's (NPMLC) approach to education is rooted in Montessori methodology. It is characterized by an emphasis on independence, freedom within limits, and respect for a child's natural psychological, physical and social development. At NPMLC students learn to be critical thinkers, work collaboratively, and take ownership of their learning. Students are placed in a multi-age learning environment in which students have the opportunity to learn from mentors and become leaders. The hands on approach to learning emphasizes teaching students concrete concepts before moving onto abstract ideas and often engages students in their learning through play. Every child essentially has his/her own learning plan that the teacher utilizes to facilitate students' learning journey. The Northland Pines Montessori Learning Center is dedicated to helping each student reach his/her greatest potential through an individualized learning experience that instills a love for learning so students will move on to be lifelong learners.

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### **149. School of Options and Applied Research High School**

School of Options and Applied Research High School (SOAR HS) is a project based charter school serving students in grades 08-12. Located in Eagle River Wisconsin SOAR HS is part of the Northland Pines School District. SOAR HS's philosophy and practice emphasizes 21<sup>st</sup> Century Skills, service learning, career & life skills, and conservation. Students will use PBL as their main way of gaining knowledge and skill blended with an occasional traditional class at Northland Pines High School,

online or through a college. SOAR HS will use days for job shadowing, field studies, and onsite project work to enhance their learning. SOAR HS will allow students to use their time during the school year and summer to work ahead and complete their high school career on an accelerated schedule. SOAR HS students will take the skills they gain use them to pursue and excel in both professional and personal goals post high school.

Est. 2013

### **150. School of Options and Applied Research Middle School**

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School of Options and Applied Research Middle School (SOAR MS) is a project based multiage charter school serving students in grades 0508. Located in Land O' Lakes, Wisconsin, SOAR MS, is part of the Northland Pines School District. SOAR MS's philosophy and practice emphasize 21st Century Skills, service learning, conservation, and community partnerships. "Outside the Walls Learning" is another important component of SOAR MS's mission. With this in mind students attend school Monday through Thursday, and use Friday to work on projects outside of the school and build community partnerships either with their projects or through their service learning commitment. Our location also makes the natural environment a wonderful classroom and learning opportunity.



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Est. 2011

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North Star Community Charter School is located in Minong, Wisconsin. We are a multiage, Project/Place Based school. Our primary focus consists of four platforms; forests, lakes & rivers, energy systems, and our local history. Our curriculum design provides students with an academically rigorous, hands-on experience that engages students, experts, teachers, and community members in a unique learning experience.

Est. 2014

### **152. Northwood Elementary School**

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Grade Levels: K4-05

Northwood Elementary School (NES) will serve 145 students in K4 through grade 05 with a distinctive team-teaching, multi-age, bio-regional literacy pedagogy anchored in an innovative place-based learning community.

NES will implement a bio-regional literacy curriculum that focuses students on engagement with place, people, and purposeful literacy text and community expertise. The power of literature to lead children into a greater awareness and "sensibility" for their place will require more attention. This calls for a re-visioning of what literature and the language arts can be. It means identifying writers and artists of the bioregion who reflect our place back to us, who lead us into the unseen depths so we may immerse ourselves in the living world around us.

Est. 2012

### 153. Northwood High/Middle School

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Northwood Charter High School is a conversion charter that will offer an interdisciplinary learning collaborative (ILC) dedicated to a mission of stewardship; sustaining its rural way of life.

The essential aspects of the ILC model are the following:

- Interdisciplinary Management Teams (IMT)
- Integrated and interdisciplinary curriculum
- Community/Business/Industry/ Partners as places to learn and learn from
- Collaborative Faculty
- Student Participatory Leadership

The power of Northwood Charter High School’s learning will spring from its inherent capacity to be open to the learning at hand and to be open to the feedback of its actions as a purposeful learning community. When students engage and successfully complete something there is an exponential surge of attention, excitement, and interest. From this energetic, emerging capacity, ever more complex questions and integrated endeavors will take place. For moving forward in an age of global change and local challenges; schools simply must fall on the equation side of solution maker. With student generated solutions, and application of core academic skills directed to stewardship and renewed community engagement, NCHS will be an innovative charter school for Wisconsin’s North Country.

Est. 2015

### 154. Northwood Virtual Charter Schools

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The Northwood Virtual Charter School (NVCS) provides high-quality, standards-based, self-paced learning to help foster each child’s growth and development through an individualized approach. Designed to serve students in grades K4 – 12 who qualify for enrollment into the school district through residence or open-enrollment, the NVCS staff (licensed teachers, community experts, and other school staff) uses collaborative approaches to meet the needs of each child. Depending on the interests and abilities of students, NVCS staff will provide a flexible and customized plan for each individual student. Plans will consist of online learning, traditional classroom instruction, project-based learning, experiential learning, work-related learning or a combination of the above.

To ensure student success, the NVCS needs to have a close working relationship. Working with the NVCS staff, the parent and child will be included in the development of the child’s learning plan.



**Oconto Falls Public School District**  
CESA 08

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Est. 1998

### 155. Falls Alternative Learning Site

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This charter high school primarily serves at-risk students in grades 09-12 who have not experienced enough success in the traditional school setting. These students can be credit-deficient and truant, and many lack a personal connection with the typical school environment. The FALLS aims to provide a safe environment where these students take an active role in the governing and maintenance of the school. These students have the opportunities to earn high school credits as fast as they are willing to

work. Some students adjust so well that they end up going to post-secondary school. FALS provides an online curriculum including credit recovery courses that provide for flexibility, customization and variety of courses.

Est. 2007 **156. New Path Charter School**

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Grade Levels: 06-12

New Path Charter School is to provide those students who may have made poor decisions resulting in expulsion with an opportunity to continue the learning process to obtain a high school or alternative diploma. Additionally, New Path offers students who are credit deficient; have exhausted all at-risk programs in the district; and who have little chance of graduating from the traditional high school the opportunity to obtain an alternative school diploma.



**Oconto Unified  
School District**  
CESA 08

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Est. 2013 **157. Bayshore Community Academy**

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Bayshore Community Academy collaborates with community members to offer hands-on projects, innovative use of technology, and a learning environment focused on academic excellence and success in a global economy. We achieve our mission through:

**21<sup>st</sup> Century Learning**

- **Projects** - A new kind of learning that is hands on, flexible and adaptable to all learning styles.
- **STEM Education** integrates science, technology, engineering, and math in all areas of learning.
- **Technology** connects students to anyone anywhere, benefiting by diverse perspectives, building communication and collaboration skills, and preparing students for life in a global world whether virtually or geographically.

**Environmental Focus**

Students achieve high academic standards by applying learning to projects that interest them AND inspire appreciation for local natural resources.

**Community**

Our community becomes a classroom as students interact with community members on real projects that contribute to everyone's quality of life.



**Osceola School  
District**  
CESA 11

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Est. 2005 **158. Osceola Charter Preschool**

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Osceola Charter Preschool was developed to provide a public choice for four-year old kindergartners in Osceola, with specific attention to each child's social, emotional, and behavioral development. Using a blended model from the Creative Curriculum for academic areas, the Second Step Curriculum for general social/emotional development, and Play Therapy techniques for behavioral interventions, the school's goal is to provide

early intervention for children and families in order to smooth their transition into full-day kindergarten programs.

Osceola Charter Preschool operates on a model of four half days per week, with children attending approximately three hours per day, either morning or afternoon. Groups run from 18 to 20 children, with children with disabilities from the Early Childhood program blended in based on parent choice or child need. Instructional themes are utilized, as is standard in most preschool settings, to organize learning opportunities over the course of the school year.



**Oshkosh Area  
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Est. 2004

### **159. ALPs Accelerated Alternative Learning Program**

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Grade Levels: 04-08

ALPs Charter School (Accelerated Learning Program) can serve students in grades 4-8. ALPs provides an educational, social, and emotional environment that is suited to the unique needs of students whose academic, intellectual, and creative abilities place them at risk, and whose needs cannot reasonably be met by the tradition school program. Project-based learning and one to one technology are used to maximize learning opportunities for students.

Est. 2007

### **160. Jacob Shapiro Brain Based Instruction Laboratory School**

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Recent scientific evidence is changing our common belief about human development. Research supports that the brain changes in structure and chemistry every day. We have learned from neuroscience that how and what we teach has a profound impact on those changes. Neuroscience at Shapiro is *MBE (Fischer, 2009)*. When we intentionally combine information from psychology (*Mind*) and brain research (*Brain*) directly to classroom practice using specific strategies, structures and tools (*Education*) we are better developing the whole child. Some examples include teaching thinking skills, having classroom jobs for all children, a safe spot, understanding input limitations (how much information the brain can handle at once), and being able to read and regulate the emotional states of our learners. Data indicates that using an MBE approach has had a positive effect on culture and student achievement. These findings come at a pivotal time when critical analysis, problem solving, and collaboration are going to be essential not only for survival but for competition in a 21<sup>st</sup> century global market economy.



**Portage Community  
School District**  
CESA 05

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Est. 1999

### **161. Portage Academy of Achievement**

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The Portage Academy of Achievement serves at-risk high school students in grades 09-12. Some of the targeted students have already dropped out of school and may be failing in local traditional preparation programs. The district had no alternative or at-risk programming before the establishment of this charter school.

Grade Levels: 09-12

The charter school is characterized by alternative methods of continued learning in an atmosphere that is sensitive and suited to the development of students' intellectual, physical, and social capabilities. Students succeed in an environment where they feel as though they belong and where they learn to build partnerships with peers and teachers.

The charter school provides instruction by three primary means: first, by direct instruction; second, through the integration of technology into the curriculum; and third, through work experience. Students develop a customized and innovative approach to their learning program, thereby developing more positive attitudes toward self, school, and society. The school's ultimate goal is for students to graduate, to learn to live responsibly in the community, and to achieve economic self-sufficiency.



**Prairie du Chien  
Area School District**  
CESA 03

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Est. 2013

### **162. Mighty River Academy of Virtual Education**

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Grade Levels: KG-12

The Mighty River Virtual school is a charter school that offers a variety of options for parents looking for alternatives to the traditional "brick and mortar" education. The charter school offers standard-based online curriculum utilizing the "K-12 Program". Students can work with the Virtual Education Director to create Individual Learning Plans that best fit the student's needs.



**Racine Unified  
School District**  
CESA 01

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Est. 2014

### **163. Racine Civil Leaders Academy**

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Grade Levels: K4-05

Racine Civil Leaders Academy (RCLA) is an urban neighborhood public charter school of the Racine Unified School District. This unique school implements Project-Based Learning as its school-wide instructional model, while prioritizing math, science, and community leadership. RCLA is:

- Designed to provide academic excellence and meet the needs of lower-income and minority students in a way that closes the achievement gap.
- Driven to build trust with families and community members in order to ensure student success.
- Excited to help students embrace their culture in order to develop a strong self-image.

The vision of RCLA is to prepare students to become empowered community stakeholders by building self-esteem, fostering leadership abilities, and developing a global mindset. RCLA's mission is to encourage critical thinking in a Project-Based Learning environment, which maximizes individual potential and ensures that all students have the knowledge and assets to meet the demands of the 21st Century.

Est. 2000 **164. REAL School**

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The Racine Educational Alternative Learning Experience (the REAL School) was established in 2000 and represents the creation of an educational family with the purpose of stimulating lifelong emotional, mental, and physical development. The REAL School philosophy respects the need for flexibility in determining how students in grades 06-12 of various intelligences and abilities are best served. The REAL School provides a strong alternative program that tailors meaningful assignments to individuals and challenges students to think and apply academic learning to real-life problems. Every student is linked to an adult teacher through an intensive home group guidance program throughout all grade levels and student tutor/mentors are provided for the first two years of middle school. Reports of academic and social/emotional progress are reviewed weekly and provided to the staff and the principal.



**Rhinelander School District**  
CESA 09

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Est. 2005 **165. Northwoods Community Elementary School**

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Northwoods Community Elementary School (NCES) is a school that creates a variety of Project-Based learning opportunities students in grades K4-05 to achieve academic success and deepen community roots. By establishing strong and collaborative student, teacher, parent, and community partnerships, a Northwoods Elementary student learns, from an early age, how lifelong learning is building knowledge with others. NCES has a rich history of education at its rural site. Located in a region of Wisconsin's northern lake and woodland countryside, NCES reflects the small farms, forestry practices, and tourist recreation economy, all of which are centered on the natural resources abundant at the students' doorsteps. Environmental education is emphasized throughout the curriculum. The Project-Based pedagogy takes full advantage of the surrounding area for students to develop an understanding of their community; its social structure, its history, its economy, its music, its art, and its ecology.

In short, community projects and field study opportunities abound. By studying the watershed, participating in community projects, raising and caring for animals, designing and sustaining a productive garden, interviewing elders about the cultural heritage of home, and helping to serve the needs of others, these students are engaged both academically and socially in the life of the community.

Est. 2005 **166. Northwoods Community Secondary School**

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Grade Levels: 06-12

Northwoods Community Secondary School (NCSS) is located in North Central Wisconsin. The school offers an innovative choice for School District of Rhinelander students attending grades 06-12 to become part of a smaller learning community in a technology-enriched environment distinctive for its positive school culture, rigorous Project-Based curriculum, diverse assessment techniques, shared school governance, and dynamic community-enhanced learning opportunities. This environment strives to combine high expectations and a meaningful course of study with sustained involvement of caring adults who mentor, advise, and support students throughout their educational careers.



**Rice Lake Area  
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CESA 11**

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Est. 2012

**167. Northern Lakes Regional Academy**

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Grade Levels: 09-12

Northern Lakes Regional Academy (NLRA) is a professional learning community offering distinctive interdisciplinary curriculum. We are community centered and customize learning for individual students. NLRA currently has a cap of 50 students in grades 9-12. When fully implemented will serve 100-120 students.

NLRA offers a small school environment encouraging multi-age learning through seminars, workshops, field experiences, and individual projects. The rigorous curriculum places responsibility back on the student and encourages growth through experimentation. Our learning community is created by encouraging collaboration; student to student, students to teacher, and teacher to teacher.



**Richland School  
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CESA 03**

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Est. 2014

**168. Richland Online Academy**

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Grade Levels: 06-12

The Richland Online Academy strives to offer 21<sup>st</sup> century learning experiences to empower all learners to succeed in this ever challenging world. Our online platform provides an academically sound and stimulating experience for our learners. ROA excels at accommodating both the experienced online student as well as the first time virtual learner. With the support of the Wisconsin Virtual School (WVS), the Richland Online Academy promises its students an authentic and deep pedagogical atmosphere, with a commitment to variety and rigor among course offerings.

Richland Online Academy provides:

- High Quality, interactive courses aligned to state and national standards.
- One-to-one attention from Wisconsin-certified teachers.
- Middle school and high school level curriculum.
- Modified rates of learning - traditional, accelerated, or extended.
- Flexible schedule allowing students to choose time and place for learning.
- A high school diploma and the experience of online learning.



**Ripon School  
District  
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Est. 2012

**169. Catalyst Charter Middle School**

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Catalyst Charter Middle School uses a Project-Based curriculum and approach with an emphasis on digital citizenship and Science-Technology-Engineering-Math (STEM). It is intended for students who prefer a more hands-on approach to learning with an integrated

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Grade Levels: 06-08

curriculum which cuts across traditional subject area boundaries. Catalyst projects are rigorous, standards-driven, and cross-categorical incorporating benchmarks in both core classes and electives. Every day, students work in a blended-online environment, participating in World Language courses while engaging in electives such as band and choir.

The Catalyst student transitions from teacher - led to student - led projects through the process of Project-Based learning. All projects require students to meet the Common Core Standards, ensuring that their school day is focused, rigorous, and engaging! Digital citizenship is developed through global projects. Catalyst puts advanced technology into good practice as students use Apple products and Chromebooks as tools to accomplish our three goals: creating, communicating and collaborating.

Est. 2013 **170. Journey Charter School**

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Journey Charter School, a K-2 project-based learning school, lays the foundation for a continuum of project-based charter schools offered throughout the Ripon Area School District. Journey Charter School affords students the opportunity to solve real world questions through active learning and peer collaboration. Through multi-age pillars and a host of community partnerships, Journey Charter School strengthens the whole child in fostering inquiry and critical thinking skills and guides students to flourish as leaders, lifelong learners and problem solvers.

Est. 2011 **171. Lumen Charter High School**

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Lumen Charter High School's mission is to engage high school students in a dynamic learning environment that fosters forward thinking. Through a delivery model that utilizes interdisciplinary seminars, as well as a problem-based, project-based, and/or place-based approach to learning, students focus on relevant skills and a competency-based curriculum in order to prepare them for success in two-year or four-year college and the workforce.

Lumen Charter High School students gain real-world experiences and skills through collaborative learning, student choice and voice, community building, volunteer experience, and/or work experience. Students have the opportunity to engage deeply in learning goals and individualize aspects of their education in order to reflect their emerging interests, questions, and passions. Lumen strives to produce students who are technologically literate, globally aware, and able to bring creativity and entrepreneurialism to situations requiring problem solving.

Student enrollment is approximately 10% of the Ripon Area School District high school population.

Est. 2010 **172. Quest Charter School**

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Grade Levels: 03-05

Quest Elementary School offers a dynamic, hands-on, Project-Based learning environment for 150 students in grades 03-05 in the Ripon Area School District. Quest students are learners who thrive in collaborative, interdisciplinary learning environments and are afforded an opportunity to delve into the exciting world of interactive, inquiry-based project learning. Their learning is enhanced through designing projects that explore personal, real-life issues which students collaboratively share with authentic audiences. Our 1:1 computer learning environment allows students to integrate Web 2.0 app skills to enhance the 21st Century skills of communication, collaboration, critical thinking and creativity.

Community showcase events provide a forum for project presentations. Autonomous charter school governance attends to the daily operations of Quest Elementary School. Parents and community members, along with educators, utilize democratic decision-making to guide the Quest Governance Council as it leads the school in its mission to benefit students, parents, and the community.



**River Falls School District**  
CESA 11

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Est. 1999

### **173. Renaissance Charter Alternative Academy**

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Grade Levels: 09-12+

The Renaissance Academy is an innovative, chartered alternative school that offers three programs to meet the needs of a wide range of learners. Our specialty lies in the area of technology. All students are required to take at least one innovative technology class, and students in the day program are offered a variety of software options. Most have their own web pages. A pre-engineering strand was added in 2006. Pre-engineering has become a focus of ours as a way to help students to continue to think critically and focus on problem solving and life-long learning.

During the day, students in grades 09-12 earn a standard high school diploma. Students are offered the same core curriculum class content as students attending River Falls High School, but in a flexible, personalized manner. Classes are planned according to sound constructivist theory and are Project-Based and interdisciplinary where appropriate. We ensure that all students have a firm grasp of the basic skills, complete two years of Spanish, participate in a service learning component, and complete a mentoring-apprenticeship placement in their senior year.

Est. 2002

### **174. River Falls Public Montessori Elementary**

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The River Falls Public Montessori Elementary is designed to offer families in the River Falls area an alternative elementary educational experience based on a proven philosophy and methodology, one that works for children of all abilities and socioeconomic levels and that fosters autonomous, responsible, adaptive citizens who are lifelong learners, problem solvers, and competent in all areas of life. Montessori schools are based on principles of respect and independence and are designed to help all students discover and develop their unique talents and possibilities. They treat each child as a unique individual learner.

Students in kindergarten through grade 6 are served at River Falls Montessori.



**River Valley School District**  
CESA 03

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Est. 2014

### **175. Arena Community Elementary School**

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Arena Community Elementary School (ACES) is a public conversion charter school serving Pre-Kindergarten through 5th grade incorporating the community's unique resources with the 21<sup>st</sup> century need for collaboration and innovation in a school located in a rural setting. Through a teacher-led model of instruction, ACES will build Responsive

Grade Levels: PK-05 Classrooms, utilize Inquiry-Based Learning strategies, and incorporate STEM innovations. ACES has been designed to address the many needs that rural schools face today, not only in Arena or the River Valley area, but in Wisconsin and throughout our world. Focusing on the development of 21<sup>st</sup>-Century skills and promoting teacher collaboration and community growth, students at ACES accelerate as creative problem solvers who work collaboratively with one another to prepare for a world we cannot predict.



**Rosendale-Brandon  
School District**  
CESA 06

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Est. 2013 **176. Cirrus High School**

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The mission of Cirrus High School is to innovate and adapt in order to challenge and inspire students to become life-long learners, successful adults, and responsible citizens. We do this in a student-led, project-based environment. Cirrus students develop the confidence and ability to successfully meet adult, career, and civic challenges and opportunities. The student-led, project-based learning model enables students, parents, and educators to explore and develop an increasingly effective and efficient learning atmosphere that emphasizes personal interests and aptitudes, inquiry, state and national academic standards, 21st century skills, community involvement, real-world experience, and the demands of a global economy.

Cirrus is a small school with a maximum enrollment of 40 students. The school was developed to give students in grades 09-12 another great option in the Rosendale-Brandon School District. Students at Cirrus drive their education by developing projects within their own interests and goals to meet academic standards. Students work closely with advisors who encourage students to follow their passions and help connect these passions to projects. At Cirrus, students move at their individual pace, focus on areas they are most interested in, take responsibility for their learning, develop their independence, and become active members of a learning community.



**Saint Croix Central  
School District**  
CESA 11

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Est. 2014 **177. Saint Croix Academy of Virtual Education**

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Grade Levels: KG-12

The Saint Croix Valley Academy of Virtual Education serves students in grades KG-12, and was developed to better serve the unmet needs of some of our students. Our mission is to prepare our students with exceptional character, knowledge and skills to thrive in their changing world.



**Sauk Prairie School District**  
CESA 05

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Est. 2006

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Grade Levels: PK-05

Utilizing a community-based model, Merrimac combines the principles of place-based education with its existing multiage instruction (grades PK and grades 03-05), involving parents and the community in curriculum development, education, and governance. The curriculum is inspired by and derived from the diverse community that it serves, utilizing the local history, culture, and natural resources surrounding Merrimac to expand the classroom beyond school grounds and to relate classroom education to the outside world. MCCS has a strong focus on literacy and mathematics skills achievement and integrates core material with Project-Based learning. With a Project-Based learning component, MCCS supports a constructivist learning approach where students are encouraged to use skills taught in the classroom to construct their own knowledge for various projects, both within the school and in extramural opportunities.



**Shawano School District**  
CESA 08

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Est. 2012

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Grade Levels: K4-02

LEADS Primary Charter School is an inquiry-based literacy charter school that serves 72 students in grades K4-02 in the Shawano School District. Our mission is for students to become independent learners, critical thinkers, problem solvers, communicators, and collaborative and responsible citizens through this inquiry based approach. LEADS offers a student-centered and teacher-guided instructional approach that engages students in investigating real world questions within a broad thematic framework that follows Common Core Standards.



**Sheboygan Area School District**  
CESA 07

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Est. 2011

**180. Central High School**

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Central High School (CHS) is an innovative, Project-Based charter school in the heart of Sheboygan. It seeks to serve students who may not have found success in other school settings and those for whom the traditional large high school is not a good fit. CHS will serve students in grades 09-12, ranging in age from 14-21. The 2011/12 projected enrollment is 175 and the maximum enrollment is set at 200 to maintain the atmosphere and advantages of a small, personalized high school. CHS offers half- and full-day schedule options, summer credit recovery, and extended day programming. Extracurricular activities include student council, school store, intramural co-education athletics, and a student assistance program.

CHS will implement: 1) innovative educational approaches, and 2) multiple strategies utilized by full-service community schools, i.e. community- and family-friendly strategies that support students beyond their academic needs. The primary instructional format is Project-Based Learning. With teacher guidance, students will tackle projects of their own design and will study real world, and community-linked problems and issues.

Est. 2007

### **181. Elementary School of the Arts and Academics**

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Grade Levels: K4-05

The Elementary School of the Arts and Academics (ESAA) is a K4-5th grade charter school serving a socio-economically and culturally diverse student population in the Sheboygan Area School District. Through a curriculum that integrates the arts and academics students with diverse learning styles will be able to engage content in a manner that best fits the full spectrum of learning needs. Local artists, community arts agencies, parents, and staff work as a team to create a learning environment that fosters creativity and learning in all students.

Providing a learning environment where students are able to go into greater depth is accomplished through thematic units where dance, drama, language arts, math, music, science, social studies, and visual arts are integrated in a manner that sees learning as a problem to be solved through multiple solutions. Ideas are expressed through the multiple intelligences of: visual (dance), musical (music), kinesthetic (dance), verbal linguistic (language arts), logical/mathematical (math/science), interpersonal (drama), intrapersonal (reflection), and naturalistic.

Est. 2007

### **182. George D. Warriner High School for Personalized Learning**

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The George D. Warriner High School for Personalized Learning will serve high school students in grades 09-12. In 2007-08 the school served 28 students. Enrollment is projected to increase by approximately 30 students per year, with a total of 109 students in 2010-11. The purpose of the charter school is to provide students with learning opportunities that fit their learning styles as well as meet their individual academic and social needs. This school supports our diverse student population by providing opportunities for students to learn at their own pace and in flexible locations They will learn within relevant and motivating contexts and demonstrate knowledge and abilities required by the Sheboygan Area School District's Standards and Benchmarks.

The charter school is focused on a personalized learning plan combining individualized instruction with online instruction for each student. These learning plans will be the result of a partnership between teachers, parents, and students. Each student plans with a teacher to identify a learning context that matches his or her instructional, social, and professional goals.

Est. 2011

### **183. George D. Warriner Middle School**

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George D. Warriner Middle School for Personalized Learning in Sheboygan is an innovative choice for students interested in a self-paced, more individualized learning experience. Parents, students, and other community members have expressed interest in creation of this option since 2007, when the current George D. Warriner High School for Personalized Learning was established. That model, and ours, begins with the belief that building relationships, including strong student-parent-advisor rapport, is the key to student engagement and success. The

use of flexible scheduling, including full-day, half-day, and online options, only underscores our commitment to meeting the unique needs of students and families.

The Warriner Middle School vision has evolved based on pre-planning research on middle school student needs as well as focus groups of parents who were excited to provide input into a successful and new kind of learning environment for their child. What came out of that planning work was a curriculum design that is unique in its four-pillar framework:

1) Project-Based learning – Students gain in-depth knowledge by exploring topics of personal interest while meeting Common Core State Standards in English, Social Studies, and other subjects.

2) Technology-infused learning – A variety of digital technologies help students research, collect, apply and demonstrate their learning. Interactive computer-based math & science courses (Compass Learning) provide learning that is personalized to students' individual skill levels and pace.

3) 21st Century Skills – Students receive direct instruction and practice in academic and real-world skills for the 21<sup>st</sup> century, from collaboration and communication to problem-solving skills.

4) Problem-based service learning – Students identify real community needs, create solutions, and act upon a research-based plan resulting in them becoming more informed and engaged young citizens. Community partners support students (e.g. providing service platforms, teaching needed skills, etc.).

Est. 2011

#### **184. I.D.E.A.S. Academy (Innovation through Design, Engineering, Arts and Sciences)**

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The I.D.E.A.S. Academy prepares students in grades 09-12 for college and a future that increasingly values creativity and innovation through the integration of academic content with design, engineering, arts, and sciences. I.D.E.A.S. Academy offers an education that provides students with the knowledge and skills needed in the 21<sup>st</sup> century through a comprehensive curriculum that allows in-depth understanding through Project-Based and disciplinary learning. At I.D.E.A.S. Academy we are dedicated to preparing students for our rapidly changing world, one that increasingly values conceptualization, innovation, and empathy. We are moving into an era where creative thinking is valued as much as critical thinking and basic communication skills are no longer enough. Those that thrive will have the ability to understand what moves humankind, the ability to create relationships, and the ability to think holistically. We live in an unprecedented time, one that requires an educational shift to ensure our students are prepared for the future. At I.D.E.A.S. Academy students learn to use their mind well and thrive in an era with exponential growth in technology and information. Our graduates are powerful communicators, innovators, and leaders.

Because the school will offer a flexible education designed to best meet the needs of each unique learner, it utilizes a comprehensive "hybrid approach" featuring a variety of educational models (integrated content areas, Project-Based learning led by students AND teachers, and a combination of online and face-to-face instruction). I.D.E.A.S. Academy exemplifies a small school environment where students learn what it means to be part of a community.

Est. 2007

#### **185. Lake Country Academy**

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Lake Country Academy (LCA) charter school is in the Sheboygan Area School District, serving 390 students in grades K4-08.

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Grade Levels: K4-08

LCA's curriculum combines direct instruction teaching with core knowledge and core virtue-based learning. The fundamentals of reading, math, and spelling are taught using direct instruction, an approach centered on flexible grouping. Direct instruction has been cited as a national model for learning since the 1970's and is currently being used in over 1,000 schools nationwide. Material is taught with logical precision in discrete, child-sized bits, rapid correction, and careful measurement and assessment. The direct instruction teaching method is heavy on phonics and studies show it to be effective in helping students raise their basic skill levels, learning abilities, and self-esteem.

Est. 2011 **186. Mosaic School, The**

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The Mosaic School offers a challenging academic program with a focus on innovative thinking and creative problem-solving using the College of William and Mary curriculum. Students are taught and encouraged to become independent learners to prepare them for high school and beyond. Our approach allows students to make connections, notice patterns, analyze, and problem solve through multiple perspectives. Students develop their own reasoning around concepts and ideas. A collaborative environment creates real-world experience in articulating their thoughts and reasoning as they apply their knowledge in creative and innovative ways.

Our project/seminar time provides the opportunity for students to extend their academic knowledge in Project-Based on individual interests. Project seminars consist of a six-week exploratory seminar in two disciplines followed by a six-week project development time. The first six weeks of every trimester will allow students to explore two seminars in depth, developing skills specific to those fields. The following six-week period will be spent creating projects that utilize the multiple intelligences, synthesize academic knowledge, and develop 21st Century Skills. Each semester, students will be able to pursue a personal interest by developing their own project or choosing from a menu of discipline-based questions to kick off their project. The project menus will provide the foundation for students to gradually progress to self-developed projects in music, movement, drama, visual arts, and design / engineering.

Est. 2007 **187. Northeast Wisconsin Montessori School**

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The Northeast Wisconsin (NEW) Montessori charter school initially served 20 elementary students in a multiage classroom spanning grades 01-06. Full enrollment of two classes of 28 students in the fall of 2010. In 2010-11 we increased our grade levels to K4-06. The purpose of the NEW Montessori Charter School is to offer an authentic Montessori elementary program, a method of education that provides multi-sensory, individualized learning opportunities. This experiential approach encourages exploration, research and student participation in classroom decisions.

**Multiage Classroom & Flexible Grouping:** The initial classroom includes a six-year age span. This structure allows for flexibility in the learning pace. In addition to individual work, students work in small groups exploring the content areas through specific skill lessons or projects. Some of the "research work" is also implemented in small groups. The intent is to foster a sense of community, and to develop skills in cooperation, team work, and social cognition.

Est. 2012 **188. Sheboygan Leadership Academy**

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Sheboygan Leadership Academy is a K4 – Grade 8 school serving 186 students. With a focus on virtue education and service learning and a commitment to high academic standards, our graduates are prepared to take on leadership roles in high school and beyond. The Virtue Project is an integral part of our curriculum. The 52 virtues are infused in all subject areas and in school life in general. Service learning grows out of the curriculum; it is not an addition to it. Through service learning students are guided to find real world solutions to real world problems. We prepare our students to be successful in their future educational endeavors and valued, contributing members of society.

Sheboygan Leadership Academy provides a strong, thorough comprehensive curriculum in all core subject areas. Saxon Math is a thorough mathematics program that focuses on the comprehension of basic skills through a gentle development of concepts and the practice of those concepts over a considerable length of time. The Spalding Method is a language arts program that is explicit, interactive, diagnostic, and multisensory. It is dedicated to teaching all students to spell, write, and read. In addition to the core subject areas; Spanish, music, art, and physical education are taught to all students in grades K through Grade 8.

The mission of the Sheboygan Leadership Academy is to inspire students to become leaders through their academic achievement, moral development, and service to others.



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Est. 2005 **189. New Horizons for Learning**

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New Horizons for Learning (NHL) offers learning structures that fully engage students by providing a meaningful and challenging academic component integrated with a motivating and empowering life transitions component. NHL serves at-risk students in grades 09-12 and is comprehensive in addressing the needs of the whole child (academic, career/postsecondary, and social/emotional needs). It offers a low student-teacher ratio of 12:1, with emphasis on student participation, self-advocacy, and self-assessment which helps foster a feeling of being valued and a contributor to one's community. Students work with the teacher for three to four hours per day and are engaged the other half of the day either in a non-core class, an internship, or a field learning experience via community resources, area employment, and/or co-curricular activities.

The charter school's classroom component utilizes Project-Based learning methods integrating common core standards and core area proficiencies, cooperative learning, online curricula, and supplemental and enrichment materials.



Est. 2014

### **190. Innovations STEM Academy**

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Innovations STEM Academy is a 6th - 8th grade STEM focused school utilizing the principles of the Challenge Based Learning (CBL) model. Innovations enhances students' real world problem solving abilities and experiences. In a smaller setting, students receive immediate support and guidance which will enhance both academic and social development. Universal high standards, collaborative learning environment, individualized learning plans, and community partnerships ensure that every student has equitable access to stimulating coursework, exceptional instruction, and empowering relationships with mentors. The challenging curriculum is designed to be student centered which will enable the intellectual development, technological fluency, and leadership of its' students.

The school features unique teaching practices that include CBL, flipped classrooms and active learning strategies to engage all learners. Daily schedules include core subjects, STEM projects, collaboration time, and field studies. Innovations STEM Academy philosophy includes:

- Utilizing innovative educational strategies.
- Preparing students to be global thinkers.
- Promoting a work ethic necessary for students' success in today's business environment and in their future.
- Cultivating higher-level critical thinking skills necessary in the real-world.
- Preparing students for future educational endeavors.

Est. 2004

### **191. Lakeview Montessori School**

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Lakeview Montessori School offers an achievement-oriented, student-driven educational choice to pre-kindergarten, through sixth grade students and their families. The school nurtures the whole student with daily, specific activities that facilitate growth in the physical, emotional, social, aesthetic, and cognitive domains. The openness of the learning community is strengthened by its focus on nurturing sensitivity for living things: plants, animals, and each other.

Cognitive success is assured as each student advances at his or her own pace while studying music, language/reading, mathematics, science, art, history, and geography. Student-directed learning allows students to advance academically as fast and far as they desire, or to work slowly with a more gentle increase in challenge. Teachers receive intensive training in the Montessori philosophy and methods. Lakeview Montessori School readily involves parents and community members in the educational process. Parents and community members serve on the Site Council, thereby having direct control over the direction, accountability, and future of Lakeview Montessori School. They participate in their child's educational experience as well as in the management and global evaluation of the school. Lakeview Montessori School is a member of the American Montessori Society. Visit us at our website: <http://elementary.spartan.org/lakeview-montessori>

Est. 2004 **192. Sparta Alternative Independent Learning School**

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The Sparta Alternative Independent Learning School (SAILS) provides an educational journey for at-risk high school learners (grades 09-12) and those ages 18 to 20 who are in danger of not graduating or who did not graduate due to lack of sufficient credits. SAILS provides a community where students take responsibility for their learning. Students and teachers develop customized education plans for which students take full responsibility. Students are now in school to master subjects they have chosen and to graduate. This approach to the core academics of math, reading, writing, and technology literacy is paired with a focus on employability skills, social skills, coping skills, lifetime wellness, and life planning.

Higher-order academic skills are assessed through yearlong projects presented to review panels of teachers, peers, and experts in the field of study.

Est. 2000 **193. Sparta Charter Preschool**

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Sparta Charter Preschool is a place to help youngsters get ready for school through play and exploration. The school serves 4-year old kindergarten students, including students at risk.

Sparta Charter Preschool blends large group, small group, and one-on-one instruction and activities. A variety of areas within each classroom encourage socialization, creative exploration, and intellectual development.

Sparta Charter Preschool provides children with a wide range of experiences and the skills necessary to be successful at the kindergarten level.

Est. 2002 **194. Sparta High Point Charter School**

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Sparta High Point serves students in grades 07-12 who feel the current school system does not adequately meet their learning needs. Students may be those who are under-challenged, unmotivated, or unsuccessful in a traditional school setting for a variety of reasons or who feel the need to develop more meaningful relationships with teachers and other students in a smaller community of learners.

Components of the program include (1) a Project-Based instructional framework aligned to Wisconsin Model Academic Standards, (2) student-driven learning experience facilitated by teachers, (3) individualized and cooperative learning opportunities, (4) community partnerships incorporated into expanded learning experiences, (5) character development and positive decision making, and (6) accountability.



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Est. 2000 **195. Concerned About Reaching Everyone**

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Concerned About Reaching Everyone (CARE) is an alternative school for at-risk students. It serves 45 7<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> grade students in need of a smaller school environment that provides individualized instruction and support. The program consists of a block schedule with certified teachers

Grade Levels: 07-09

providing instruction for students who have been identified as at-risk. An at-risk student is defined as a student facing truancy issues, social or emotional problems, or low academic abilities. Teaching staff work on sound academics and develop the rapport, support, and nurturing environment necessary for a successful alternative program at the junior high school level. Retired senior volunteers assist the students as tutors and mentors. The school has expanded to include adventure education, community service, and technology integration.

Est. 2015 **196. Point of Discovery School**

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The Point of Discovery School will be a middle school that serves up to 150 students in grades 06-08.

Our Mission: Point of Discovery School is a collaborative Expeditionary Learning community that ignites a passion for learning through authentic experiences and partnerships that build character, intellectual achievement, and civic responsibility.

Our Vision: Point of Discovery School is a model Expeditionary Learning community that recognizes the unique qualities of every child. We value inquiry, creativity, collaboration, critical thinking, innovation and service. We help students achieve higher standards for learning and exemplary character. We embrace diversity and foster partnerships with the larger community. Our families are engaged in our learning community and are essential to the success of our students and their school.



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Est. 2015 **197. Tomah Area Montessori School**

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Tomah Area Montessori School (TAMS) is a unique school that uses Montessori education, which motivates students to develop a lifelong love of learning. Students learn with an individualized curriculum, at their own pace. During a long, uninterrupted work period, students move freely around the classroom using specialized, hands-on materials.

In the 2015-2016 school year, there will be two multiage classrooms: K4 and KG students are together in *Children's House*, and 1st-3rd graders learn together in *Elementary On (E1)*. This allows students to work and to help each other while creating a collaborative classroom community.



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Est. 2013 **198. Tomorrow River Community School**

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The Tomorrow River Community Charter School (TRCCS) wishes to develop the whole child through nature, art, movement, language and music in an innovative, collaborative, and supportive educational environment based on inspiration from Waldorf, Environmental Education and other proven pedagogy.

The vision of the TRCCS is expressed perfectly by Liv Helmericks of Mountain Sage Community School, a Waldorf-inspired charter school in Colorado. “Our intention is to present the world as a beautiful and wonder-filled place where anything is possible. Math IS music, science IS art, and the totality of the way the world works IS poetry. This powerful method provides all children, despite their differences, the opportunity to completely participate in their own education, cultivating compassion and respect for self, others and the natural world.”



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Est. 2015 **199. Laker Online Virtual Charter School**

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The Laker Online Virtual Charter School program was created to better serve the unmet needs of KG-12 students in our area and have expanded to include students throughout the state. The Laker Online Virtual Charter School provides course options to students that they may not find in a traditional school setting. Laker Online Virtual Charter School will enable students to take Wisconsin Certified Elementary, Middle, and High School courses at a more flexible pace, following a schedule that meets their needs and at a location of their choosing. The courses are taught by Wisconsin-certified instructors and are supported by an assigned Local Education Guide (LEG). We strongly feel that the support of the teacher and LEG allows students to succeed in the online environment.



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Est. 2000 **200. Bruce Guadalupe Community School**

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The Bruce Guadalupe Community School (BGCS) was granted a charter by Milwaukee Public Schools in July 2000 and serves students in grades K4-08. The school has a strong commitment to improving the educational status of Hispanics. An important part of this commitment is that each student becomes proficient in English while maintaining facility in Spanish. The ultimate goal of BGCS is to exceed national norms in all subject areas at each grade level based on the Iowa Test of Basic Skills. Toward this end, BGCS offers an extended school year that includes a five-week summer school program and an after-school program that provides academic and tutorial services.

Est. 2004 **201. Capitol West Academy**

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Chartered by the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, Capitol West Academy (CWA) opened in the 2004-05 school year serving children in grades K5-03. We have grown to offer grades K4-08, with a total enrollment of nearly 300 students. Our mission is to provide a safe, nurturing education environment where children, with the support of their families and the community, learn and grow to be successful lifelong learners and productive citizens. CWA provides a structured environment with an integrated curriculum, in which teaching on a given subject

overlaps into various academic areas, as well as rigorous academics and a focus on character education. We are committed to nurturing and developing students who are prepared socially and academically to enter college-preparatory high school and young adulthood with a clear vision of success and who embrace lifelong learning. We stress character development, which teaches the school's core values of respect, responsibility, honesty and achievement. We have received yearly honors from the Wisconsin Character Education Partnership and national awards from the Character Education partnership for our innovative character education initiatives. Our strong parental involvement boasts 99.7% yearly attendance at parent/teacher conferences and daily communication through the Passport to Success program. Our educators understand how the structure and growth patterns of the brain affect learning. And they offer a neurodevelopmentally informed, trauma sensitive philosophy and practices that supports the needs of all of our students.

CWA has won state and national awards for its accomplishments in promoting character education.

Est. 2015 **202. La Casa de Esperanza Charter School**

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La Casa de Esperanza's mission is to provide opportunities to achieve full social and economic participation in society, with emphasis on the Hispanic population.

La Casa transforms every individual and family it touches, fostering hope and providing opportunities, resulting in a prosperous, engaged, and connected community.

Est. 2002 **203. Milwaukee College Preparatory School – 36th Street**

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Milwaukee College Prep's first 15 years of existence in one of Milwaukee's most challenging neighborhoods has produced remarkable results. The school has grown from 76 students when it opened to 1300 students today and has triple digit waiting lists for the past 10 years. Milwaukee College Prep expects excellence in both academic achievement and personal conduct from its students, most of whom are low-income minorities from single-parent homes. The school alumni are forging ahead on the path of success. The University of Chicago, Marquette, Syracuse, Xavier, Howard, and Savannah Institute of Art and Design are just a few of the institutions that have accepted alumni from Milwaukee College Preparatory School. Milwaukee College Prep's Mission: Knowledge plus character pave the road to college and beyond.

Est. 2014 **204. Milwaukee College Preparatory School – North Campus**

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The Milwaukee College Preparatory School- North Campus (MCP) location builds on the legacy of its first school by having an educational philosophy of love and hard work coupled with a college-bound curriculum grounded in basic skills, outstanding literature and moral virtues. In partnership with parents, a nurturing environment of high expectations and accountability that equips all students with the choice to determine their success in life will be provided. It is expected that MCP - North Campus will enroll 490 students in 4 year old kindergarten through 8th grade.

Est. 2011 **205. Milwaukee Scholars**

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Milwaukee Scholars Charter School (“Milwaukee Scholars” or “the School”), in partnership with National Heritage Academies (NHA), will serve approximately 413 students in grades K4-08 initially, growing to serve approximately 699 students in grades K4-08 by 2015-16. Milwaukee Scholars will offer a curricular focus that sets high academic standards and is infused with a Moral Focus theme that promotes fundamental values such as integrity, achievement, excellence, and accountability, which will better prepare students for success in high school, college, and beyond.

Est. 2001 **206. School for Early Development and Achievement**

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The mission of the School for Early Development and Achievement (SEDA) is to increase the developmental competencies and educational achievement of children as a solid foundation for success throughout life.

SEDA provides early childhood education for children with and without special needs, serving grades K3-02. Class sizes are small, so every child benefits from individualized attention. SEDA’s experienced professional team includes an occupational therapist, speech therapist, special education teacher, and full-time social worker.

The mission of the SEDA is to increase the developmental competencies and educational achievement of children as a solid foundation for success throughout life. We also consider parents our partners in educating the children. PIE (Parents in Education) is our parent group that meets monthly to encourage involvement in the children’s education.

SEDA’s year-round school schedule revolves around the Baltimore curriculum, block scheduling, multiage classroom designs, and a Direct Instruction reading coach. SEDA also administers the Northwest Evaluation Association (NWEA) testing protocol.

SEDA offers child care serving infants and toddlers, ages six weeks to three years. SEDA Early Achievers Child Care is open year-round, and serves all children including those with disabilities and special needs.

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Est. 2007 **207. Seeds of Health Elementary School**

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Grade Levels: K4-03

Seeds of Health Elementary (SOHE) School is a KG-08 school chartered through the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee and operates under the auspices of Seeds of Health, Inc. SOHE serves 430 students at two campuses: grades K4-03 at Windlake Elementary, and grades 04-08 at Windlake Academy. Students who attend Windlake Elementary can transition to one of Seeds of Health’s high schools: Milwaukee Community Cyber (MC<sup>2</sup>) High School, Tenor High School, or Veritas High School.

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The mission of SOHE is to work in strong partnership with parents and community to fully develop the physical, emotional, social and intellectual potential of each child in a safe and supportive learning environment. This is accomplished through small class sizes, a strong family component, and extra-curricular activities that promote positive stewardship.

Student growth is measured through the Measures of Academic Progress (MAP) assessment, teacher designed assessments, and state

defined assessments. The overall program model is assessed using the Baldrige model in conjunction with other quantitative and qualitative measures.

Seeds of Health Elementary has been a recipient of the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction's School of Recognition Award in 2010, 2012, 2013 and 2014, and SOHE has been recognized in a 2014 study by UWM as one of the most successful schools in the City of Milwaukee.

Est. 2005 **208. Tenor High School**

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Opened in 2005, Tenor High School serves 235 students in grades 09-12. Tenor is chartered through the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee and operates under the auspices of Seeds of Health, Inc. Tenor High School's unique dual certification program provides students with an opportunity to earn their high school diploma and college credits while attending classes at Milwaukee Area Technical College (MATC) during their senior year. Students are able to earn an MATC program certificate, credits for an associate's degree, or credits to be transferred to a four-year college or university.

Student growth is measured through the Measures of Academic Progress (MAP) assessment, teacher designed assessments, and state defined assessments. The overall program model is assessed using the Baldrige model in conjunction with other quantitative and qualitative measures.

Tenor High School has been recognized locally and nationally as an outstanding school. Tenor has been a recipient of the Wisconsin Department of Instruction's School of Recognition Award in 2013, received a Bronze Medal from US News & World Report in their 2014 Ranking of Best High Schools, and was named a finalist for the Milwaukee Charter School Advocates' 2014 High School of the Year Award. In addition, Tenor received national certification in 2013 for its Project Lead the Way Program.

Est. 2001 **209. Veritas High School**

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Veritas High School is chartered through the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee and operates under the auspices of Seeds of Health, Inc. Veritas opened in 2001 to provide students in grades 09-12 and currently serves students in a traditional four-year college preparatory program. Within that common secondary education format, Veritas is purposefully organized as a small school environment to best support the academic and social growth of urban students enrolled in a challenging values-based college preparatory curriculum with a focus on literature, language, history, mathematics, science, and the arts.

In addition to the core curriculum, students have the opportunity to participate in the Project Lead the Way Bio-Medical Program and advance placement classes.

Veritas was a recipient of the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction's School of Recognition Award in 2012, was named as one of America's Best High Schools in 2013 by *Newsweek* magazine, received a Silver Medal from US News & World Report in their 2014 Ranking of Best High Schools, and was named a finalist for the Milwaukee Charter School Advocates' 2014 High School of the Year Award.

Veritas High School has been chosen by Big Brothers Big Sisters of Metro Milwaukee to participate in a unique college and career readiness mentoring program to begin in the fall of 2014. Veritas is the first and only 2r charter high school in Milwaukee selected to participate in this exciting program.

Est. 2010 **210. Urban Day Charter School**

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Grade Levels: K4-08

The mission of Urban Day School is to provide students, pre-kindergarten through eighth grade, with a learning experience that emphasizes academic excellence and personal achievement, enabling the students to make a successful transition into higher education and to become value-creating leaders of society. Urban Day School includes two campuses located at 12<sup>th</sup> and Atkinson and 24<sup>th</sup> and Vliet. Estimated enrollment for the two campuses is nearly 475, K4 through 8<sup>th</sup> grade students.

Urban Day is on its trajectory to becoming a high performance school with its innovative school wide systems. With smart boards in every classroom, technology is embedded in daily instruction provided by highly qualified teachers and support from qualified paraprofessionals. Classrooms are small and enrichment classes are valued. Our caring and compassionate teachers believe that every student is successful and can create their own path to a better life for themselves, their family, and the community.

The Urban Day School's "Success for All" (SFA) school-wide reading program involves teams tightly networked within the school to best serves urban students. SFA program is based on more than 130 studies of the effectiveness of reading strategies such as cooperative groups, think/pair/share, and positive verbal praise. Within the last four years in which SFA has been introduced to the school, the number of students reading at or above grade level has more than doubled! In August 2010, the baseline was 25%, by the end of the 2013-2014 school year 60% of the students were reading at grade level. The percentage exceeds 75% for students enrolled for all four years. The National Business Roundtable has selected and is now promoting the Success for All as the best research-based reading curriculum in the country. At Urban Day school we work hard to establish highly effective teachers through annual training institutes, coaching, and support to implement our Common Core based curriculum with fidelity for high classroom achievement. At Urban Day, we do things that others dream about doing.

Est. 2004 **211. Woodlands School – Bluemound Campus**

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Grade Levels: K4-08

Woodlands School serves grades K4-08 and offers an innovative educational program of excellence for the whole child in a multicultural environment that prepares the child for lifelong learning in a rapidly changing society. The school, under the chartering authority of the University of Wisconsin–Milwaukee, serves the richly diverse racial, ethnic, and socioeconomic populations of the City of Milwaukee.

The school's core curriculum consists of language arts, mathematics, hands-on science, and social studies. Students are grouped in multiage classrooms with an average of 20 students, 1 teacher, and 1 teaching assistant. Learning is driven by students' curiosity and is focused through a Project-Based interdisciplinary approach, with students sometimes working independently and other times on cooperative learning projects with partners or in small groups. Students in all grades take specialty classes in music, art, physical education, library studies, and French language, which are also integrated into the core curriculum to deepen the educational experience. A Time for Living curriculum allows teachers and students to focus on their rights and responsibilities to one another, the community, and the world. It includes student service projects with disadvantaged populations in the community.

Student learning assessment focuses on teacher-written evaluations, student-designed portfolios, and standardized tests that measure progress toward academic goals and mastery of local and Wisconsin standards. Parents are closely involved in all dimensions of the school. Each family makes a commitment of 20 hours of voluntary service upon enrollment.

Est. 2013 **212. Woodlands School East – State Street Campus**

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Grade Levels: K4-08

Woodlands School East (WSE) provides an education that encourages discovery, exploration and creativity within a constructivist learning environment. WSE places a strong emphasis on the integration of music, art, physical education, library studies, and foreign language (currently French) into the core discover-based curriculum. The school’s mission is to offer an innovative educational program of excellence for the whole child in a multicultural environment that prepares the child for lifelong learning in a rapidly changing society. Our philosophy emphasizes that involvement with people of many races and cultures enriches the growth of human understanding.

WSE currently serves students in K4-04 and will grow to serve 360 students K4-08, adding one grade each year. WSE’s goal is to reflect the demographics of the greater community it serves. While addressing the academic and learning needs of each student, we respect and embrace that which makes one unique, including but not limited to religion, culture, family structure, socio-economic status and ethnicity.

The focus on the whole child forms the basis of the school’s philosophy. Teachers work closely with one another to integrate individual disciplines into a common theme. Using themes in teaching allows students to put basic skills into real life context.

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Est. 2002 **213. 21st Century Preparatory School**

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Grade Levels: K4-08

21<sup>st</sup> Century Preparatory School was established in 2002 with beliefs of opportunity, high standards, collaboration, trust, respect, family involvement, celebration of diversity and a rigorous academic program. Simply stated, we are a school created where children learn, families feel welcome and engaged, and teachers and staff want to work and are highly valued for their efforts. Here students master a shared body of knowledge, skills, attitudes and habits of mind that are critical to success in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century and beyond.

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Est. 1996 **214. Core Knowledge® Charter School**

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Verona’s Core Knowledge® Charter School (CKCS) is a school of choice for students in kindergarten through eighth grade. It follows a rigorous curriculum that focuses on core academics. After extensive study, parent organizers chose the Core Knowledge® Sequence and Direct Instruction for CKCS’s educational program. The Core Knowledge® Sequence

Grade Levels: KG-08 identifies the subject matter to be covered in literature, science, geography, history, art, and music. The Direct Instruction program prescribes the content and instructional method teachers use for reading, mathematics, spelling, and writing. These are carefully sequenced and coordinated programs built on skills learned in prior years.

Est. 2013 **215. Exploration Academy**

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Exploration Academy, a personalized high school learning environment in Verona, will be an innovative approach to engage students (Grades 09-12) in real-world, application-based, and self-paced learning, while ensuring standards-based academic proficiency. The Exploration Academy will utilize an individualized program based upon four key components: Project-Based Learning, Technology-Infused Learning, Career Readiness and 21<sup>st</sup> Century Skill Development, and a focus on the development of the Whole Child.

Verona Area High School (VAHS) is represented by a diverse student population of 1500. Student demographics at VAHS have undergone a significant change over the course of the last decade. Therefore, it is imperative that VAHS meet the needs of students and prepare them for an ever evolving society by ensuring an educational option.

Est. 1995 **216. New Century School**

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New Century School in Verona was Wisconsin's first parent-initiated, elementary-level charter school. It serves children in grades KG-05 in multiage classrooms. New Century School was founded as a partnership for learning among students, teachers, and parents.

In the fall of 2010, New Century introduced an environmentally integrated curriculum. The classroom at New Century extends beyond the building's walls and into the surrounding natural areas, including the Upper Sugar River Watershed and Ice Age National Scenic Trail. The natural surroundings serve as the context within which core subjects (literacy, math, science, and social studies) are taught. The integrated curriculum provides an environmental context for learning and helps students acquire skills in all academic disciplines in an interconnected way, allowing for a consistent and relevant context for all instruction.

Beginning in 2014, New Century School also adopted a focus on STEM ( Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math). Specific STEM units are being offered during the school day and also through an active after school program. STEM concepts are also integrated throughout the curriculum along with maintaining our environmental emphasis.

Est. 2010 **217. Verona Area International School**

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Grade Levels: KG-05

A dedicated group of parents have founded a new charter: the Verona Area International School (VAIS). The vision of the school is to educate children from grade levels KG-05 in two languages simultaneously; while developing global competency to prepare them to work and solve problems in tomorrow's rapidly evolving and increasingly interconnected world. The Asia Society Partnership for Global Learning defines globally competent students as students who (1) investigate the world beyond their immediate environment, (2) recognize their own and others perspectives, (3) communicate their ideas effectively with a diverse audience, and (4) translate their ideas and findings into appropriate actions to improve conditions.

A key element of the school will be delivering a half-day each of content-based instruction (immersion) in Mandarin Chinese and English. This format will not only allow the powerful connection between languages and brain development to enhance student achievement, but will also drive competency in both Eastern and Western cultures. This is important, as true global competency includes the ability to function outside one's culture of origin.



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Est. 1999 **218. Laurel High School**

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Laurel High School is an alternative educational choice for high school students in grades 09-12. Enrollment is open to all high school students in Viroqua. The typical charter school student is a nontraditional learner who needs more challenging and active learning opportunities than are available in the regular high school. The staff looks to offer a secondary-level education program that is student-designed, learner-driven, and supported by a true collaborative community effort.

The charter school's overall mission is to offer self-motivated individuals new approaches to meet their academic and technical education needs; to challenge students to meet high standards of academic and social achievement and performance; to foster positive, respectful, and trusting relationships; and to ensure a successful transition to life after school through firsthand experience in goal setting, job seeking, job keeping, and technical college or university preparation.

Est. 2000 **219. Vernon County Better Futures High School**

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Vernon County Area Better Futures High School provides an alternative for students in grades 09-12 who are at risk of failing or dropping out of school because of difficulties integrating into traditional programs and meeting usual behavioral and academic expectations. The students have four main goals: (1) increasing academic achievement, (2) developing abilities to work with others, (3) increasing self-efficacy that is, the ability to attain goals set out for oneself, and (4) graduating from high school.

Students have a variety of learning opportunities: small-group instruction, individual projects, internet courses, correspondence courses, job shadowing, experiential learning, distance learning, and other educational opportunities developed by the student and teacher as needed to meet the goals in the independent learning plan. The school has modified hours of operation, Monday through Thursday from 11:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M. This allows students time to complete the required community-based learning program component.

Est. 2014 **220. Viroqua Area Montessori School**

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Viroqua Area Montessori School (VAMS) begins with two multi-age classrooms serving 60 students in 4-Kindergarten (K4) through grade 03, the school will ultimately grow to serve K4 through 6th grade students. The school will educate and inspire elementary children of various learning styles by providing a student centered, self-directed, hands-on, multi-age school environment based in the Montessori philosophy.



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Est. 2014

**221. Endeavor Charter School**

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At Endeavor Charter School, we believe that when students take an active role in their learning and are supported to pursue rich and personalized learning opportunities, amazing things are possible. Endeavor is a platform for students to thrive and grow in an interdisciplinary, self-paced, project-based learning environment that promotes problem solving, critical thinking, communication, collaboration, and creativity.

Endeavor opened its doors with 40 students, engaged in directed advisories to develop personalized learning plans that guide scholarship, essential habits, valuable skills, and individual growth throughout their high school journeys and beyond.



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Est. 2004

**222. eAchieve Academy-Wisconsin**

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Grade Levels: 06-12

eAchieve Academy - Wisconsin is devoted to making quality public education accessible for all students grades 06-12. A dynamic, interactive, virtual learning experience is delivered to students and their families who, for various reasons, are seeking a different kind of middle or high school environment. The mission is to provide a quality education for a wide variety of students by offering alternate solutions to traditional schooling utilizing current Internet technologies and proven teaching practices implemented by a team of professionals.

eAchieve has crafted a unique virtual middle and high school program that brings a comprehensive curriculum, technology, and choice together with individual needs and interaction. This multifaceted approach to education is based on strong learning partnership between parents, students, and their teachers.

eAchieve students access their district-approved courses at home via the internet. Instruction is provided by experienced, Wisconsin certified teachers who are highly qualified, trained subject matter experts. Students interact with their instructors in a variety of ways: e-mail, online discussions, and real-time online tutoring sessions (voice and whiteboard). eAchieve students can also access personnel, guidance, and career planning services, district student services, and library resources. eAchieve at Wisconsin is a comprehensive middle and high school program, and the content is appropriate for any middle and high school student in Wisconsin.

Est. 2014

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eAchieve Elementary is a unique, proficiency-based virtual charter school serving students in grades KG - 05, delivering a full elementary program online. Each week, the student's teacher creates a personalized learning plan specifically tailored to the individual student's needs and shares that plan with the family during their weekly, online check-in

meeting. Parents are responsible for ensuring the teacher-assigned tasks get done over the next seven days in the same way parents ensure assigned homework in a traditional school is completed each night.

The teacher will also meet with the student and/or parents at other times throughout the week to conduct assessments, answer questions, demonstrate skills and the use of resources, and provide feedback.

The weekly learning plan will include a wide variety of learning activities and assessments. Since eAchieve Elementary is a proficiency-based school, students are not bound by grade levels and will be presented with learning activities, resources, and assessments at the level they are ready to learn within each content area.

Students are provided with a brand new laptop computer which will be theirs to keep after the successful completion of the school year. All online resources will be provided by the school as well. While there is no material, textbook, or registration fee, families will be expected to provide basic school supplies and other easy-to-find materials for hands-on and creative activities. Families are also responsible for ensuring they have a reliable Internet connection.

Even though students are going to school from home, this is not a Home-Based Private Educational Program since teachers are the ones making curricular, instructional, and assessment decisions and determinations for each student.

Est. 2004 **224. Waukesha Academy of Health Professions**

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The Waukesha Academy of Health Professions offers exclusive educational opportunities for students grades 9-12 in the School District of Waukesha and open enrollment students from the greater Waukesha area who are interested in or wish to pursue allied health and medical careers. The academy provides a rigorous curriculum, focusing on:

- academic skills in health occupations
- science and math courses required for the health and medical professions
- job shadowing and service-learning
- co-op, Mentoring, and Youth Apprenticeship programs
- Project Lead The Way curriculum
- student choice and voice
- one on one conferring sessions with staff through a comprehensive learner profile, and,
- choice of two curriculum pathways

The first pathway prepares students for four-year college programs in pre-med/dental and various other health care professions. The second pathway prepares students for a two-year technical school programs and/or the workforce. Both pathways require students to participate in four years of health occupation classes; take specific courses in science, math, and English; focus around the learner experience; give access to a full compliment of elective opportunities and/or AP classes; and expose them to a host of community health care partners and their real world experiences!

Est. 2001 **225. Waukesha East Alternative School**

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The Waukesha East Alternative School is an umbrella for grades 09-12 at-risk and high-risk students that are in need of an alternative environment to better serve their emotional and learning needs. The Native American-based “Circle of Courage” philosophy, which is based on the belief that at-risk youth become disengaged from school or society because their circle is broken, meets students’ needs for belonging,

mastery, independence, and generosity. The school meets these needs in the following ways:

1. Belonging, by constructive relationships with peers and staff.
2. Mastery, by intense, focused, meaningful instruction in the core academics.
3. Independence, by supervised, successful, monitored work programs.
4. Generosity, by service-learning opportunities in the community.

The program's goals call for at least a 90 percent long-term success rate, a staff commitment to work in professional learning communities, and the informed use of technology as a learning tool.

Est. 2007 **226. Waukesha Engineering Preparatory Academy**

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Waukesha Engineering Preparatory Academy educates high school students 9-12 in a rigorous and relevant curriculum focusing on science, mathematics, engineering, and technology to create student interest as well as create a vital pipeline of college and work-ready students in these areas. This charter school, through strong collaboration with experts in the engineering profession, community industry and higher educational institutions, provides a solid foundation in technical knowledge and skills that is not only vital for success in this field, but also gives them a step up in post-secondary education! This includes:

- specialized courses at each grade level covering topics in all fields of study in engineering
- courses in language arts, science, math, and technology education which have a specific engineering focus and may count for college credit (such as transcript Project Lead The Way coursework and/or Advanced Placement courses) that will form the core academic requirements for academy students
- curriculum delivery that focuses on the learner experience and will utilize the latest advances in technology when possible such as computer software, robotics, and student-response systems
- community partner mentors who will provide students with opportunities for educational experiences both inside and outside of the school. These may include tutoring, career advising, and knowledge application experiences
- career counseling and job placement assistance
- access to state-of-the-art engineering and technology laboratory facilities through community partners
- a focused, personalized exploration of suitability for employment in engineering and technical fields
- required participation in mentoring and internship experiences with area business and industry partners
- student choice and voice, and
- one on one conferring sessions with staff through a comprehensive learner profile

Est. 2010 **227. Waukesha STEM Academy**

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The Waukesha STEM Academy, the KG-08 Charter School of the School District of Waukesha, features an educational philosophy focusing on Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) education. The school opened in September 2010 with 504 students currently in grades KG-05 at the Randall Campus and 325 students currently in grades 06-08 at the Saratoga Campus.

The Waukesha STEM Academy provides equal opportunities for all children to be involved in a unique, innovative, relevant, and rigorous

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elementary and middle school experience. Students receive differentiated instruction in the core academic areas through a science, technology, engineering, and mathematics Project-Based curriculum. STEM concepts and methodologies are integrated throughout all curricular areas. The STEM program is 21<sup>st</sup> Century Skills driven, standards-led, and focuses on how students learn. Instruction is based on research on learning and teaching in grades KG-80 and on research on learning science and mathematics as it relates to culture, gender, and society. Technology is an integral component in the daily exploration of every STEM and 21st Century Skills infused subject.



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Est. 2012

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SAGES is the new Charter School for Agricultural and Environmental Studies, located in Fox Lake, opening this fall with 125 students enrolled from Fox Lake, Waupun, Beaver Dam, Randolph, and Oshkosh.

SAGES offers a totally unique and interactive educational experience that focuses on excellence in core subject areas like Math, English, Science, and Social Studies while immersing students in the study of the area's rich environmental resources and agricultural heritage. SAGES' students will spend mornings in traditional classes like Math and English while afternoons will be spent engaging in a project-based learning and "digging deeper" into the study of the natural environment. Using key math, literacy, science, social studies, arts and technology skills, students will go out into the environment to conduct research, create projects, and gain a rich understanding of the agricultural history, biological diversity, and the future potential of the local environment. Project-Based learning requires students use 21st Century Skills like collaboration, creative thinking, communication and critical thinking in preparation for our changing world. Technology is an essential ingredient in student project research and development.



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Enrich, Excel, Achieve (EEA) Learning Academy is an instrumentality school serving students in grades 06-12. EEA's mission is to guide students to EXCEL academically, ENRICH their lives through positive relationships, and lead them to ACHIEVE lifelong success. One of the primary goals of EEA is to re-engage students who have become disenchanted with the traditional school setting. The school values are Preparation, Respect, Integrity, Determination and Excellence. Emphasis is on cognitive, behavioral and social emotional engagement. EEA provides an educational environment in which students succeed and grow academically and behaviorally. EEA focuses on brain research in all situations including a 9 a.m. incentive start time for students who are getting all their work done because research indicates middle and high

school students benefit from a later start time. EEA provides technology-based curriculum and direct instruction from teachers for individualized learning. The curriculum includes content-based courses and teacher designed classes in core content areas, finance, health, physical education, service learning, and career planning.

Est. 2005 **230. Wausau Area Montessori Charter School**

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The Wausau School District, in partnership with the Montessori Children's Village and Educational Center, established a charter school in the Wausau area serving students in five-year old Kindergarten through grade 06. The Wausau Area Montessori Charter School offers students learning experiences based upon the principles of Dr. Maria Montessori. As the Wausau population becomes increasingly diverse, the district and community realizes there is no single style or format of teaching that can successfully meet the needs of all children. The Montessori collaboration is a natural choice for this first elementary charter in Wausau because of its proven success for a wide range of children, from gifted to those with special needs. This venture has met with high acclaim in the community.

Est. 2010 **231. Wausau Engineering and Global Leadership Academy**

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Grade Levels: 09-12

The Wausau Engineering and Global Leadership Academy (Wausau EGL Academy) is a new opportunity for high school students in the Wausau School District and beyond. A Wausau EGL Academy graduate will be a student who has mastered rigorous academic standards through an innovative interdisciplinary and Project-Based learning environment. The students will be confident in who they are and in their own capacity to matter to the world around them. This confident understanding and personal leadership competence will translate into productive action and a creative interest in the future of our community. Key components include:

- Engineering design and development projects.
- Interdisciplinary science/technology/engineering/math.
- Leadership development and small group application.
- Business/community ethics.
- Global cultural competencies and world language studies.
- Technology infusion and practical competence.

Wausau EGL Academy will also become an exemplary model for collaboration - breaking down the walls of the classroom - bringing a variety of educational, business, and community organizations together around this innovative constructivist philosophy. Key partnerships with local engineering and business leaders will provide real world relevance to our student, various seminars, workshops, internships, and projects.

The Wausau EGL Academy Governing Council comprised of a majority of community members and parents will govern this school and lead this array of productive partnerships.



**Wauwatosa School  
District**  
CESA 01

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Est. 2011

### **232. Wauwatosa STEM – Science, Technology, Engineering & Math**

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The Wauwatosa School District is committed to providing our students opportunities to experience Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM) integrated learning opportunities. A STEM-based curriculum provides students with interdisciplinary learning experiences between the school subjects of science, technology, engineering, and mathematics. The goal is to cultivate students who are:

- Critical Thinkers
- Effective Communicators
- Innovators
- Problem Solvers
- Effective Collaborators
- Self-Directed Learners
- Informational and Media Literate
- Civic Minded and Engaged
- Financially and Economically Literate

The creation of relationships with public and private stakeholders in our community is vitally important as we work together towards improving STEM education both within and outside of our classrooms. The STEM provides an innovative and dynamic learning environment where students are encouraged to inquire, investigate and discover the world around them.

Est. 2013

### **233. Wauwatosa Virtual Academy**

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Wauwatosa Virtual Academy (WVA) is a charter school commissioned by the Wauwatosa School District. We offer a full array of individualized, rigorous on-line courses to students in grades 06-12. WVA prides itself on offering students class work that is engaging, flexibly-paced, and aligned with state standards. WVA offers customized programming to full- and part-time students within Wauwatosa and throughout the state of Wisconsin.

Students can access their courses anywhere there is internet access. They are monitored not only by Wisconsin-certified online teachers, but also by a WVA school counselor and teacher from Wauwatosa School District. In addition, students are supported locally through a designated, experienced teacher and guidance support network. Students interact with instructors via real-time chat, e-mail, LiveLessons, classroom discussion, and phone.

WVA, in partnership with Connections Learning, was commissioned by the Wauwatosa School Board to broaden its efforts locally and throughout the state in order to offer students meaningful options to traditional education. WVA has been successful with students looking for rigor and an individualized/accelerated pace as well as students who may have struggled with traditional school settings in the past.



**West Allis School District**  
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Est. 2012 **234. Shared Journeys**

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Shared Journeys is located in West Allis and is an instrumentality charter school of the West Allis/West Milwaukee School District, serving pregnant and parenting students.

This high school charter provides a menu of educational as well as outreach and community support options to best meet the unique needs of each individual student. Students are educated both in parenting and academics with potential coursework including: Literacy Investigations I and II, Power Hour I and II, Child Development I and II, Career and Social Aspects of Society I and II, Prenatal Coursework, Independent Study, Cooperative Education Employment as well as Compass Learning for online general studies. All the courses can be taken in a blended educational setting.

At Shared Journeys the belief is that all students must be prepared to positively parent their own child(ren) and achieve post-secondary training in a chosen career. This supports success in the 21st Century.



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CESA 06

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Est. 2013 **235. Pathways**

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Pathways charter school utilizes project-based learning in an interdisciplinary learning environment to assure students have mastered Common Core State Standards while focusing on the 16 Career Clusters. Our unique focus promotes strong ties to the local business community, which yields field experiences to further our innovative learning arena. Students implement their school-issued iPads as a creation tool to show standard mastery through roughly 4-week career-exploration projects while also demonstrating responsible digital citizenship. We use the relationship of technology, core academics, and our student's individualized learning plans to foster differentiated instruction that addresses the variety of learning styles, interests, and abilities found within our school.

Pathways' enrollment is capped at 90 students, grades 07-10 for the 2014-2015 academic year. We will add a new seventh grade class of approximately 25 students each academic year and expand to grades 07-12 with an enrollment cap of 150 by 2017-2018 academic year.



**West De Pere School District**  
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Est. 2007 **236. Phantom Knight School of Opportunity**

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Phantom Knight School of Opportunity provides a unique, non-traditional learning community which offers opportunities for students in

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Grade Levels: 07-12

grades 07-12 to become productive, responsible citizens of our community. Students develop the skills and recognize their ability to attend post-secondary institutions of higher learning.

The foundation of the academic program at Phantom Knight is Project-Based Learning. Instead of formal, subject-oriented classes, individuals and groups of students choose, plan, research, and complete academic study and hands-on projects that result in tangible, real-life products.

Learning experiences take place outside the confines of the school building (in the "real world") whenever possible; include community experts and cover broad academic areas of study. The activities require students to develop skills in time management, teamwork, communication, planning, self-assessment, problem solving, and meaningful applications of applied knowledge.



**Weyauwega-  
Fremont School  
District**  
CESA 06

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Est. 1998

### **237. Waupaca County Charter School**

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The Waupaca County Charter School (WCCS) is a collaborative effort of six school districts, the Waupaca County Department of Human Services, and one of Wisconsin's Cooperative Educational Service Agencies, CESA 5. The school serves students in grades 06-12. The administrative relationship among WCCS participants is unique. Although the Weyauwega-Fremont School District holds the charter, the charter school is a Non Instrumentality and is managed by CESA 5. CESA 5 employs all charter school personnel, including a coordinator who oversees daily operations and ensures educational goals are attained.



**Whitewater Unified  
School District**  
CESA 02

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Est. 2005

### **238. JEDI Virtual School**

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Grade Levels: K4-12

JEDI (Jefferson Eastern Dane Interactive) network is a consortium of nine school districts in Dane and Jefferson counties that work cooperatively to provide high-quality, distance-learning opportunities for students. JEDI Virtual High School harnesses the power of anytime, anyplace delivery of classes for students using emerging technologies. There are three key components that differentiate JEDI Virtual High School from existing Wisconsin virtual schools:

1. Each student meets with a certified counselor to develop a personal education plan.
2. Each student is assigned a learning coach to guide the student on a daily basis. The coach is under the direction of a certified JEDI teacher and lives in close proximity to the student in order to maintain personal contact.
3. Asynchronous virtual courses are created and taught by master teachers from within the JEDI network consortium.

Est. 2011 **239. Lincoln Inquiry Charter School**

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Lincoln Inquiry Charter School is focused on inquiry learning and the development of 21<sup>st</sup> century learning skills in a multiage setting with K/1, 2/3, and 4/5 classrooms. The school design responds to the need of our global and ever-changing technological world. Our goal is to create “curious learners” by providing a comprehensive learning experience through our six Essential E’s: Engage, Explore, Explain, Elaborate, Express, and Evaluate. We focus on 21<sup>st</sup> Century Learning Skills that promote creativity, thinking, problem solving, collaboration and communication. We integrate technology in purposeful ways to enhance the inquiry learning. We use a variety of technologies that helps students research, collect information, analyze that information and demonstrate their learning. In addition, we use the community as a resource, by having students connect with experts in the community, use the community as a context for learning and service projects, and by having extensive connections with UW-Whitewater.



**Whitnall School District**  
CESA 01

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Est. 2006 **240. CORE 4**

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Collaborating On Readiness Education for four-year olds (CORE 4) is a public charter school that was developed to serve as an organizational hub building a strong network of similar educational agencies and enhancing services to all families of four-year olds in the community.

The CORE 4 mission is to prevent or close achievement gaps that might occur among children with limited early learning experiences. Working together with area providers, CORE 4 increases opportunities for families to access quality learning environments and also links public health, social, library, and community agencies in codeveloping unique services to enable parents to better meet the needs of their growing children. The Parent Co-op component provides strong individual connections to each child’s family through participation in the classrooms and family programs.

The CORE 4 school was developed through an Integrated Comprehensive Services model to better meet the needs of children who may present learning challenges. A range of services can now be offered, as the Whitnall School District provides services to students with disabilities in both district and community settings. This ensures that each child will develop and grow with his or her peers, within the context of the community.



**Wisconsin Rapids Public Schools**  
CESA 05

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Est. 2008 **241. Mead Elementary Charter School**

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Mead Elementary School is a conversion charter school, designated as a Differentiated Service Learning Community. The unique school design addresses the social and academic needs of 430 students in grade K4-05. The design is built upon four pillars of success, determined to provide

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Grade Levels: K4-05

Mead students with essential learning for their future.

The Four Pillars of Success model incorporates researched best practices to assure success for every child as follows:

- 1) Differentiation – Learning is differentiated using a workshop model based on the Optimal Learning Model for increased success for students. Access to high-level technology, differentiated literacy and math resources, and opportunities for academic choice are essential to this pillar. The staff operates as a Professional Learning Community to determine clear learning targets, common assessments, and strategies for enrichment and intervention.
- 2) Service-Learning – Students participate in meaningful service to their school and community by integrating curriculum through service-learning projects. Students are involved in real-life projects that teach academic skills and civic responsibility.
- 3) Goal-Directed – Essential to this pillar is a vision for the future including career exploration and community involvement. Students set learning goals and self-monitor their progress toward their learning in order to achieve their Hopes and Dreams for their future.
- 4) Asset-Building – The 40 Developmental Assets are the measure of success for this pillar. Responsive Classroom strategies focus on social and academic learning through the daily morning meeting and teaching of CARES (Cooperation, Assertion, Responsibility, Empathy, Self-Control). Asset-building is the focus of Club Mead before- and after-school programs, parent and family activities, and parent communication. Free preschool programs and a variety of family activities are key to this pillar.

Est. 2012 **242. THINK Academy**

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The mission of THINK Academy is to deliver a dynamic learning experience rooted in brain-based research. The vision of THINK Academy is to inspire each child to be an independent thinker and be accountable for their own learning.

THINK Academy will offer a dynamic learning experience for students and parents who believe that brain-based education offers an opportunity for students to thrive in a child-centered, multi-sensory, engaging, exploratory, and authentic environment. THINK Academy will include the following distinctions under an umbrella of brain-based education: Interdisciplinary projects, Integrated technology through the use of the Big 6/Super 3 process, Leadership development, Responsive Classroom, Conscious Discipline and Professional Learning Communities. The new learning environment developed and maintained at THINK Academy will include: Student-centered instruction, Multi-sensory Stimulation, Multi-path Processing, Multimedia Experiences, Collaborative Work, Information Exchange, Inquiry-based Learning, Critical Thinking, Informed Decision Making, Integrated Technology, Real World Context and Authentic Assessments. The school will serve up to 130, K5-05 grade students.

# 4 Appendices

## Appendix A: Wisconsin Charter School Law 118.40

### 118.40 Charter schools. (1) Notice to state superintendent.

Whenever a school board intends to establish a charter school, it shall notify the state superintendent of its intention. Whenever one of the entities under sub. (2r) (b) or the director under sub. (2x) intends to establish a charter school, it shall notify the state superintendent of its intention by February 1 of the previous school year. A notice under this subsection shall include a description of the proposed school.

#### (1m) Petition.

(a) A written petition requesting the school board to establish a charter school under this section may be filed with the school district clerk. The petition shall be signed by at least 10% of the teachers employed by the school district or by at least 50% of the teachers employed at one school of the school district.

(b) The petition shall include all of the following:

1. The name of the person who is seeking to establish the charter school.
2. The name of the person who will be in charge of the charter school and the manner in which administrative services will be provided.
3. A description of the educational program of the school.
4. The methods the school will use to enable pupils to attain the educational goals under s. 118.01.
5. The method by which pupil progress in attaining the educational goals under s. 118.01 will be measured.
6. The governance structure of the school, including the method to be followed by the school to ensure parental involvement.
7. Subject to sub. (7) (a) and (am) and ss. 118.19 (1) and 121.02 (1) (a) 2., the qualifications that must be met by the individuals to be employed in the school.
8. The procedures that the school will follow to ensure the health and safety of the pupils.
9. The means by which the school will achieve a racial and ethnic balance among its pupils that is reflective of the school district population.
10. The requirements for admission to the school.
11. The manner in which annual audits of the financial and programmatic operations of the school will be performed.
12. The procedures for disciplining pupils.
13. The public school alternatives for pupils who reside in the school district and do not wish to attend or are not admitted to the charter school.
14. A description of the school facilities and the types and limits of the liability insurance that the school will carry.
15. The effect of the establishment of the charter school on the liability of the school district.

#### (2) Public hearing; granting of petition.

(a) Within 30 days after receiving a petition under sub. (1m) the school board shall hold a public hearing on the petition. At the hearing, the school board shall consider the level of employee and parental support for the establishment of the charter school described in the petition and the fiscal impact of the establishment of the charter school on the school district. After the hearing, the school board may grant the petition.

(b) A school board may grant a petition that would result in the conversion of all of the public schools in the school district to charter schools if all of the following apply:

1. At least 50% of the teachers employed by the school district sign the petition.
2. The school board provides alternative public school attendance arrangements for pupils who do not wish to attend or are not admitted to a charter school.

(c) The school board of the school district operating under ch. [119](#) shall either grant or deny the petition within 30 days after the public hearing. If the school board of the school district operating under ch. [119](#) denies a petition, the person seeking to establish the charter school may, within 30 days after the denial, appeal the denial to the department. The department shall issue a decision within 30 days after receiving the appeal. The department's decision is final and not subject to judicial review under ch. [227](#).

**(2m) School board initiative.**

(a) A school board may on its own initiative contract with a person to operate a school as a charter school. The contract shall include all of the provisions specified under sub. [\(1m\) \(b\)](#) and may include other provisions agreed to by the parties.

(am) At least 30 days before entering in a contract under this subsection that would convert a private school to a charter school or that would establish a charter school that is not an instrumentality of the school district, the school board shall hold a public hearing on the contract. At the hearing, the school board shall consider the level of employee and parental support for the establishment of the charter school and the fiscal impact of the establishment of the charter school on the school district.

(b) A school board may not enter into a contract under par. [\(a\)](#) that would result in the conversion of all of the public schools in the school district to charter schools unless the school board complies with sub. [\(2\) \(b\) 2.](#)

**(2r) Other initiatives.**

(a) In this subsection:

1. "Instructional staff" has the meaning given in the rules promulgated by the department under s. [121.02 \(1\) \(a\) 2.](#)

2. "Resident school board" means the school board of the school district in which a pupil resides.

(b)

1. All of the following entities may contract with a person to operate a charter school:

- a. The common council of the city of Milwaukee.
- b. The chancellor of the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee.
- c. On a pilot basis, the chancellor of the University of Wisconsin-Parkside.
- d. The Milwaukee area technical college district board.
- e. The Gateway technical college district board.
- f. The county executive of Waukesha County.
- g. The college of Menominee Nation.
- h. The Lac Courte Oreilles Ojibwa community college.

2. A charter shall include all of the provisions specified under sub. [\(1m\) \(b\) 3.](#) to [14.](#) A contract shall include all of the provisions specified under sub. [\(1m\) \(b\) 1.](#) to [14.](#) and shall specify the effect of the establishment of the charter school on the liability of the contracting entity under this paragraph. The contract shall also include all of the following provisions and may include other provisions agreed to by the parties:

- a. A requirement that the charter school governing board adhere to specified annual academic and operational performance standards developed in accordance with the performance framework of the entity with which it is contracting.
- b. Provisions detailing the corrective measures the charter school governing board will take if the charter school fails to meet performance standards.
- c. A provision allowing the governing board to open one or more additional charter schools if all of the charter schools operated by the governing board were assigned to one of the top 2 performance categories in the most recent school and school district accountability report published under s. [115.385](#). If the charter school governing board opens one or more additional charter schools, the existing contract applies to the new school or schools unless the parties agree to amend the existing contract or enter into a new contract.
- d. The methodology that will be used by the charter school governing board to monitor and verify pupil enrollment, credit accrual, and course completion.
- e. A requirement that the entity under subd. [1.](#) have direct access to pupil data.
- f. A description of the administrative relationship between the parties to the contract.
- g. A requirement that the charter school governing board hold parent-teacher conferences at least annually.
- h. A requirement that if more than one charter school is operated under the contract, the charter school governing board reports to the entity under subd. [1.](#) on each charter school separately.

i. A requirement that the charter school governing board provide the data needed by the entity under subd. [1.](#) for purposes of making the report required under sub. (3m) (a) 6. [sub. [\(3m\) \(f\)](#)].

NOTE: The correct cross-reference is shown in brackets. Corrective legislation is pending.

j. A requirement that the charter school governing board participate in any training provided by the entity under subd. [1.](#)

k. A description of all fees that the entity under subd. [1.](#) will charge the charter school governing board.

2m.

a. A charter or contract may include grounds for expelling a pupil from the charter school.

b. If the charter or contract includes grounds for expelling a pupil from the charter school as permitted under subd. [2m. a.](#), the charter or contract shall include the procedures to be followed by the charter school prior to expelling a pupil.

3. If an entity specified in subd. [1. a.](#) to [d.](#) was operating a charter school itself immediately prior to July 14, 2015, it may continue to do so.

4. No chartering or contracting entity under subd. [1.](#) may establish or enter into a contract for the establishment of a virtual charter school.

(bm)

1. The Gateway technical college district board may contract for the establishment of a charter school located only in the Gateway technical college district.

2. The county executive of Waukesha County may contract for the establishment of a charter school located only in Waukesha County.

(c) Only pupils who reside within the boundaries of the Gateway technical college district or in a county adjacent to the Gateway technical college district may attend a charter school established under a contract with the Gateway technical college district board.

(cp) The Gateway technical college district board may contract for the establishment of a charter school under this section only if the charter school operates only high school grades and provides a curriculum focused on science, technology, engineering, and mathematics, or occupational education and training.

(cq) The sum of the number of charter schools operating under a contract with the college of Menominee Nation and the number of charter schools operating under a contract with the Lac Courte Oreilles Ojibwa community college may not exceed 6.

(d) The chartering or contracting entity under par. [\(b\)](#) shall do all of the following:

1. Ensure that all instructional staff of charter schools under this subsection hold a license or permit to teach issued by the department.

2. Administer the examinations under s. [118.30 \(1r\)](#) or [118.301 \(3\)](#) and s. [121.02 \(1\) \(r\)](#) to pupils enrolled in charter schools under this subsection.

(dm) The operator of a charter school authorized under this subsection may provide transportation to pupils attending the charter school and may claim transportation aid under s. [121.58](#) for pupils so transported.

(e)

2m. In the 2013-14 school year, from the appropriation under s. [20.255 \(2\) \(fm\)](#), the department shall pay to the operator of the charter school an amount equal to \$7,925 multiplied by the number of pupils attending the charter school.

2n. In the 2014-15 school year, from the appropriation under s. [20.255 \(2\) \(fm\)](#), the department shall pay to the operator of the charter school an amount equal to \$8,075 multiplied by the number of pupils attending the charter school.

2p. In the 2015-16 school year and in each school year thereafter, for a pupil attending a charter school established by or under a contract with an entity under par. [\(b\) 1. a. to f.](#), from the appropriation under s. [20.255 \(2\) \(fm\)](#), the department shall pay to the operator of the charter school an amount equal to the sum of the amount paid per pupil under this paragraph in the previous school year; the amount of the per pupil revenue limit adjustment under s. [121.91 \(2m\)](#) for the current school year, if positive; and the change in the amount of statewide categorical aid per pupil between the previous school year and the current school year, if positive. The change in the statewide categorical aid per pupil shall be determined as follows:

a. Add the amounts appropriated in the current fiscal year under s. [20.255 \(2\)](#), except s. [20.255 \(2\) \(ac\)](#), [\(bb\)](#), [\(fm\)](#), [\(fr\)](#), [\(fu\)](#), [\(k\)](#), and [\(m\)](#); s. [20.285 \(1\) \(r\)](#) and [\(rc\)](#); and s. [20.505 \(4\) \(es\)](#) and [\(s\)](#).

NOTE: Subdpar. a. is amended eff. 7-1-17 by [2015 Wis. Act 55](#) to read:

a. Add the amounts appropriated in the current fiscal year under s. 20.255 (2), except s. 20.255 (2) (ac), (bb), (fm), (fr), (fu), (k), and (m); and s. 20.505 (4) (es) and (s).

b. Add the amounts appropriated in the previous fiscal year under the sections specified in subd. [2p. a.](#)

c. Subtract the sum under subd. [2p. b.](#) from the sum under subd. [2p. a.](#)

d. Divide the remainder under subd. [2p. c.](#) by the average of the number of pupils enrolled statewide in the 3 previous school years. In this subd. [2p. d.](#), "number of pupils enrolled" has the meaning given in s. [121.90 \(1\) \(intro.\)](#) and includes 40 percent of the summer enrollment.

3m. The department shall pay 25% of the total amount in September, 25% in December, 25% in February, and 25% in June. The department shall send the check to the operator of the charter school.

(f)

1. In the 2016-17 school year and in each school year thereafter, for a pupil attending a charter school established under a contract with an entity under par. [\(b\) 1. g.](#) or [h.](#), from the appropriation under s. [20.255 \(2\) \(fm\)](#), the department shall pay to the operator of the charter school an amount equal to the per pupil academic base funding the bureau of Indian education in the federal department of the interior provided to tribal schools under [25 CFR 39.1](#) to [39.1203](#) in the previous school year.

2. The department shall pay 25 percent of the total amount due to an operator of a charter school in September, 25 percent in December, 25 percent in February, and 25 percent in June. The department shall send the check to the operator of the charter school.

(g)

1. Beginning in the 2016-17 school year, subject to s. [121.085 \(1\)](#), the department shall decrease a school district's state aid payment under s. [121.08](#) by an amount calculated as follows:

a. Determine the number of pupils residing in the school district for whom a payment is made under par. [\(e\)](#) to an operator of a charter school established under contract with an entity under par. [\(b\) 1. e.](#) or [f.](#) in that school year.

b. Multiply the number of pupils under subd. [1. a.](#) by the per pupil amount calculated under par. [\(e\) 2p.](#) for that school year.

c. Determine the number of pupils residing in the school district for whom a payment is made under par. [\(f\)](#) in that school year.

d. Multiply the number of pupils under subd. [1. c.](#) by the per pupil amount calculated under par. [\(f\) 1.](#) for that school year.

e. Sum the amounts determined under subd. [1. b.](#) and [d.](#)

2. If a school district's state aid payment under s. [121.08](#) is insufficient to cover the reduction under subd. [1.](#), as determined under s. [121.085 \(2\)](#), the department shall decrease other state aid payments made by the department to the school district by the remaining amount.

3. The department shall ensure that the decrease under subd. [1.](#) does not affect the amount determined to be received by a school district as state aid under s. [121.08](#) for any other purpose.

(h) A charter school established under this subsection is a local educational agency under [20 USC 6301](#) to [6578](#) and as such is eligible for funding as a local educational agency, and shall comply with all requirements of local educational agencies, under [20 USC 6301](#) to [6578](#).

**(2x) Office of educational opportunity.**

(a) In this subsection:

1. "Director" means the special assistant to the president of the University of Wisconsin System appointed under s. [36.09 \(2\) \(c\)](#).

2. "Instructional staff" has the meaning given in the rules promulgated by the department under s. [121.02 \(1\) \(a\) 2.](#)

3. "Resident school board" means the school board of the school district in which a pupil resides.

(b)

1. The director may contract with a person to operate a charter school.

2. A contract to operate a charter school shall include all of the provisions specified under sub. [\(1m\) \(b\) 1.](#) to [14.](#) and shall specify the effect of the establishment of the charter school on the liability of the University of Wisconsin System under this paragraph. The contract shall also include all of the following provisions and may include other provisions agreed to by the parties:

- a. A requirement that the charter school governing board adhere to specified annual academic and operational performance standards developed in accordance with the performance framework of the person with which it is contracting.
- b. Provisions detailing the corrective measures the charter school governing board will take if the charter school fails to meet performance standards.
- d. The methodology that will be used by the charter school governing board to monitor and verify pupil enrollment, credit accrual and course completion.
- e. A requirement that the director have direct access to pupil data.
- f. A description of the administrative relationship between the parties to the contract.
- g. A requirement that the charter school governing board hold parent-teacher conferences at least annually.
- h. A requirement that if more than one charter school is operated under the contract, the charter school governing board reports to the director on each charter school separately.
- i. A requirement that the charter school governing board provide the data needed by the director for purposes of making the report required under sub. [\(3m\)\(f\)](#).
- j. A requirement that the charter school governing board participate in any training provided by the director.
- k. A description of all fees that the director will charge the charter school governing board.

3.

- a. A contract may include grounds for expelling a pupil from the charter school.
- b. If the contract includes grounds for expelling a pupil from the charter school as permitted under subd. [3. a.](#), the contract shall include the procedures to be followed by the charter school prior to expelling a pupil.

4. The director may not contract for the establishment of a virtual charter school.

(c) The director may contract for the establishment of a charter school located only in a school district whose membership, as defined in s. [121.004\(5\)](#), is more than 25,000 pupils.

(d) The director shall do all of the following:

- 1. Ensure that all instructional staff of charter schools established under this subsection hold a license or permit to teach issued by the department.
- 2. Administer the examinations under ss. [118.30\(1r\)](#) and [121.02\(1\)\(r\)](#) to pupils enrolled in charter schools established under this subsection.

(e)

1. Beginning in the 2016-17 school year, from the appropriation under s. [20.255\(2\)\(fp\)](#), for each pupil attending a charter school established under this subsection, the department shall pay to the operator of a charter school established under this subsection an amount equal to the per pupil amount paid to an operator of a charter school under sub. [\(2r\)\(e\)](#) in that school year.

2. The department shall pay 25 percent of the total amount in September, 25 percent in December, 25 percent in February, and 25 percent in June. The department shall send the check to the operator of the charter school.

(f)

1. Beginning in the 2016-17 school year, subject to s. [121.085\(1\)](#), the department shall decrease a school district's state aid payment under s. [121.08](#) by an amount calculated as follows:

- a. Determine the number of pupils residing in the school district for whom a payment is made under par. [\(e\)1.](#) in that school year.

- b. Multiply the number of pupils under subd. [1. a.](#) by the per pupil amount calculated under par. [\(e\)1.](#) for that school year.

2. If a school district's state aid payment under s. [121.08](#) is insufficient to cover the reduction under subd. [1.](#), as determined under s. [121.085\(2\)](#), the department shall decrease other state aid payments made by the department to the school district by the remaining amount.

3. The department shall ensure that the decrease under subd. [1.](#) does not affect the amount determined to be received by a school district as state aid under s. [121.08](#) for any other purpose.

**(3) Contract.**

(a) If the school board grants the petition under sub. [\(2\)](#), the school board shall contract with the person named in the petition under sub. [\(1m\)\(b\)1.](#) to operate the school as a charter school under this section. The contract shall include all of the provisions specified in the petition and may include other provisions agreed to by the parties.

(b) A contract under par. [\(a\)](#) or under sub. [\(2m\)](#), [\(2r\)](#), or [\(2x\)](#) may be for any term not exceeding 5 school years and may be renewed for one or more terms not exceeding 5 school years. The

contract shall specify the amount to be paid to the charter school during each school year of the contract.

(c)

1. A school board may not enter into a contract for the establishment of a charter school located outside the school district, except as follows:

a. If 2 or more school boards enter into an agreement under s. [66.0301](#) to establish a charter school, the charter school shall be located within one of the school districts.

b. If one or more school boards enter into an agreement with the board of control of a cooperative educational service agency to establish a charter school, the charter school shall be located within the boundaries of the cooperative educational service agency.

c. If a school board enters into an agreement with a federally recognized American Indian tribe or band in this state to establish a charter school, the charter school shall be located within the school district or within the boundaries of the tribe's or band's reservation.

1m. Subdivision [1](#) does not apply to the establishment of a virtual charter school.

2. A school board may not enter into a contract that would result in the conversion of a private, sectarian school to a charter school.

(f) A contract with a school board, an entity under sub. [\(2r\) \(b\)](#), or the director under sub. [\(2x\)](#) may provide for the establishment of more than one charter school, and a charter school governing board may enter into more than one contract with a school board, an entity under sub. [\(2r\) \(b\)](#), or the director under sub. [\(2x\)](#).

(g)

1. Except as provided in subs. [2](#) and [3](#), and sub. [\(4\) \(ar\) 1](#), a contract with a school board, an entity under sub. [\(2r\) \(b\)](#), or the director under sub. [\(2x\)](#) shall require that if the capacity of the charter school is insufficient to accept all pupils who apply, the charter school shall accept pupils at random.

2. A charter school shall give preference in enrollment to pupils who were enrolled in the charter school in the previous school year and to siblings of pupils who are enrolled in the charter school.

3. A charter school may give preference in enrollment to the children of the charter school's founders, governing board members, and full-time employees, but the total number of such children given preference may constitute no more than 10 percent of the charter school's total enrollment.

(h) A school board, an entity under sub. [\(2r\)](#), or the director under sub. [\(2x\)](#) may contract for the establishment of a charter school that enrolls only one sex or that provides one or more courses that enroll only one sex if the school board, entity under sub. [\(2r\)](#), or the director under sub. [\(2x\)](#) makes available to the opposite sex, under the same policies and criteria of admission, schools or courses that are comparable to each such school or course.

(3m) Authorizing entity duties. A school board, an entity under sub. [\(2r\) \(b\)](#), and the director under sub. [\(2x\)](#) shall do all of the following:

(a) Solicit and evaluate charter school applications.

(b) When contracting for the establishment of a charter school under this section, adhere to the principles and standards for quality charter schools established by the National Association of Charter School Authorizers.

(c) Give preference in awarding contracts for the operation of charter schools to those charter schools that serve children at risk, as defined in s. [118.153 \(1\) \(a\)](#).

(d) Approve only high-quality charter school applications that meet identified educational needs and promote a diversity of educational choices.

(e) In accordance with the terms of each charter school contract, monitor the performance and compliance with this section of each charter school with which it contracts.

(f) Annually, submit to the state superintendent and to the legislature under s. [13.172 \(2\)](#) a report that includes all of the following:

1. An identification of each charter school operating under contract with it, each charter school that operated under a contract with it but had its contract nonrenewed or revoked or that closed, and each charter school under contract with it that has not yet begun to operate.

2. The academic and financial performance of each charter school operated under contract with it.

3. The operating costs the school board, entity under sub. [\(2r\) \(b\)](#), or director under sub. [\(2x\)](#) incurred under pars. [\(a\)](#) to [\(e\)](#), detailed in an audited financial statement prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.

4. The services the school board, entity under sub. [\(2r\) \(b\)](#), or director under sub. [\(2x\)](#) provided to the charter schools under contract with it and an itemized accounting of the cost of the services.

**(4) Charter school governing board; duties, powers, and restrictions.**

(ag) *Governing board.* Each charter school shall be governed by a governing board that is a party to the contract with the authorizing entity. No more than a minority of the governing board's members may be employees of the charter school or employees or officers of the school district in which the charter school is located.

NOTE: Par. (ag) is created eff. 9-1-15 by [2015 Wis. Act 55](#).

(ar) *Duties.* A charter school governing board shall do all of the following:

1. If the charter school replaces a public school in whole or in part, give preference in admission to any pupil who resides within the attendance area or former attendance area of that public school.
2. Be nonsectarian in its programs, admissions policies, employment practices and all other operations.

(b) *Restrictions.* A charter school governing board may not do any of the following:

1. Charge tuition, except as otherwise provided in s. [121.83 \(4\)](#).
2. Except as provided in sub. [\(3\) \(h\)](#), discriminate in admission or deny participation in any program or activity on the basis of a person's sex, race, religion, national origin, ancestry, pregnancy, marital or parental status, sexual orientation or physical, mental, emotional or learning disability.

(d) *Powers.* Subject to the terms of its contract, a charter school governing board has all the powers necessary to carry out the terms of its contract, including all of the following:

1. To receive and disburse funds for school purposes.
2. To secure appropriate insurance.
3. To enter into contracts, including contracts with a University of Wisconsin institution or college campus, technical college district board, or private college or university, for technical or financial assistance, academic support, curriculum review, or other services.
4. To incur debt in reasonable anticipation of the receipt of funds.
5. To pledge, assign, or encumber its assets to be used as collateral for loans or extensions of credit.
6. To solicit and accept gifts or grants for school purposes.
7. To acquire real property for its use.
8. To sue and be sued in its own name.

**(5) Charter revocation.** A charter may be revoked by the school board, the entity under sub. [\(2r\) \(b\)](#), or the director under [\(2x\)](#) that contracted with the charter school if the school board or, if applicable, the entity under sub. [\(2r\) \(b\)](#) or the director under sub. [\(2x\)](#) finds that any of the following occurred:

(a) The charter school violated its contract with the school board, the entity under sub. [\(2r\) \(b\)](#), or the director under sub. [\(2x\)](#).

(b) The pupils enrolled in the charter school failed to make sufficient progress toward attaining the educational goals under s. [118.01](#).

(c) The charter school failed to comply with generally accepted accounting standards of fiscal management.

(d) The charter school violated this section.

**(6) Program voluntary.** No pupil may be required to attend a charter school without his or her approval, if the pupil is an adult, or the approval of his or her parents or legal guardian, if the pupil is a minor.

**(7) Legal status; applicability of school laws.**

(a) Except as provided in par. [\(am\)](#), the school board of the school district in which a charter school is located shall determine whether or not the charter school is an instrumentality of the school district. If the school board determines that the charter school is an instrumentality of the school district, the school board shall employ all personnel for the charter school. If the school board determines that the charter school is not an instrumentality of the school district, the school board may not employ any personnel for the charter school.

(am)

1. Except as provided in subs. [2.](#) and [3.](#), if a charter school is established under sub. [\(2m\)](#) and located in the school district operating under ch. [119](#), the school board of that school district shall determine whether or not the charter school is an instrumentality of the school district. If the school board determines that a charter school is an instrumentality of the school district, the school

board shall employ all personnel for the charter school. If the school board determines that a charter school is not an instrumentality of the school district, the school board may not employ any personnel for the charter school.

2. A charter school established under sub. (2r) or (2x) or a private school located in the school district operating under ch. 119 that is converted to a charter school is not an instrumentality of any school district and no school board may employ any personnel for the charter school. If the chancellor of the University of Wisconsin-Parkside contracts for the establishment of a charter school under sub. (2r), the board of regents of the University of Wisconsin System may employ instructional staff for the charter school. If the Gateway technical college district board contracts for the establishment of a charter school under sub. (2r), Gateway technical college may employ instructional staff for the charter school.

3. Notwithstanding subd. 2., if the city of Milwaukee contracts with an individual or group operating for profit to operate a school as a charter school, the charter school is an instrumentality of the school district operating under ch. 119 and the board of the school district operating under ch. 119 shall employ all personnel for the charter school.

4. If a school board enters into an agreement with a federally recognized American Indian tribe or band in this state to establish a charter school under sub. (3) (c) 1. c., that school board shall determine whether the charter school is an instrumentality of the school district regardless of the location of the charter school.

(ar) Nothing in this section affects the rights of personnel of a charter school that is an instrumentality of a school district to engage in collective bargaining pursuant to subch. IV of ch. 111.

(b) Except as otherwise explicitly provided, chs. 115 to 121 do not apply to charter schools.

**(8) Virtual charter schools.**

(a) *Location.* For the purposes of sub. (7) (a), (am), and (ar), a virtual charter school is considered to be located in the following school district:

1. If a school board contracts with a person to establish the virtual charter school, in the school district governed by that school board.

2. If 2 or more school boards enter into an agreement under s. 66.0301 to establish the virtual charter school, or if one or more school boards enter into an agreement with the board of control of a cooperative educational service agency to establish the virtual charter school, in the school district specified in the agreement.

(b) *Licensure.*

1. The governing body of a virtual charter school shall assign an appropriately licensed teacher for each online course offered by the virtual charter school. No person holding only a permit to teach exclusively in a charter school may teach in a virtual charter school, and no person holding both a license to teach exclusively in a charter school and a license to teach in other public schools may teach, in a virtual charter school, a subject or at a level that is not authorized by the latter license.

2. If a pupil attends a virtual charter school, any person providing educational services to the pupil in the pupil's home, other than instructional staff of the virtual charter school, is not required to hold a license or permit to teach issued by the department.

3. The department may not require a person licensed as provided under subd. 1. to complete professional development not required of any other individual required to be licensed under s. 118.19.

(c) *Staff duties.* In a virtual charter school, an instructional staff member is responsible for all of the following for each pupil the instructional staff member teaches:

1. Improving learning by planned instruction.

2. Diagnosing learning needs.

3. Prescribing content delivery through class activities.

4. Assessing learning.

5. Reporting outcomes to administrators and parents and guardians.

6. Evaluating the effects of instruction.

(d) *Required days and hours.* A virtual charter school shall do all of the following:

1. Provide educational services to its pupils for at least 150 days each school year.

2. Ensure that its teachers are available to provide direct pupil instruction for at least the applicable number of hours specified in s. 121.02 (1) (f) each school year. No more than 10 hours in any 24-hour period may count toward the requirement under this subdivision.

3. Ensure that its teachers respond to inquiries from pupils and from parents or guardians of pupils by the end of the first school day following the day on which the inquiry is received.

(e) *Parent advisory council.* The governing body of a virtual charter school shall ensure that a parent advisory council is established for the school and that it meets on a regular basis. The governing body shall determine the selection process for members of the parent advisory council.

(f) *Required notices.* At the beginning of each school term, the governing body of a virtual charter school shall inform the parent or guardian of each pupil attending the virtual charter school, in writing, the name of, and how to contact, each of the following persons:

1. The members of the school board that contracted for the establishment of the virtual charter school and the administrators of that school district.
2. The members of the virtual charter school's governing body, if different than the persons under subd. [1](#).
3. The members of the virtual charter school's parent advisory council established under par. [\(e\)](#).
4. The staff of the virtual charter school.

(g) *Pupil's failure to participate.*

1. Whenever a pupil attending a virtual charter school fails to respond appropriately to a school assignment or directive from instructional staff within 5 school days, the governing body of the virtual charter school shall notify the pupil's parent or guardian.

2. Subject to subd. [2m](#), the third time in the same semester that a pupil attending a virtual charter school fails to respond appropriately to a school assignment or directive from instructional staff within 5 school days, the governing body of the virtual charter school shall also notify the school board that contracted for the establishment of the virtual charter school, the school board of the pupil's resident school district, and the department. The school board that contracted for the establishment of the virtual charter school may transfer the pupil to his or her resident school district. If the pupil is a resident of the school district that contracted for the establishment of the virtual charter school, the school board may assign the pupil to another school or program within that school district. If the school board transfers or assigns a pupil, it shall notify the pupil's parent or guardian and the department.

2m. If the parent or guardian of a pupil attending a virtual charter school notifies the virtual charter school in writing before a school assignment or directive is given that the pupil will not be available to respond to the assignment or directive during a specified period, the school days during that period do not count for purposes of subd. [2](#). The virtual charter school shall require the pupil to complete any assignment missed during the period. This subdivision applies to no more than 10 school days in a school year.

3. The parent or guardian of a pupil transferred to the pupil's resident school district under subd. [2](#) may appeal the transfer to the department within 30 days after receipt of the notice of transfer. The department shall affirm the school board's decision unless the department finds that the decision was arbitrary or unreasonable.

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History: [1993 a. 16, 490](#); [1995 a. 27 ss. 3983m to 3992m, 9145 \(1\)](#); [1997 a. 27, 238, 252](#); [1999 a. 9](#); [1999 a. 150 s. 672](#); [2001 a. 16, 105](#); [2003 a. 33, 156](#); [2005 a. 25, 111, 346](#); [2007 a. 222](#); [2009 a. 28, 61, 276](#); [2011 a. 10, 32, 105](#); [2013 a. 20](#); [2013 a. 173 s. 33](#); [2013 a. 257](#); [2015 a. 55](#); s. 35.17 correction in (2r) (e) 2p. a.

A public school district did not violate the equal protection clause of the U.S. constitution by refusing to bus the students of a charter school created under sub. (2r) located within its geographical boundaries. *Racine Charter One, Inc. v. Racine Unified School District*, [424 F.3d 677](#)(2005).

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**Appendix B:  
New Charter Schools Opened in 2015-16**

	<i>Location Number</i>	<i>Authorizer</i>	<i>Charter School</i>	<i>Grades</i>
1	17	0170 Ashland School District	0400 Ashland Charter High School	09-12
2	26	0441 Birchwood School District	0800 Bobcat Virtual Academy	K4-12
3	47	1421 De Soto Area School District	0810 De Soto Virtual School	K4-12
4	51	1638 Elkhorn Area School District	0800 Elkhorn Options Virtual School	K4-12
5	83	2800 Kewaskum School District	0100 i4Learning Community School	K4-05
6	103	3360 Mauston School District	0110 Mauston Montessori Charter School	K4-02
7	148	1526 Northland Pines School District	0110 Northland Pines Montessori Learning Center (NPMLC)	K4-04
8	149	1526 Northland Pines School District	0410 School of Options and Applied Research (S.O.A.R.) High School	08-12
9	154	3654 Northwood School District	0800 Northwood Virtual Charter School	K4-12
10	196	5607 Stevens Point Area School District	0290 Point of Discovery School	06-08
11	197	5747 Tomah Area School District	0110 Tomah Area Montessori School	K4-03
12	199	5810 Turtle Lake School District	0810 Laker Online Virtual Charter School	KG-12
13	202	8135 UW-Milwaukee	0100 La Casa de Esperanza Charter School	K4-08

## Appendix C: Closed Charter Schools

<i>Authorizer</i>	<i>Charter School</i>	<i>Opened</i>	<i>Grades</i>	<i>School Type</i>	<i>Reason for Closing</i>
<b>2014-15 Closed Schools: 14</b>					
Flambeau School District	Whitetail Academy Charter School	2006	09-12	At-Risk	Low enrollment
Hartland-Lakeside J3 School District	Hartland School of Community Learning	2010	03-05	All student primary types	Other - no longer charter status
Hartland-Lakeside J3 School District	LIFE Charter School	2010	06-08	All student primary types	Other - no longer charter status
Hayward Community School District	Waadookodaading Charter School	2001	PK-05	All student primary types	Financial reasons
Kiel Area School District	Meeme LEADS Charter School	2005	K4-03	All student primary types	Financial difficulties and Low enrollment
Kimberly Area School District	Kornerstone Charter School	2011	08-12	All student primary types	Low enrollment
Milwaukee Public Schools	Banner School of Milwaukee	2013	06-08	All student types	Financial difficulties; Low enrollment; and Academic
Milwaukee Public Schools	Hawley Environmental School	2010	K4-05	All student primary types	Other - no longer charter status
Oconto Unified School District	Oconto Literacy Charter School	2007	K4-02	All student primary types	Financial reasons
Oshkosh Area School District	Oakwood Environmental Education Charter School	2003	K4-05	All student primary types	Other - no longer charter status
River Falls School District	River Falls eSchool	2014	06-12	All student primary types	Low enrollment
River Valley School District	River Valley Elementary Studio School	2011	KG-05	All student primary types	Other
Spooner Area School District	SAVE Academy Area Virtual Academy	2013	K4-12	All student primary types	Low enrollment
Tomorrow River School District	Central Wisconsin Virtual School	2014	06-12	All student types	Other
<b>2013-14 Closed Schools: 23</b>					
Appleton Area School District	United Public Montessori (UPM)	2010	07-11	All student primary types	Low enrollment
Black River Falls School District	Black River Area Green School (BRAGS)	2009	10-12	All student primary types	Other - no longer charter status
Chetek-Weyerhaeuser Area School District	Red Cedar Environmental Institute	2011	06-08	All student primary types	
Flambeau School District	Flambeau Career Charter School	2003	11-12	Other - Grades 11-12 Project Based	Other - no longer charter status
Janesville School District	Janesville Academy for International Studies	2005	11-12	All student primary types	Low enrollment
Lena Public School District	Lena Education Alternative Network Charter (LEAN)	2005	KG-12	At-Risk	Other - no longer charter status
Lodi School District	Gibraltar Charter School	2000	09-12	At-Risk	Other - no longer charter status
McFarland School District	Wisconsin Virtual Academy (WIVA)	2003	KG-12	All student primary types	Other – Closed this school to open an elementary and high school
Mellen School District	Mellen Technology Charter School	2007	10-12	At-Risk	Other - no longer charter status
Mercer School District	Mercer Environmental Tourism	2007	07-12	All student primary types	Other - no longer charter status
Milwaukee Public Schools	Career and Technical Education	2011	06-12	All student types	Contract not renewed
Milwaukee Public Schools	Fairview School	2001	K3-08	All student primary types	Other - no longer charter status

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Milwaukee Public Schools	Humboldt Park K-8 School	2004	K3-08	All student primary types	Financial difficulties
Milwaukee Public Schools	Kosciuszko Montessori Charter School	2006	K3-03	All student primary types	Contract not renewed
Milwaukee Public Schools	Milwaukee Excel High School	2011	09-12	At-Risk	Low enrollment and academic reasons
Milwaukee Public Schools	North Division High School	2011	09-12	All student types	
Milwaukee Public Schools	Transformation Learning Community	2011	11-12	At-Risk	Contract not renewed
Milwaukee Public Schools	Westside Academy I & II	2000	K3-08	All student primary types	Low enrollment and financial reasons
Monroe School District	Monroe Independent Virtual Charter High School	2003	09-12	At-Risk	Financial difficulties
Monroe School District	Monroe Virtual Middle School	2006	06-08	At-Risk	Financial difficulties
Portage Community School District	Portage Virtual School	2012	07-12	All student primary types	Academic performance and financial reasons
UW-Milwaukee	YMCA Young Leaders Academy	2002	K4-08	All student primary types	Merging with Milw College Prep
Waukesha School District	Project Change Alternative Recovery School	2002	09-12	At-Risk	Low enrollment

**2012-13 Closed Schools: 20**

Crandon School District	Crandon Alternative Resource School	2000	07-12	At-Risk	Other – no longer charter status
Cumberland School District	Island City Research Academy	2007	07-08	All student primary types	Merged with Island City Academy
Green Lake School District	Green Lake Global and Environmental Academy	2008	07-08	All student primary types	Low enrollment
Milwaukee Public Schools	Audubon Technology & Communications Center	2001	06-08	All student primary types	Other – no longer charter status
Milwaukee Public Schools	Audubon Technology and Communication Center High School	2008	09-12	All student primary types	Other – no longer charter status
Milwaukee Public Schools	International Peace Academy High	2008	09-10	All student primary types	Other - Merged-With-HAPA Charter School
Milwaukee Public Schools	Professional Learning Institute	2003	09-12	At-Risk	Low enrollment
Monroe School District	Monroe Alternative Charter School	1998	09-12	At-Risk	Financial difficulties; Low enrollment; and Academic
New London School District	School of Enterprise Marketing	2007	10-12	All student primary types	Other – no longer charter status
Oak Creek-Franklin Joint School District	Early Learning Academy	2006	K4-K4	All student primary types	Other – no longer charter status
Oshkosh Area School District	Franklin Key to Learning Charter School	2007	PK-05	All student primary types	Other – no longer charter status
Portage Community School District	River Crossing Environmental Charter School	2002	07-08	All student primary types	Financial reasons
Rhineland School District	Rhineland Environmental Stewardship Academy	2007	06-12	All student primary types	Low enrollment
Ripon Area School District	Crossroads Academy	2008	06-12	At-Risk	Other – converted to program
Sheboygan Area School District	A2 Charter School	2007	04-05	All student primary types	Contract not renewed due low enrollment
Sheboygan Area School District	Washington School for Comprehensive Literacy	2006	K4-05	All student primary types	100 year old building was no longer safe for students to attend.
Shiocton School District	Shiocton International Leadership Academy	2011	06-12	All student primary types	Financial reasons
Stevens Point Area School District	Roosevelt IDEA School	2004	PK-06	All student primary types	Academic reasons

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Wisconsin Rapids Public Schools	Central Cities Health Institute	2005	11-12	Health Careers	Financial difficulties
Wisconsin Rapids Public Schools	Vesper Community Academy	2008	K4-08	All student primary types	Financial difficulties

**2011-12 Closed Schools: 17**

Beloit School District	Eclipse Center Charter School	2007	09-12	At-Risk	Other – merger
Birchwood School District	Birchwood Discovery Center	2008	KG-08	All student primary types	Other – no longer charter status
Denmark School District	Denmark Empowerment Charter School	2001	07-12	All student primary types	Financial difficulties
Kenosha Unified School District No. 1	Paideia Academy	1997	06-08	Other - Grade 6-7-8	Other – merger
Kimberly Area School District	Caring Opportunities for Recovery Education (CORE)	2005	09-12	At-Risk	Low enrollment and financial difficulties
Middleton Cross Plains Area School District	Middleton Alternative High School	1996	10-12	At-Risk	Other – converted to program
Milwaukee Public Schools	Advanced Language and Academic Studies	2004	09-12	All student primary types	Other – no longer charter status
Milwaukee Public Schools	James Madison Academic Campus	2007	09-12	All student primary types	Other – no longer charter status
Milwaukee Public Schools	Milwaukee Academy of Chinese Language	2007	K4-08	Adult (18-21 year olds)	Other – no longer charter status
Milwaukee Public Schools	Milwaukee School of Entrepreneurship	2004	11-12	All student primary types	Financial difficulties
Milwaukee Public Schools	Montessori High School, An IB World School	2007	09-12	All student primary types	Did not renew contract
Milwaukee Public Schools	School for Urban Planning and Architecture	2007	09-12	All student primary types	Other – inability to fulfill educational mission
Milwaukee Public Schools	Wings Academy	2002	01-12	Other - Special education students - LD, ADHD	Financial difficulties
Milwaukee Public Schools	Wisconsin Career Academy	2000	06-12	All student primary types	Low enrollment
Milwaukee Public Schools	WORK (Where Opportunities Require Knowledge) Institute	2007	09-12	At-Risk	Financial difficulties and low enrollment
Oconto Falls Public School District	Spruce School	1998	01-05	All student primary types	Financial difficulties and low enrollment
Wauwatosa School District	Tosa School of the Trades	2009	11-12	All student primary types	Low enrollment

**2010-11 Closed Schools: 14**

Appleton Area School District	Appleton Community Learning Center	2000	07-08	At-Risk	ACLCL programming offered through High School
Holmen School District	Ventures Charter School	2008	06-08	Project-Based	Financial difficulties
Janesville School District	CRES (Community Recovery Education Service) Academy	2007	09-12	Other - Students in Addiction Recovery	Financial difficulties
Menomonie Area School District	Lucas Charter School	1998	09-12	Adult (18-21 year olds)	Financial difficulties
Milwaukee Public Schools	Fritsche Middle School	1999	06-08	All student primary types	
Racine Unified School District	McKinley Middle Charter School	2000	2011	General/Liberal Arts	Transitioning to an IB Candidate school.
Ripon School District	Ripon Exploration & Application Charter High (REACH)	2006	09-11	Other	Academic performance problems
Sheboygan Area School District	The Etude School	2007	09-12	All student primary types	
Stevens Point Area School District	Jefferson School for the Arts	2004	PK-06	All student primary types	

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Stevens Point Area School District	Wisconsin River Academy	2003	11-12	Project-Based	
UW-Milwaukee	Business & Economics Academy of Milwaukee (BEAM)	2001	PK-08	All student primary types	Closed this school and opened one under MPS
UW-Milwaukee	Milwaukee Renaissance Academy	2007	06-12	All student primary types	Financial difficulties
Wausau Area School District	New Horizons Charter School	2005	07-08	At-Risk	Combined with another school.
Winter School District	Pathways	2007	11-12	All student primary types	Financial difficulties

**2009-10 Closed Schools: 17**

City of Milwaukee	Academy of Learning and Leadership	2003	K4-08	Expeditionary Learning	Failure to meet academic goals
Hurley School District	Dr Joseph Lalich Charter School	2000	09-12	At-Risk	More as an alternative program
Milwaukee Public Schools	Downtown Institute of Arts and Letters (DIAL HS)	2006	09-12	Arts/Culture	Academic performance problems
Milwaukee Public Schools	Foster and Williams High School of the Visual	2007	09-12	Project-Based	Academic performance problems
Milwaukee Public Schools	Milwaukee Learning Laboratory and Institute	2005	09-12	Project-Based	Academic performance problems
Milwaukee Public Schools	Northern Star School	2002	06-08	At-Risk	Financial difficulties
Milwaukee Public Schools	W.E.B. Du Bois High School	2005	09-12	Communication/Technology/Project-Based	Academic performance problems
Monona Grove School District	Monona Grove Alternative High School	1998	10-12	At-Risk	Other – no longer charter status
Oshkosh Area School District	East High Charter School	2004	09-12	At-Risk	Financial difficulties
Oshkosh Area School District	Merrill Elementary Healthy Living Charter	2006	KG-05	Other - Healthy Living	Academic performance problems
Sheboygan Area School District	Riverview Academy Charter School	2005	09-12	At-Risk	Other – no longer charter status
South Milwaukee School District	Connects Learning Center	2000	09-12	At-Risk	Other – converted to program
Stevens Point Area School District	McDill Academies	2002	KG-06	General/Liberal Arts	Other – no longer charter status
Stevens Point Area School District	McKinley Center	1999	KG-06	General/Liberal Arts	Other – no longer charter status
Stevens Point Area School District	Washington Service Learning Center	2004	KG-06	Service Learning	Other – no longer charter status
Trevor-Wilmot Consolidated Grade School District	Bright Horizons Charter School	2005	K4	At-Risk	Low student enrollment
UW-Milwaukee	Inland Seas School of Expeditionary Learning	2006	09-12	Environmental	Low student enrollment

**2008-09 Closed Schools: 19**

Argyle School District	Argyle Land Ethic Academy	2004	11-12	Environmental	Low student enrollment
Beaver Dam School District	Beaver Dam Charter School	1995	06-12	At-Risk	Other – no longer charter status
Beloit School District	Synecotics Middle School	2003	06-08	Gifted/Talented	Other – consolidated with other charter schools
Deerfield Community School District	LEAPP - Life Education and Preparation Program	1997	10-12	At-Risk	Other – no longer charter status
Eau Claire Area School District	Chippewa Valley Technology Charter School	2000	09-12	Technology/Vocational	Other – converted to program
Kohler Public Schools	Northeast Wisconsin Online Charter School	2004	06-12	Virtual	Other – converted to program

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Milwaukee Public Schools	Carter School of Excellence	2003	K3-05	African Centered	Academic performance problems
Milwaukee Public Schools	CITIES Project High School	2004	09-12	General/Liberal Arts/Project-Based	Academic performance problems
Milwaukee Public Schools	Genesis High School	2004	09-11	General/Liberal Arts	Low student enrollment
Milwaukee Public Schools	Milwaukee African American Immersion High School	2007	09-12	At-Risk	Low student enrollment
Milwaukee Public Schools	Milwaukee Business High School	2008	09-12	Business/Marketing/Project-Based	Low student enrollment
Milwaukee Public Schools	Milwaukee Leadership Training Center	2001	05-08	At-Risk	Low student enrollment
Milwaukee Public Schools	Preparatory School for Global Leadership	2004	06-09	General/Liberal Arts/Project-Based	Financial difficulties
Milwaukee Public Schools	Truth Institute for Leadership and Service	2004	09-11	Leadership/Service	Other – merger
Monroe School District	Monroe Alternative Middle Charter School (MMS)	2005	06-08	At-Risk	Other – converted to program
Northern Ozaukee School District	Honors Hi Online	2007	09-10	Virtual	Other – merger
Richland School District	Comprehensive Learning Center	2000	09-12	At-Risk	Other – teacher licensure
Sheboygan Area School District	SUCCESS Academy Charter School	2007	06-12	At-Risk	Financial difficulties and Other – converted to program
West Allis School District	Academy of Learning -21 <sup>st</sup> Century Skills Model	2001	09-12	At-Risk	Other – converted to program

**2007-08 Closed Schools: 20**

Baraboo School District	Baraboo Hills Elementary School	2006	KG-02	General/Liberal Arts	Financial difficulties
Central/Westosha UHS School District	Westosha Central Charter School	2007	11-12	General/Liberal Arts	Other – converted to program
City of Milwaukee	Maasai Institute	2005	09-12	General/Liberal Arts	Financial difficulties
Clinton Community School District	LIFT Charter School	2004	PK-01	Language	Other – converted to a program
Colfax School District	Academic Center - High School	1999	09-12	At-Risk	Low student enrollment
Drummond Area School District	Ascend Academy	2001	08-12	At-Risk	Financial difficulties
Grantsburg School District	Grantsburg Virtual School	2004	05-12	Virtual	Other - merger
Hamilton School District	Passage Middle School	2000	07-09	At-Risk	Low student enrollment
Kewaunee School District	Lakeshore Alternative School	2000	11-12	At-Risk	Other – converted to a program
Marshfield School District	Marshfield Human Services Academy	2006	09-12	Technology/Vocational	Other – converted to a program
Mauston School District	Mauston Alternative Resource School	1999	06-08	At-Risk	Other – converted to a program
Menasha Joint School District	Chance II Charter School	2005	09-10	At-Risk	Other – loss of building
Milwaukee Public Schools	Milwaukee Academy of Aviation, Science & Tech	2005	09-09	Math/Science	Financial difficulties, Low student enrollment and Academic performance problems
Monroe School District	Abraham Lincoln Accelerated Learning Academy	2006	K4-05	Other – Accelerated Schools Plus	Other – converted to a program
New London School District	CASTLE Charter School	2002	09-12	At-Risk	Other – no longer charter status

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Osceola School District	Osceola Careers Charter School	2006	11-12	Project-Based	Other – converted to a program
Oshkosh Area School District	EAA/OASD Third Grade Aviation Charter School	2001	03-03	Math/Science	Other – converted to a program
Parkview School District	Parkview Charter High School	1999	10-12	At-Risk	Other – joined a consortium
Waupun School District	Waupun Alternative High School	2000	09-12	General/ Liberal Arts	Financial difficulties
Wisconsin Dells School District	Kilbourn Academy	2000	09-12	At-Risk	Other – no longer charter status

**2006-07 Closed Schools: 8**

Appleton Area School District	Dan Spalding Academy Charter School	2004	07-12	At-Risk	Academic performance problems
Argyle School District	Lafayette County Community Charter School	2003	09-12	General/ Liberal Arts	Other – converted to a program
Milwaukee Public Schools	Aurora Weier Early College Bilingual High School	2005	09-12	At-Risk	Academic performance problems
Milwaukee Public Schools	Malcolm X Academy	2002	06-08	At-Risk	Other - merger
Milwaukee Public Schools	Siefert Charter School	2002	HD-05	General/ Liberal Arts	Other – converted to a program
Milwaukee Public Schools	Walker International Middle School	1999	06-08	General/ Liberal Arts	Other - merger
Neillsville School District	Clark County Charter School	1999	09-12	At-Risk	Financial difficulties
Oshkosh Area School District	Journey's School	2004	07-12	Project-Based	Low student enrollment

**2005-06 Closed Schools: 11**

Gilman School District	Gilman Charter School	2001	07-12	At-Risk	Other – not specified
Jefferson School District	Jefferson County Alternative School (program 2006)	1999	09-12	At-Risk	Other – converted to a program
Ladysmith Hawkins School District	Alternative Program 2	2003	09-12	At-Risk	Other – not specified
Menasha Joint School District	School on the Lake	2000	06-08	Environmental	Other – not specified
Milwaukee Public Schools	Community Business and Trade Center	2004	09-10	At-Risk	Academic performance problems
Milwaukee Public Schools	Juneau Business High School	2001	09-12	General/ Liberal Arts	Low student enrollment
Milwaukee Public Schools	New Hope Institute of Science and Technology	2003	06-12	General/ Liberal Arts	Financial difficulties
Milwaukee Public Schools	Phoenix Charter School	2001	09-12	At-Risk	Academic performance problems
Milwaukee Public Schools	School of Humanities	2004	09-11		Low student enrollment
Omro School District	Enterprise Charter School	2000	06-12	At-Risk	Other – not specified
Prairie du Chien Area School District	Eastman Community Home Organization Elementary School	2000	K4-05	General/ Liberal Arts	Financial difficulties

**2004-05 Closed Schools: 8**

Lake Geneva Area Schools	Badger Career Campus	2000	09-12	Technology/ Vocational	Financial difficulties
Maple School District	Richard I. Bong Memorial Academy	2000	07-08	At-Risk	Other – contract not renewed
Milwaukee Public Schools	Afro Urban Institute Charter High School	2002	09-12	At-Risk	Academic performance problems
Milwaukee Public Schools	Learning Enterprise Vocational and Training Inst	2001	11-12	Technology/ Vocational	Other – mutual agreement to terminate contract

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Stevens Point Area School District	Jackson Environmental Discovery Center	2002	PK-06	Environmental	Financial difficulties
Sturgeon Bay School District	Door County Charter School	2002	09-12	Virtual - Intra - At-Risk	Financial difficulties and Low student enrollment
Sun Prairie Area School District	Sun Prairie Alternative High School	2000	09-12	At-Risk	Other – contract not renewed
Trevor Grade School District	Trevor Charter School	1998	K4-KG		

**2003-04 Closed Schools: 9**

City of Milwaukee	Khamit Institute	1998	K4-08	General/ Liberal Arts	Financial difficulties and Low student enrollment
Colfax School District	Academic Center - Middle School	2000	06-08	At-Risk	Low student enrollment
La Crosse School District	Medical Partnership at Lincoln Middle School	2000	07-08	Math/Science	Other – converted to a program
Ladysmith Hawkins School District	Project Learning! Charter School	2002	05-12	General/ Liberal Arts	Other – contract not renewed
St. Francis School District	Horizon Academy	1998	09-12	At-Risk	Other – not specified
Stevens Point Area School District	Education for Sustainable Development (ESD) was TEAMS	1996	10-12		Low student enrollment
Sun Prairie Area School District	Dane County Transition School	2001	09-12	At-Risk	Other – converted to alternative school
Wausau Area School District	Star Bright Charter School	2000	K4-K4	At-Risk	Other – converted to a program
Wisconsin Rapids Public Schools	River Cities High School	2001	09-12	General/ Liberal Arts	Financial difficulties

**2002-03 Closed Schools: 5**

Beloit School District	Knight's Academy	2000	KG-08	General/ Liberal Arts	Financial difficulties
Black Hawk School District	EXCEL Charter School	2000	05-12	General/ Liberal Arts	Financial difficulties
City of Milwaukee	YWCA Global Career Academy	1999	KG-04	General/ Liberal Arts	Financial difficulties
Eau Claire Area School District	Health Occupations Charter School	2002	11-12	Math/Science	Other
Madison Metropolitan School District	Accelerated Learning Academy Hi and Mid	1995	07-12	General/ Liberal Arts	Other – contract not renewed

**2001-02 Closed Schools: 4**

Antigo School District	Chrysalis Elementary Charter School	2000	KG-06	General/ Liberal Arts	Financial difficulties
Antigo School District	Chrysalis Family Charter School	1999	07-12	General/ Liberal Arts	Financial difficulties
Antigo School District	Lily Community Charter School	2000	KG-06	General/ Liberal Arts	Financial difficulties
Lancaster Community School District	Lancaster Academy	1998	07-12	General/ Liberal Arts	Other – not specified

**2000-01 Closed Schools: 2**

Lac du Flambeau #1 School District	Leadership Academy	1999	04-08	At-Risk	Other – not specified
Ladysmith Hawkins School District	Evening Alternative School	1997	10-12	At-Risk	Low student enrollment

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<b>1999-00 Closed Schools: 2</b>					
Fond du Lac School District	Charter Products, Inc.	1998	11-12		Other – not specified
Glidden School District	Glidden Charter School	1998	04-12		Other – no longer charter status
<b>1998-99 Closed Schools: 1</b>					
Woodruff J1 School Dist	Nature and Technology Charter School	1998	06-08	At-Risk	Other – not specified
<b>1997-98 Closed Schools: 1</b>					
North Crawford School District	Kickapoo River Institute	1997	09-10		Unable to secure a facility



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110	02	21st Century eSchool	Middleton Cross Plains Area School District	KG-12	All student primary types	Online Courses	Liberal Arts (traditional curriculum courses)	Online courses exclusively		Other - District-level Administrator	Yes	No	Inst
213	01	21st Century Preparatory School	UW-Parkside	K4-08	All student primary types	Differentiated Instruction	Other - College Prep		No	Other - Superintendent	No	No	2R
112	01	Academia de Lenguaje y Bellas Artes-ALBA	Milwaukee Public Schools	K3-05	Other - English Language Learners	Other - Developmental Bilingual	Arts/Culture		Yes	Teacher	No	No	Inst
21	11	Advanced Learning Academy of Wisconsin	Barron Area School District	KG-12	All student primary types	Online Courses	Liberal Arts (traditional curriculum courses)		No	Administrator	Yes	No	Non Inst
1	02	Albany Community Middle School	Albany School District	05-08	All student primary types	Interdisciplinary Learning Collaborative	Other - Inquiry and teacher-led interdisciplinary projects		No	Principal	No	No	Inst
140	06	Alliance Charter Elementary	Neeah Joint School District	KG-05	All student primary types	Montessori	Arts/Culture		Yes	Principal	No	No	Inst
113	01	Alliance School, The	Milwaukee Public Schools	07-12	All student primary types	Inquiry/Problem Based	Service Learning	Traditional departmental model with each teacher teaching in their specific content area	No	Teacher	No	No	Inst
159	06	ALPs Accelerated Alternative Learning Program	Oshkosh Area School District	04-08	Gifted/Talented	Inquiry/Problem Based	Liberal Arts (traditional curriculum courses)	Inquiry or project-based led by teacher	Yes	Principal	No	No	Inst
2	06	Appleton Bilingual School	Appleton Area School District	KG-04	All student primary types	Other - Dual Language Immersion/Bilingual	Language Immersion		Yes	Principal	No	No	Inst
3	06	Appleton Career Academy	Appleton Area School District	09-12	All student primary types	Place Based	21st Century Skills		Yes	Principal	No	No	Inst
4	06	Appleton Central High School	Appleton Area School District	06-12	At-Risk	Other - differentiated HS, computer based, credit recovery and work experience	HS Completion (alter. Ed./credit recovery)		Yes	Principal	No	No	Inst
5	06	Appleton eSchool	Appleton Area School District	07-12	All student primary types	Online Courses	Liberal Arts (traditional curriculum courses)		Yes	Teacher	Yes	No	Inst
6	06	Appleton Public Montessori	Appleton Area School District	K4-06	All student primary types	Montessori			Yes	Principal	No	No	Inst
7	06	Appleton Technical Academy	Appleton Area School District	09-12	All student primary types	Interdisciplinary Learning Collaborative	Career Technical Education (Tech Ed.)		Yes	Principal	No	No	Inst
175	03	Arena Community Elementary School (ACES)	River Valley School District	PK-05	All student primary types	Inquiry/Problem Based	Science, Tech., Engr., and Math (STEM)		No	Teacher	No	No	Inst

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68	ARISE Virtual Academy	Janesville School District	KG-12	All student primary types	Online Courses	Liberal Arts (traditional curriculum courses)	Combination of online and face-to-face instruction	Yes	Principal	Yes	No	Inst
17	Ashland Charter High School	Ashland School District	09-12	All student primary types	Project Based Learning	Other - Student Driven	Project Based	Yes	Teacher	No	No	Inst
18	Ashland Elementary Charter School	Ashland School District	03-05	All student primary types	Project Based Learning	21st Century Skills		Yes	No	No	No	Inst
95	Badger Rock Middle School	Madison Metropolitan School District	06-08	All student primary types	Place Based	Other - Cultural and Environmental Sustainability		No	Teacher	No	No	Inst
22	Barron Area Montessori School	Barron Area School District	K4-04	All student primary types	Montessori	Other		Yes	Principal	No	No	Inst
157	Bayshore Community Academy	Oconto Unified School District	05-08	All student primary types	Project Based Learning	21st Century Skills		Yes	Principal	No	No	Inst
24	Birchwood Blue Hills Charter School	Birchwood School District	07-12	All student primary types	Project Based Learning	Liberal Arts, 21st Century Skills	Project Based	No	Teacher, Principal	No	No	Inst
25	Birchwood Public Montessori Charter School	Birchwood School District	K4-06	All student primary types	Montessori	Liberal Arts		Yes	Teacher, Principal	No	No	Inst
26	Bobcat Virtual Academy	Birchwood School District	KG-12	All student primary types	Online Courses	Liberal Arts	Online	Yes	Teacher, Principal	Yes	No	Inst
107	Bridges Virtual School	Merrill Area Public Schools	K4-12	All student primary types	Online Courses	Other - Customized- Personalized Learning Plans based on grade		No		Yes	No	Inst
74	Brompton School	Kenosha Unified School District No. 1	K4-08	All student primary types	Other - combined direct instruction with traditional	Other - Reading emphasis - primary K-2		No	Principal	No	No	Inst
200	Bruce Guadalupe Community School	UW-Milwaukee	K4-08	All student primary types	Core Knowledge	21st Century Skills		No	Principal	No	No	2R
114	Business & Economics Academy of Milwaukee (BEAM)	Milwaukee Public Schools	K4-08	All student primary types	Traditional Instruction	Liberal Arts (traditional curriculum courses)		Yes	Principal	No	No	Non Inst
195	C.A.R.E. (Concerned About Reaching Everyone)	Stevens Point Area School District	07-09	At-Risk	Traditional Instruction	HS Completion (alter. Ed./credit recovery)	Traditional departmental model with each teacher teaching in their specific content area	Yes	Principal	No	No	Inst
29	Cameron Academy of Virtual Education (CAVE)	Cameron School District	KG-12	All student primary types	Online Courses	Other - Indiv. Student Learning Plans based on interest and level	Inquiry or project-based determined primarily by students & Online Exclusively	No	Other-Coordinator	Yes	No	Inst
201	Capitol West Academy	UW-Milwaukee	K4-08	All student primary types	Differentiated Instruction	Liberal Arts (traditional curriculum courses)		Yes	Other - executive director	No	No	2R
115	Carmen High School of Science and Technology	Milwaukee Public Schools	09-12	All student primary types	Traditional Instruction	Other - College Preparatory		Yes	Principal	No	No	Non Inst

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116 01	Carmen Northwest Campus School	Milwaukee Public Schools	06-12	All student primary types	Other - Traditional with Special Support Structures	Other - College Prep Liberal Arts and STEM			Principal	No	No	Non Inst
144 06	Catalyst Academy Charter School	New London School District	07-12	At-Risk	Interdisciplinary Learning Collaborative	Service Learning		No	Teacher	No	No	Inst
169 06	Catalyst Charter Middle School	Ripon Area School District	06-08	All student primary types	Project Based Learning	Science, Tech., Engr., and Math (STEM)		No	Principal	No	No	Inst
33 01	Central City Cyberschool	City of Milwaukee	K4-08	All student primary types	Other - Technology Integration	Liberal Arts (traditional curriculum courses)		No		No	No	2R
180 07	Central High School	Sheboygan Area School District	09-12	At-Risk	Project Based Learning	HS Completion (alter. Ed./credit recovery)		No	Teacher	No	No	Inst
141 05	Central Wisconsin STEM Academy	Nekoosa School District	04-08	All student primary types	Project Based Learning	Science, Tech., Engr., and Math (STEM)		Yes	Principal	No	No	Inst
49 10	Chippewa Valley Montessori Charter School	Eau Claire Area School District	K4-05	All student primary types	Montessori	Liberal Arts (traditional curriculum courses)		Yes	Principal	No	No	Inst
176 06	Cirrus Charter High School	Rosendale-Brandon School District	09-12	All student primary types	Project Based Learning	Other - Arts-Technology-infused 21st Century Skills		Yes	Principal	No	No	Inst
111 02	Clark Street Community School	Middleton Cross Plains Area School District	09-12	All student primary types	Place Based	21st Century Skills		No	Principal	No	No	Inst
31 12	Class ACT	Chequamegon School District	09-12	All student primary types	Project Based Learning	Career Technical Education (Tech Ed.)	Other-Online and student led project based education	Yes	Other - Advisor	No	No	Inst
8 06	Classical School	Appleton Area School District	KG-08	General/Liberal Arts	Core Knowledge	Liberal Arts (traditional curriculum courses)		No	Principal	No	No	Inst
117 01	Community High School	Milwaukee Public Schools	09-12	All student primary types	Inquiry/Problem Based	Service Learning	Other - Combination of traditional, team-teach, inquiry led by teacher	Yes	Teacher	No	No	Inst
240 01	CORE 4	Whitnall School District	K4-K4	All student primary types	Other - Early childhood literacy based curriculum	Other - early childhood		Yes	Principal	No	No	Inst
214 02	Core Knowledge Charter School	Verona Area School District	KG-08	All student primary types	Core Knowledge	Liberal Arts (traditional curriculum courses)	Traditional departmental model with each teacher teaching in their specific content area	Yes	Principal	No	No	Inst
85 04	Coulee Montessori Charter School	La Crosse School District	K4-08	All student primary types	Montessori	Arts/Culture		Yes	Principal	No	No	Inst
55 08	CRE8 Charter School	Gillett School District	K4-05	All student primary types	Online courses	Other - Arts Infusion		Yes	Unknown	Yes	No	Inst
132 09	Creative Minds Charter School	Minocqua J1 School District	03-05	All student primary types	Other-Multi-age Classroom	Arts/Culture		Yes	Teacher	No	No	Inst
34 01	Darrell Lynn Hines (DLH) Academy	City of Milwaukee	K4-08	All student primary types	International Baccalaureate	Other - College Preparatory		No	Principal	No	No	2R

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46 09	DC Everest Idea School	D.C. Everest Area School District	06-11	All student primary types	Project Based Learning	21st Century Skills		No	Principal	No	No	Inst
47 04	De Soto Virtual School	De Soto Area School District	KG-12	All student primary types	Online Courses					Yes	No	Inst
48 07	Denmark Community School	Denmark School District	07-12	All student primary types	Project Based Learning	21st Century Skills		Yes	Teacher	No	No	Inst
75 01	Dimensions of Learning Academy	Kenosha Unified School District No. 1	K4-08	All student primary types	Other - Dimensions of Learning	Other - Standards-based, Fine Arts integration, and Green Initiative	Other - Team Teaching with integrated content areas, project based, sometimes teacher led, sometimes student choice.	No	Principal	No	No	Inst
43 05	Discovery Charter School	Columbus School District	KG-03	All student primary types	Project Based Learning	Environmental/Green		Yes	Principal	No	No	Inst
35 01	Downtown Montessori Academy	City of Milwaukee	K3-08	All student primary types	Montessori	Liberal Arts (traditional curriculum courses)	Other - Montessori	No	Other - Head of School	No	No	2R
222 01	eAchieve Academy - Wisconsin	Waukesha School District	KG-12	All student primary types	Online Courses	Other - Full 'regular' high school program in an online environment	Other - Online courses exclusively, but from a traditional department model with each teacher teaching in their specific content area	No	Principal	Yes	No	Inst
223 01	eAchieve Elementary	Waukesha School District	K5-05	All student primary types	Online Courses	Other - Full 'regular' high school program in an online environment	Other - Online courses exclusively, but from a traditional department model with each teacher teaching in their specific content area	No	Principal	Yes	No	Inst
139 01	Eagleville Elementary Charter School	Mukwonago Area School District	01-06	All student primary types	Traditional Instruction	Environmental/Green		No	Principal	No	No	Inst
181 07	Elementary School of the Arts and Academics	Sheboygan Area School District	K4-05	All student primary types	Other - Multiple Intelligence	21st Century Skills		Yes	Principal	No	No	Inst
51 02	Elkhorn Options Virtual School	Elkhorn Area School District	K4-12	All student primary types	Online Courses	Liberal Arts, STEM		Yes	Principal	Yes	No	Inst
221 02	Endeavor Charter School	Watertown Unified Sch Dist	09-12	All student primary types	Project Based Learning	21st Century Skills		Yes	Teacher	No	No	Inst
229 09	Enrich, Excel, Achieve Academy (EEA)	Wausau Area School District	06-12	All student primary types	Other - Alternative High School	Other - Alternative High School		No	Principal	No	No	Inst
36 01	Escuela Verde	City of Milwaukee	07-12	At-Risk	Project Based Learning	21st Century Skills			Teacher	No	No	2R
215 02	Exploration Academy	Verona Area School District	09-12	All student primary types	Project Based Learning	21st Century Skills		Yes	Principal	No	No	Inst
155 08	Falls Alternative Learning Site	Oconto Falls Public School District	09-12	At-Risk	Differentiated Instruction	HS Completion (alter. Ed./credit recovery)		No	Other - Teacher/Director	No	No	Inst

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92 06	Flex Academy	Little Chute Area School District	KG-08	All student primary types	Interdisciplinary Learning Collaborative	21st Century Skills		No	Principal	No	No	Inst
53 06	Fond du Lac STEM Academy	Fond du Lac School District	03-05	All student primary types	Project Based Learning	Science, Tech., Engr., and Math (STEM)		No	Teacher	No	No	Inst
54 06	Fond du Lac STEM Institute	Fond du Lac School District	06-08	All student primary types	Project Based Learning	Science, Tech., Engr., and Math (STEM)		Yes	Teacher	No	No	Inst
135 05	Forest Lane Charter School	Montello School District	K4-06	All student primary types	Place Based	21st Century Skills		No	Principal	No	No	Inst
9 06	Foster (Stephen) Elementary Charter School	Appleton Area School District	PK-06	All student primary types	Other - center-based	Other - CA, Math		No	Principal	No	No	Inst
10 06	Fox River Academy	Appleton Area School District	01-08	All student primary types	Place Based	Environmental/Green		Yes	Principal	No	No	Inst
67 06	Fox West Academy	Hortonville Area School District	06-08	All student primary types	Project Based Learning	21st Century Skills		Yes	Teacher	No	No	Inst
182 07	George D. Warriner High School for Personalized Learning	Sheboygan Area School District	09-12	All student primary types	Online Courses	21st Century Skills			Principal	Yes	No	Inst
183 07	George D. Warriner Middle School	Sheboygan Area School District	06-08	All student primary types	Online Courses	21st Century Skills		No	Principal	Yes	No	Inst
56 08	Gillett Occupation and Leadership GOAL Charter School	Gillett School District	06-12	All student primary types	Online Courses	Other - Career Pathways, including STEM		Yes	Unknown	Yes	No	Inst
76 01	Harborside Academy	Kenosha Unified School District No. 1	06-12	All student primary types	Other - General / Expeditionary Learning	Liberal Arts (traditional curriculum courses)	Inquiry or project-based led by teacher	No	Principal	No	No	Inst
61 01	Hartland School of Fine Arts Leadership Academy, The	Hartland-Lakeside J3 School District	KG-02	All student primary types	Other - Theatre and Arts Integration	Arts/Culture		Yes	Principal	No	No	Inst
62 12	Hayward Center for Individualized Learning HACIL Virtual Charter School	Hayward Community School District	K4-12	All student primary types	Online Courses	Other - Curriculum Choice		Yes	Other - Co- Coordinators	Yes	No	Non Inst
91 10	Health Care Academy	Ladysmith Hawkins School District	09-12	All student primary types	Traditional Instruction	Career Technical Education (Tech Ed.)	Traditional departmental model with each teacher teaching in their specific content area	Yes	Teacher	No	No	Inst
136 05	High Marq Environmental Charter School	Montello School District	07-12	All student primary types	Project Based Learning	Environmental/Green	Inquiry or project-based led by teacher	Yes	Teacher	No	No	Inst

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79 01	High School of Health Sciences, The	Kettle Moraine School District	09-12	All student primary types	Interdisciplinary Learning Collaborative	Other - Health Care and Research			Teacher	No	No	Inst
64 03	Highland Community Elementary School	Highland School District	K4-05	All student primary types	Place Based	21st Century Skills		No	Principal	No	No	Inst
65 03	Highland Community High School	Highland School District	09-12	All student primary types	Interdisciplinary Learning Collaborative	Other-Comprehensive Rural High Sch.		No	Principal	No	No	Inst
66 03	Highland Community Middle School	Highland School District	06-08	All student primary types	Place Based	Other - Inquiry/Problem-based	Inquiry or project-based led by teacher	No	Teacher	No	No	Inst
118 01	Highland Community School	Milwaukee Public Schools	K3-08	All student primary types	Montessori	Other - Wholistic Education	Other - 4th-6th grade Montessori classroom	No	Other - Executive Director	No	No	Non Inst
119 01	Hmong American Peace Academy (HAPA)	Milwaukee Public Schools	K4-12	All student primary types	Traditional Instruction	Liberal Arts (traditional curriculum courses)		Yes	Principal	No	No	Non Inst
120 01	Honey Creek Continuous Progress School	Milwaukee Public Schools	K4-05	All student primary types	Other - Continuous Progress, ability based model	Other - Direct Instruction Reading Mastery K-5		No	Principal	No	No	Inst
121 01	I.D.E.A.L. Charter School	Milwaukee Public Schools	K3-08	All student primary types	Other - Inquiry/Problem Based, Multi Age	Other - Integrated curriculum based on science themes	Other - Grds 6-8 are team taught w/integrated content areas on inquiry based multi age model	Yes	Other - Teacher Led Cooperative Model	No	No	Inst
184 07	I.D.E.A.S. Academy	Sheboygan Area School District	09-12	All student primary types	Inquiry/Problem Based	Arts/Culture		Yes	Principal	No	No	Inst
83 06	i4Learning Community School	Kewaskum School District	K4-05	All student primary types	Project Based Learning	21st Century Skills		No	Principal	No	No	Inst
58 11	iForward	Grantsburg School District	06-12	All student primary types	Online Courses	HS Completion (alter. Ed./credit recovery)		No	Principal	Yes	No	Inst
102 05	iLEAD Charter School	Mauston School District	07-12	All student primary types	Project Based Learning	21st Century Skills		Yes	Principal	No	No	Inst
190 04	Innovations STEM Academy	Sparta Area School District	06-08	All student primary types	Inquiry/Problem Based	Science, Tech., Engr., and Math (STEM)			Principal	No	No	Inst
44 11	Island City Academy	Cumberland School District	07-12	All student primary types	Interdisciplinary Learning Collaborative	Science, Tech., Engr., and Math (STEM)		Yes	Teacher	No	No	Inst
45 11	Island City Virtual Academy	Cumberland School District	K4-12	All student primary types	Online Courses	Science, Tech., Engr., and Math (STEM)		Yes	Teacher	Yes	No	Non Inst
160 06	Jacob Shapiro Brain Based Instruction Laboratory School	Oshkosh Area School District	K4-05	All student primary types	Differentiated Instruction	Liberal Arts (traditional curriculum courses)		No	Principal	No	No	Inst
96 02	James C. Wright Middle School	Madison Metropolitan School District	06-08	All student primary types	Traditional Instruction	Service Learning	Traditional departmental model with each teacher teaching in their specific content area	No	Principal	No	No	Inst

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238 02	JEDI Virtual Charter School	Whitewater Unified School District	KG-12	All student primary types	Online courses	Liberal Arts (traditional curriculum courses)	Online courses exclusively	No	Other - Director	Yes	No	Non Inst
59 07	John Dewey Academy of Learning	Green Bay Area Public School District	08-12	All student primary types	Project Based Learning	21st Century Skills		No	Teacher	No	No	Inst
170 06	Journey Charter School	Ripon Area School District	KG-02	All student primary types	Project Based Learning	21st Century Skills		Yes	Principal	No	No	Inst
143 05	Juneau County Charter School	New Lisbon School District	07-12	At-Risk	Differentiated Instruction	HS Completion (alter. Ed./credit recovery)		Yes	Other - Alternative Education Coordinator	No	Yes	Non Inst
11 06	Kaleidoscope Academy	Appleton Area School District	06-08	All student primary types	Inquiry/Problem Based	21st Century Skills	Team teaching with integrated content areas	Yes	Principal	No	No	Inst
122 01	Kathryn T. Daniels University Preparatory Academy	Milwaukee Public Schools	KG-08	At-Risk	Other - Blended Education	21st Century Skills		No	Principal	No	No	Non Inst
77 01	Kenosha eSchool K-12	Kenosha Unified School District No. 1	KG-12	All student primary types	Online Courses	Liberal Arts (traditional curriculum courses)		Yes	Principal	Yes	No	Inst
78 01	Kenosha School of Technology Enhanced Curriculum (KTEC)	Kenosha Unified School District No. 1	K4-08	All student primary types	Project Based Learning		Team teaching with integrated content areas	No	Principal	No	No	Inst
84 07	Kiel eSchool	Kiel Area School District	07-12	All student primary types	Online Courses	Other - Online	Online courses exclusively	Yes	Principal	Yes	No	Inst
37 01	Kings Academy	City of Milwaukee	K4-08	All student primary types	Traditional Instruction	Liberal Arts (traditional curriculum courses)	Team teaching with integrated content areas	No	Teacher	No	No	2R
80 01	KM Explore	Kettle Moraine School District	KG-05	All student primary types	Other-Generative Curriculum, Place Based Learning, and Multiage Learning	21st Century Skills		Yes	Principal	No	No	Inst
81 01	KM Global Charter School for Global Leadership and Innovation	Kettle Moraine School District	09-12	All student primary types	Online Courses	Global Studies		Yes		Yes	No	Inst
82 01	KM School for Arts and Performance	Kettle Moraine School District	09-12	All student primary types	Other - Interdisciplinary Learning Collaborative	Other - Fine Arts		Yes	School Director	No	No	Inst
202 01	La Casa de Esperanza Charter School	UW-Milwaukee	K4-08	At-Risk	Traditional Instruction	Liberal Arts (traditional curriculum courses)		No	Principal	No	No	2R
123 01	La Causa Charter School	Milwaukee Public Schools	K4-08	All student primary types	Other - Developmental Bilingual Program	Arts/Culture	Team teaching with integrated content areas	No	Principal	No	Yes	Non Inst

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86	La Crosse Design Institute	La Crosse School District	06-08	All student primary types	Project Based Learning	Science, Tech., Engr., and Math (STEM)		Yes	Principal	No	No	Inst
87	LaCrosse Charter Schools (5)	La Crosse School District	09-12	At-Risk	Differentiated Instruction	HS Completion (alter. Ed./credit recovery)		Yes	Teacher	No	No	Inst
185	Lake Country Academy	Sheboygan Area School District	K4-08	All student primary types	Other - Core Knowledge and Direct Instruction	Other - Core Knowledge and D.I.	Traditional departmental model with each teacher teaching in their specific content area	No	Principal	No	No	Non Inst
199	Laker Online Virtual Charter School	Turtle Lake School District	KG-12	All student primary types	Online Courses	Liberal Arts (traditional curriculum courses)				Yes	No	Inst
191	Lakeview Montessori School	Sparta Area School District	K4-06	All student primary types	Montessori	Liberal Arts (traditional curriculum courses)		No	Principal	No	No	Inst
218	Laurel High School	Viroqua Area School District	09-12	General/Liberal Arts	Other - combination of all selections except Montessori	21st Century Skills	Other - some traditional and some project-based	Yes	Principal	No	No	Inst
179	LEADS Primary Charter School	Shawano School District	K4-02	All student primary types	Inquiry/Problem Based	Other-Literacy		Yes	Principal	No	No	Inst
239	Lincoln Inquiry Charter School	Whitewater Unified School District	K4-05	All student primary types	Inquiry/Problem Based	21st Century Skills		No	Principal	No	No	Inst
32	Link2Learn Virtual Charter School	Chetek-Weyerhaeuser Area School District	K4-12	All student primary types	Online Courses					Yes	No	Non Inst
93	Little Chute Career Pathways Academy	Little Chute Area School District	09-12	All student primary types	Inquiry/Problem Based	21st Century Skills		Yes	Principal	No	No	Inst
171	Lumen Charter High School	Ripon Area School District	09-12	All student primary types	Inquiry/Problem Based	21st Century Skills		Yes	Principal	No	No	Inst
98	Manitowoc County Comprehensive Charter School	Manitowoc Public School District	01-08	Other - Students grade 1-8 with chronic mental illness	Differentiated Instruction	Other - Core Academics integrated with Cognitive Behavioral Therapy Concepts		Yes	Other - Consultant under the direction of Pupil Service Directors from all the County Schools	No	No	Inst
108	Maple Grove School	Merrill Area Public Schools	KG-05	All student primary types	Other - Expeditionary Learning	21st Century Skills		No	Teacher	No	No	Inst
100	Marathon Venture Academy	Marathon City School District	06-08	All student primary types	Other - Expeditionary Learning	21st Century Skills		Yes	Principal	No	No	Inst
101	Marshall Charter School	Marshall School District	10-12	All student primary types	Other - Portfolio completion	Other - Non-credit, portfolio-based high school completion		Yes	Teacher	No	No	Inst
103	Mauston Montessori Charter School	Mauston School District	K4-KG	All student primary types	Montessori	Montessori		Yes	Director of Teaching and Learning	No	No	Inst
99	McKinley Academy	Manitowoc Public School District	09-12	At-Risk	Inquiry/Problem Based	21st Century Skills		Yes	Principal	No	No	Inst
50	McKinley Charter School	Eau Claire Area School District	06-12	At-Risk	Core Knowledge	HS Completion (alter. Ed./credit recovery)	Team teaching with integrated content areas	No	Principal	No	No	Inst

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241 05	Mead Elementary Charter School	Wisconsin Rapids Public Schools	K4-05	All student primary types	Differentiated Instruction	Service Learning		No	Principal	No	No	Inst
109 09	Merrill Adult Diploma Academy	Merrill Area Public Schools	12-12+	Adult (18-21 year olds)	Core Knowledge	HS Completion (alter. Ed./credit recovery)		No	Principal	No	No	Inst
178 05	Merrimac Community	Sauk Prairie School District	PK-05	Other - K-5 Blend	Project Based Learning	Environmental/Green		No	Teacher	No	No	Inst
162 03	Mighty River Academy of Virtual Education	Prairie du Chien Area School District	KG-12	All student primary types	Online Courses			No	No	Yes	No	Inst
38 01	Milwaukee Academy of Science	City of Milwaukee	K4-12	All student primary types	Traditional Instruction	Science, Tech., Engr., and Math (STEM)	Traditional departmental model with each teacher teaching in their specific content area	No	Principal	No	No	2R
124 01	Milwaukee College Preparatory - 38th Street	Milwaukee Public Schools	K4-07	All student primary types	Traditional Instruction	Liberal Arts (traditional curriculum courses)		No	Principal	No	No	Non Inst
125 01	Milwaukee College Preparatory - Lloyd Street	Milwaukee Public Schools	K4-08	All student primary types	Traditional Instruction	Liberal Arts (traditional curriculum courses)		No	Principal	No	No	Non Inst
203 01	Milwaukee College Preparatory School - 36th Street	UW-Milwaukee	K4-08	All student primary types	Traditional Instruction	Other - College Prep		No	Principal	No	No	2R
204 01	Milwaukee College Preparatory School - North Y	UW-Milwaukee	K4-08	All student primary types	Traditional Instruction	Other - College Prep		No	Principal	No	No	2R
39 01	Milwaukee Collegiate Academy	City of Milwaukee	09-12	All student primary types	Differentiated Instruction	Other - College Prep		No	Principal	No	No	2R
126 01	Milwaukee Community Cyber (MC2) High School	Milwaukee Public Schools	09-12	All student primary types	Other - Combination of online and face-to-face instruction	Language Immersion	Combination of online and face-to-face instruction	No	Principal	No	No	Non Inst
127 01	Milwaukee Environmental Sciences	Milwaukee Public Schools	K4-06	All student primary types	Other - Expeditionary Learning	Environmental/Green			Principal	No	No	Non Inst
40 01	Milwaukee Math and Science Academy	City of Milwaukee	K4-08	At-Risk	Traditional Instruction	Science, Tech., Engr., and Math (STEM)		No	Principal	No	No	2R
205 01	Milwaukee Scholars Charter School	UW-Milwaukee	K4-08	All student primary types	Traditional Instruction	Liberal Arts (traditional curriculum courses)	Team teaching with integrated content areas	No	Principal	No	No	2R
134 02	Monona Grove Liberal Arts Charter School for the 21st Century	Monona Grove School District	09-12	At-Risk	Project Based Learning	21st Century Skills	Team teaching with integrated content areas	No	Teacher	No	No	Inst
137 05	Montello Junior/Senior High School	Montello School District	09-12	All student primary types	Interdisciplinary Learning Collaborative	21st Century Skills		No	Principal	No	No	Inst

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138 05	Montello Virtual Charter School	Montello School District	KG-12	All student primary types	Online Courses			No	Principal	Yes	No	Inst
186 07	Mosaic School, The	Sheboygan Area School District	06-08	All student primary types	Inquiry/Problem Based	Arts/Culture		Yes	Principal	No	No	Inst
216 02	New Century School	Verona Area School District	KG-05	All student primary types	Traditional Instruction	Environmental/Green		Yes	Principal	No	No	Inst
72 06	New Directions Learning Community	Kaukauna Area School District	KG-04	All student primary types	Other - Writers Workshop	Other - Literacy		Yes	Principal	No	No	Inst
189 01	New Horizons for Learning	Shorewood School District	09-12	At-Risk	Project Based Learning	Environmental/Green		Yes	Principal	No	No	Inst
156 08	New Path Charter School	Oconto Falls Public School District	06-12	At-Risk	Other - Individual paced instruction	HS Completion (alter. Ed./credit recovery)	Other - Individual paced instruction	No	Teacher	No	No	Inst
128 01	Next Door Charter School	Milwaukee Public Schools	K4- KG	At-Risk	Did not respond to survey			No		No	No	Non Inst
145 06	Next Generation Academy	New London School District	07-12	All student primary types	Interdisciplinary Learning Collaborative	21st Century Skills			Teacher	No	No	Inst
142 05	Nikuura Community School	Nekoosa School District	04-08	All student primary types	Project Based Learning	Language Immersion		Yes	Principal	No	No	Non Inst
41 01	North Point Lighthouse Charter	City of Milwaukee	K4-06	All student primary types	Other - Arts-Infused	Other - College Focus/Arts		No	Principal	No	No	2R
30 11	North Star Academy	Cameron School District	09-12	At-Risk	Differentiated Instruction	HS Completion (alter. Ed./credit recovery)		No	Teacher	No	No	Non Inst
187 07	Northeast Wisconsin Montessori School	Sheboygan Area School District	K4-06	All student primary types	Montessori	Liberal Arts (traditional curriculum courses)		Yes	Principal	No	No	Inst
167 11	Northern Lakes Regional Academy	Rice Lake Area School District	09-12	All student primary types	Other - Interdisciplinary Learning Collaborative	Other - Tech., Bus., Art/Design, Math & Science		No	Principal	No	No	Inst
63 12	Northern Waters Environmental School	Hayward Community School District	06-10	All student primary types	Project Based Learning	Environmental/Green		Yes	Teacher	No	No	Inst
148 09	Northland Pines Montessori Learning Center (NPMLC)	Northland Pines School District	K4-04	All student primary types	Montessori	Montessori		Yes	Principal	No	No	Inst
151 12	NorthStar Community Charter School	Northwood School District	04-08	All student primary types	Place Based	21st Century Skills		Yes	Teacher	No	No	Inst
152 12	Northwood Elementary School	Northwood School District	K4-05	All student primary types	Interdisciplinary Learning Collaborative	21st Century Skills		Yes	Principal	No	No	Inst

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153	Northwood High/Middle School	Northwood School District	06-12	All student primary types	Interdisciplinary Learning Collaborative	21st Century Skills		Yes	Principal	No	No	Inst
154	Northwood Virtual Charter School	Northwood School District	PK-12	All student primary types	Online Courses	21st Century Skills	Online Courses	Yes	Director	Yes	No	Inst
165	Northwoods Community Elementary School	Rhinelander School District	K4-05	All student primary types	Project Based Learning	21st Century Skills		No	Other - Part time principal	No	No	Inst
166	Northwoods Community Secondary School	Rhinelander School District	06-12	All student primary types	Project Based Learning	21st Century Skills	Inquiry or project-based led by teacher	No	Other - Mostly teacher led	No	No	Inst
129	NOVA Tech (Northwest Opportunities Vocational Academy)	Milwaukee Public Schools	09-12	At-Risk	Interdisciplinary Learning Collaborative	Career Technical Education (Tech Ed.)			Teacher	No	No	Non Inst
146	NR4Kids Charter School	New Richmond School District	K4-K4	All student primary types	Other - Creative Curriculum	Other - Kindergarten Readiness		No	Teacher	No	No	Non Inst
97	Nuestro Mundo Community School	Madison Metropolitan School District	KG-05	Language	dual language immersion	Language Immersion		Yes	Principal	No	No	Inst
12	Odyssey-Magellan Charter School	Appleton Area School District	03-08	Gifted/Talented	Differentiated Instruction	Liberal Arts (traditional curriculum courses)	Traditional departmental model with each teacher teaching in their specific content area	Yes	Principal	No	No	Inst
19	Oredocker Project School	Ashland School District	06-08	All student primary types	Project Based Learning	21st Century Skills			Teacher	No	No	Inst
158	Osceola Charter Preschool	Osceola School District	K4-K4	General/Liberal Arts	Core Knowledge-Activity Based	Social/Emotional Development		Yes	Principal	No	No	Inst
94	Ouisconsin School of Collaboration	Lodi School District	03-05	All student primary types	Project Based Learning	Liberal Arts (traditional curriculum courses)		Yes	Teacher	No	No	Inst
73	Park Community Charter School	Kaukauna Area School District	01-04	All student primary types	Place Based	21st Century Skills			Principal	No	No	Inst
235	Pathways	West Bend School District	07-10	All student primary types	Project Based Learning	Career Technical Education (Tech Ed.)			Teacher	No	No	Inst
236	Phantom Knight School of Opportunity	West De Pere School District	07-12	At-Risk	Project Based Learning	Other - Post-Secondary Education		No	Teacher	No	No	Inst
196	Point of Discovery School	Stevens Point Area School District	06-08	All student primary types	Other - Expeditionary Learning	21st Century Skills			Teacher	No	No	Inst
161	Portage Academy of Achievement	Portage Community School District	09-12	At-Risk	Differentiated Instruction	HS Completion (alter. Ed./credit recovery)	Combination of online and face-to-face instruction	Yes	Teacher	No	No	Inst
28	Promethean Charter School	Butternut School District	09-12	All student primary types	Project Based Learning	21st Century Skills	Combination of online and face-to-face instruction	Yes	Teacher	No	No	Inst

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172 06	Quest Charter School	Ripon Area School District	03-05	All student primary types	Project Based Learning	Global Studies		Yes	Principal	No	No	Inst
163 01	Racine Civil Leaders Academy	Racine Unified School District	K4-05	All student primary types	Project Based Learning	Science, Tech., Engr., and Math (STEM)		No	Principal	No	No	Inst
164 01	REAL School	Racine Unified School District	06-12	All student primary types	Traditional Instruction	Liberal Arts (traditional curriculum courses)	Traditional departmental model with each teacher teaching in their specific content area	Yes	Teacher	No	No	Inst
173 11	Renaissance Charter Alternative Academy	River Falls School District	09-12	At-Risk	Differentiated Instruction	Career Technical Education (Tech Ed.)		Yes	Other - coordinator	No	No	Inst
13 06	Renaissance School for the Arts	Appleton Area School District	09-12	All student primary types	Differentiated Instruction	Arts/Culture	Traditional departmental model with each teacher teaching in their specific content area	Yes	Teacher	No	No	Inst
168 03	Richland Online Academy (ROA)	Richland School District	06-12	All student primary types	Online Courses			No	No	Yes	No	Non Inst
174 11	River Falls Public Montessori Academy	River Falls School District	K4-06	All student primary types	Montessori	Liberal Arts (traditional curriculum courses)		Yes	Principal	No	No	Inst
69 02	Rock River Charter School	Janesville School District	06-12	At-Risk	Differentiated Instruction	HS Completion (alter. Ed./credit recovery)	Combination of online and face-to-face instruction	No	Principal	No	No	Inst
70 02	Rock University High School	Janesville School District	10-12	All student primary types	Inquiry/Problem Based	21st Century Skills		No	Teacher	No	No	Inst
42 01	Rocketship Southside Community Prep	City of Milwaukee	K4-05	At-Risk	Other - Rocketship Public School Model/College Prep	Liberal Arts (traditional curriculum courses)		No	Principal	No	No	2R
23 02	Roy Chapman Andrews Academy	Beloit School District	06-12	All student primary types	Project Based Learning	Other - self-paced, student interest	Inquiry or project-based led by teacher	Yes	Principal	No	No	Inst
106 10	Rural Virtual Academy	Medford Area Public Schools	K4-10	All student primary types	Online Courses	21st Century Skills		No	Principal	Yes	No	Inst
177 11	Saint Croix Academy of Virtual Education	Saint Croix Central School District	KG-12	All student primary types	Online Courses					Yes	No	Inst
228 06	School for Agricultural and Environmental Studies, The	Waupun School District	KG-07	All student primary types	Project Based Learning	Other - Ag/Enviro		No	Principal	No	No	Inst
206 01	School for Early Development & Achievement (SEDA)	UW-Milwaukee	K3-02	All student primary types	Differentiated Instruction	Liberal Arts (traditional curriculum courses)		No	Principal	No	No	2R
149 09	School of Options and Applied Research (S.O.A.R.) High School	Northland Pines School District	08-12	All student primary types	Project Based Learning	21st Century Skills		Yes	Principal	No	No	Inst

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150 09	School of Options and Applied Research (S.O.A.R.) Middle School	Northland Pines School District	05-08	All student primary types	Project Based Learning	21st Century Skills		Yes	Principal	No	No	Inst
27 04	School of Science, Engineering & Technology (SoSet)	Blair-Taylor School District	KG-06	All student primary types	Differentiated Instruction	Science, Tech., Engr., and Math (STEM)		Yes	Principal	No	No	Inst
88 04	School of Technology & Arts (SOTA)	La Crosse School District	KG-05	All student primary types	Other - Arts Integration, Technology Integration and Traditional Instruction	Arts/Culture		Yes	Principal	No	No	Inst
89 04	School of Technology & Arts II (SOTA II)	La Crosse School District	06-08	All student primary types	Traditional Instruction	Other - Arts and Technology		Yes	Principal	No	No	Inst
207 01	Seeds of Health Elementary School	UW-Milwaukee	K4-08	All student primary types	Core Knowledge	Liberal Arts (traditional curriculum courses)	Other - Upper elementary/traditional blend	No	Principal	No	No	2R
90 04	Seven Rivers Community Charter High School	La Crosse School District	09-10	All student primary types	Project Based Learning	21st Century Skills			Principal	No	No	Inst
234 01	Shared Journeys	West Allis School District	07-12	At-Risk	Differentiated Instruction	HS Completion (alter. Ed./credit recovery)		No	Principal	No	No	Inst
188 07	Sheboygan Leadership Academy	Sheboygan Area School District	K4-08	All student primary types	Other-Experiential Learning	Other-Phonetic Leadership/Character Education		No	Principal	No	No	Non Inst
192 04	Sparta Area Independent Learning Charter School (SAILS)	Sparta Area School District	09-12	At-Risk	Traditional Instruction	HS Completion (alter. Ed./credit recovery)	Traditional departmental model with each teacher teaching in their specific content area	No	Principal	No	No	Inst
193 04	Sparta Charter Preschool	Sparta Area School District	K4-PK	All student primary types	Traditional Instruction	Other - basic skills		No	Principal	No	No	Inst
194 04	Sparta High Point Charter School	Sparta Area School District	07-12	All student primary types	Project Based Learning	21st Century Skills	Inquiry or project-based led by teacher	No	Other - Leadership Team	No	No	Inst
71 02	TAGOS Leadership Academy	Janesville School District	07-12	All student primary types	Project Based Learning		Inquiry or project-based led by teacher	No	Principal	No	No	Inst
208 01	Tenor High School	UW-Milwaukee	09-12	All student primary types	Traditional Instruction	Career Technical Education (Tech Ed.)		No	Principal	No	No	2R
14 06	Tesla Engineering Charter School	Appleton Area School District	09-12	All student primary types	Project Based Learning	Science, Tech., Engr., and Math (STEM)	Inquiry or project-based led by teacher	Yes	Other - Our Board	No	No	Inst
242 05	THINK Academy	Wisconsin Rapids Public Schools	K4-05	All student primary types	Other - Neuroscience	21st Century Skills		No	Principal	No	No	Inst
60 01	Time 4 Learning Charter School	Greendale School District	K4-K4	General/Liberal Arts	Place Based	Liberal Arts (traditional curriculum courses)		Yes	Principal	No	No	Inst

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197 04	Tomah Area Montessori School	Tomah Area School District	K4-06	All student primary types	Montessori	Other - Montessori			Principal	No	No	Inst	Inst
198 05	Tomorrow River Community School	Tomorrow River School District	K4-06	All student primary types	Other - Waldorf-inspired	Other - Waldorf-inspired		No	Teacher	No	No	Inst	Inst
57 11	Transitional Skills Center	Glenwood City School District	10-12	At-Risk	Differentiated Instruction	HS Completion (alter. Ed./credit recovery)	Team teaching with integrated content areas	Yes	Teacher	No	No	Inst	Inst
130 01	Universal Academy for the College Bound	Milwaukee Public Schools	K4-08	All student primary types	Traditional Instruction	Liberal Arts (traditional curriculum courses)		No	Principal	No	No	Non Inst	Non Inst
210 01	Urban Day Charter School, Inc.	UW-Milwaukee	K4-08	At-Risk	Other - Traditional: 3-Rs, School Design	Other - Traditional Elementary Curriculum	Team teaching with integrated content areas	No	Principal	No	No	2R	2R
15 06	Valley New School	Appleton Area School District	07-12	All student primary types	Project Based Learning	21st Century Skills	Inquiry or project-based led by teacher	No	Other - Four Advisor Team	No	No	Inst	Inst
209 01	Veritas High School	UW-Milwaukee	09-12	General/Liberal Arts	College Prep	College Prep	Traditional departmental model with each teacher teaching in their specific content area	No		No	No	2R	2R
219 04	Vernon County Better Futures High School	Viroqua Area School District	09-12	At-Risk	Differentiated Instruction	HS Completion (alter. Ed./credit recovery)	Combination of online and face-to-face instruction	No	Teacher	No	No	Inst	Inst
217 02	Verona Area International School	Verona Area School District	KG-03	All student primary types	Other - Chinese Immersion/Global Curriculum	Global Studies	Other - Expansion to secondary desired	Yes	Principal	No	No	Inst	Inst
220 04	Viroqua Area Montessori School	Viroqua Area School District	K4-03	All student primary types	Montessori	Arts/Culture		Yes	Teacher	No	No	Inst	Inst
52 02	Walworth Co Educ Consortium Alternative High	Elkhorn Area School District	11-12	All student primary types	Core Knowledge	HS Completion (alter. Ed./credit recovery)	Traditional departmental model with each teacher teaching in their specific content area	Yes	Principal	No	No	Inst	Inst
224 01	Waukesha Academy of Health Professions	Waukesha School District	09-12	All student primary types	Traditional Instruction	Other - Health Science		Yes	Other - Led by a Principal and coordinated by a teacher	No	No	Inst	Inst
225 01	Waukesha East Alternative School	Waukesha School District	09-12	At-Risk - Group of seven grade-specific programs	Differentiated Instruction	HS Completion (alter. Ed./credit recovery)		No	Teacher	No	No	Inst	Inst
226 01	Waukesha Engineering Preparatory Academy	Waukesha School District	09-12	All student primary types	Inquiry/Problem Based	Science, Tech., Engr., and Math (STEM)		Yes	Principal	No	No	Inst	Inst
227 01	Waukesha STEM Academy	Waukesha School District	KG-08	All student primary types	Inquiry/Problem Based	Science, Tech., Engr., and Math (STEM)	Team teaching with integrated content areas	No	Principal	No	No	Inst	Inst

Appendix D  
Wisconsin Charter Schools by School Name

Location Number	Charter School	Authorizer	Grades Served	Type of Students	Primary Educational Model Used	Primary Curricular Emphasis	Grades 6-12 Primary Content	Shared Space	School Led By:	Online School	CESA	Operated	Inst/Non Inst
237	Waupaca County Charter School	Weyauwega-Fremont School District	06-12	All student primary types	Traditional Instruction	Other - Social Skill instruction imbedded in traditional core courses	Other - Specific content areas, and project led instruction by teacher	No	Other - Alternative Education Coordinator	No	Yes	Non Inst	
230	Wausau Area Montessori Charter School	Wausau Area School District	KG-06	All student primary types	Montessori	Liberal Arts (traditional curriculum courses)	Inquiry or project-based led by teacher	Yes	Principal	No	No	Inst	
231	Wausau Engineering and Global Leadership Academy	Wausau Area School District	09-12	All student primary types	Place Based	Science, Tech., Engr., and Math (STEM)	Team teaching with integrated content areas	Yes	Teacher	No	No	Inst	
232	Wauwatosa STEM	Wauwatosa School District	KG-05	All student primary types	Project Based Learning	Science, Tech., Engr., and Math (STEM)		Yes	Principal	No	No	Inst	
233	Wauwatosa Virtual Academy	Wauwatosa School District	06-12	All student primary types	Online Courses				Principal	Yes	No	Inst	
131	Whittier Elementary School	Milwaukee Public Schools	K3-05	All student primary types	Core Knowledge	Liberal Arts (traditional curriculum courses)		No	Teacher	No	No	Inst	
20	Wildlands Science Research Charter School	Augusta School District	06-12	All student primary types	Project Based Learning	Environmental/Green	Inquiry or project-based led by teacher	No	Teacher	No	No	Inst	
16	Wisconsin Connections Academy	Appleton Area School District	KG-12	All student primary types	Online courses	Liberal Arts (traditional curriculum courses)		No	Principal	Yes	No	Inst	
104	Wisconsin Virtual Academy High (WIVA)	McFarland School District	09-12	All student primary types	Online Courses	Liberal Arts (traditional curriculum courses)	Other - Primarily online with opportunities for face-to-face instruction	No	Other - Head of School (WI Superintendent and Principal licensed)	Yes	No	Non Inst	
105	Wisconsin Virtual Academy K-8 (WIVA)	McFarland School District	KG-08	All student primary types	Online Courses	Liberal Arts (traditional curriculum courses)	Other - Primarily online with opportunities for face-to-face instruction	No	Other - Head of School (WI Superintendent and Principal licensed)	Yes	No	Non Inst	
147	Wisconsin Virtual Learning (WVL)	Northern Ozaukee School District	K4-12	All student primary types	Online Courses	Liberal Arts (traditional curriculum courses)	Online courses exclusively	No	Principal	Yes	No	Non Inst	
133	Woodland Progressive School for 21st Century Citizens	Minocqua J1 School District	06-08	All student primary types	Place Based	21st Century Skills	Inquiry or project-based determined primarily by students	Yes	Teacher	No	No	Inst	
211	Woodlands School - Bluemound Campus	UW-Milwaukee	K4-08	All student primary types	Differentiated Instruction	Arts/Culture	Team teaching with integrated content areas	No	Principal	No	No	2R	
212	Woodlands School East (WSE) - State Street Campus	UW-Milwaukee	K4-08	All student primary types	Multi-age Classrooms	Liberal Arts (traditional curriculum courses)			Principal	No	No	2R	



## Appendix E: Wisconsin Charter Schools by Primary Educational Model

Location Number	CESA	Primary Educational Model Used	Authorizer	Charter School	Grades Served	Type of Students	Primary Curricular Emphasis	Grades 6-12 Primary Content	Shared Space	School Led By:	Online School	CESA Operated	Inst/Non Inst
8	06	Core Knowledge	Appleton Area School District	Classical School	KG-08	General/Liberal Arts	Liberal Arts (traditional curriculum courses)		No	Principal	No	No	Inst
50	10	Core Knowledge	Eau Claire Area School District	McKinley Charter School	06-12	At-Risk	HS Completion (alter. Ed./credit recovery)	Team teaching with integrated content areas	No	Principal	No	No	Inst
52	02	Core Knowledge	Elkhorn Area School District	Walworth Co Educ Consortium Alternative High	11-12	All student primary types	HS Completion (alter. Ed./credit recovery)	Traditional departmental model with each teacher teaching in their specific content area	Yes	Principal	No	No	Inst
109	09	Core Knowledge	Merrill Area Public Schools	Merrill Adult Diploma Academy	12-12+	Adult (18-21 year olds)	HS Completion (alter. Ed./credit recovery)		No	Principal	No	No	Inst
131	01	Core Knowledge	Milwaukee Public Schools	Whittier Elementary School	K3-05	All student primary types	Liberal Arts (traditional curriculum courses)		No	Teacher	No	No	Inst
200	01	Core Knowledge	UW-Milwaukee	Bruce Guadalupe Community School	K4-08	All student primary types	21st Century Skills		No	Principal	No	No	2R
207	01	Core Knowledge	UW-Milwaukee	Seeds of Health Elementary School	K4-08	All student primary types	Liberal Arts (traditional curriculum courses)	Other - Upper elementary/traditional blend	No	Principal	No	No	2R
214	02	Core Knowledge	Verona Area School District	Core Knowledge Charter School	KG-08	All student primary types	Liberal Arts (traditional curriculum courses)	Traditional departmental model with each teacher teaching in their specific content area	Yes	Principal	No	No	Inst
158	11	Core Knowledge-Activity Based	Osceola School District	Osceola Charter Preschool	K4-K4	General/Liberal Arts	Social/Emotional Development		Yes	Principal	No	No	Inst
12	06	Differentiated Instruction	Appleton Area School District	Odyssey-Magellan Charter School	03-08	Gifted/Talented	Liberal Arts (traditional curriculum courses)	Traditional departmental model with each teacher teaching in their specific content area	Yes	Principal	No	No	Inst
13	06	Differentiated Instruction	Appleton Area School District	Renaissance School for the Arts	09-12	All student primary types	Arts/Culture	Traditional departmental model with each teacher teaching in their specific content area	Yes	Teacher	No	No	Inst
27	04	Differentiated Instruction	Blair-Taylor School District	School of Science, Engineering & Technology (SoSet)	KG-06	All student primary types	Science, Tech., Engr., and Math (STEM)		Yes	Principal	No	No	Inst
30	11	Differentiated Instruction	Cameron School District	North Star Academy	09-12	At-Risk	HS Completion (alter. Ed./credit recovery)		No	Teacher	No	No	Non Inst
39	01	Differentiated Instruction	City of Milwaukee	Milwaukee Collegiate Academy	09-12	All student primary types	Other - College Prep		No	Principal	No	No	2R
57	11	Differentiated Instruction	Glenwood City School District	Transitional Skills Center	10-12	At-Risk	HS Completion (alter. Ed./credit recovery)	Team teaching with integrated content areas	Yes	Teacher	No	No	Inst
69	02	Differentiated Instruction	Janesville School District	Rock River Charter School	06-12	At-Risk	HS Completion (alter. Ed./credit recovery)	Combination of online and face-to-face instruction	No	Principal	No	No	Inst
87	04	Differentiated Instruction	La Crosse School District	LaCrosseroads Charter Schools (5)	09-12	At-Risk	HS Completion (alter. Ed./credit recovery)		Yes	Teacher	No	No	Inst

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98	07	Differentiated Instruction	Manitowoc Public School District	Manitowoc County Comprehensive Charter School	01-08	Other - Students grade 1-8 with chronic mental illness	Other - Core Academics integrated with Cognitive Behavioral Therapy Concepts		Yes	Other - Consultant under the direction of Pupil Service Directors from all the County Schools	No	No	Inst
143	05	Differentiated Instruction	New Lisbon School District	Juneau County Charter School	07-12	At-Risk	HS Completion (alter. Ed./credit recovery)		Yes	Other - Alternative Education Coordinator	No	Yes	Non Inst
155	08	Differentiated Instruction	Oconto Falls Public School District	Falls Alternative Learning Site	09-12	At-Risk	HS Completion (alter. Ed./credit recovery)		No	Other - Teacher/Director	No	No	Inst
160	06	Differentiated Instruction	Oshkosh Area School District	Jacob Shapiro Brain Based Instruction Laboratory School	K4-05	All student primary types	Liberal Arts (traditional curriculum courses)		No	Principal	No	No	Inst
161	05	Differentiated Instruction	Portage Community School District	Portage Academy of Achievement	09-12	At-Risk	HS Completion (alter. Ed./credit recovery)	Combination of online and face-to-face instruction	Yes	Teacher	No	No	Inst
173	11	Differentiated Instruction	River Falls School District	Renaissance Charter Alternative Academy	09-12	At-Risk	Career Technical Education (Tech Ed.)		Yes	Other - coordinator	No	No	Inst
201	01	Differentiated Instruction	UW-Milwaukee	Capitol West Academy	K4-08	All student primary types	Liberal Arts (traditional curriculum courses)		Yes	Other - executive director	No	No	2R
206	01	Differentiated Instruction	UW-Milwaukee	School for Early Development & Achievement (SEDA)	K3-02	All student primary types	Liberal Arts (traditional curriculum courses)		No	Principal	No	No	2R
211	01	Differentiated Instruction	UW-Milwaukee	Woodlands School - Bluemound Campus	K4-08	All student primary types	Arts/Culture	Team teaching with integrated content areas	No	Principal	No	No	2R
213	01	Differentiated Instruction	UW-Parkside	21st Century Preparatory School	K4-08	All student primary types	Other - College Prep		No	Other - Superintendent	No	No	2R
219	04	Differentiated Instruction	Viroqua Area School District	Vernon County Better Futures High School	09-12	At-Risk	HS Completion (alter. Ed./credit recovery)	Combination of online and face-to-face instruction	No	Teacher	No	No	Inst
225	01	Differentiated Instruction	Waukesha School District	Waukesha East Alternative School	09-12	At-Risk - Group of seven grade-specific programs	HS Completion (alter. Ed./credit recovery)		No	Teacher	No	No	Inst
234	01	Differentiated Instruction	West Allis School District	Shared Journeys	07-12	At-Risk	HS Completion (alter. Ed./credit recovery)		No	Principal	No	No	Inst
241	05	Differentiated Instruction	Wisconsin Rapids Public Schools	Mead Elementary Charter School	K4-05	All student primary types	Service Learning		No	Principal	No	No	Inst
97	02	Dual Language Immersion	Madison Metropolitan School District	Nuestro Mundo Community School	KG-05	Language	Language Immersion		Yes	Principal	No	No	Inst
11	06	Inquiry/Problem Based	Appleton Area School District	Kaleidoscope Academy	06-08	All student primary types	21st Century Skills	Team teaching with integrated content areas	Yes	Principal	No	No	Inst
70	02	Inquiry/Problem Based	Janesville School District	Rock University High School	10-12	All student primary types	21st Century Skills		No	Teacher	No	No	Inst

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93	06	Inquiry/Problem Based	Little Chute Area School District	Little Chute Career Pathways Academy	09-12	All student primary types	21st Century Skills		Yes	Principal	No	No	Inst
99	07	Inquiry/Problem Based	Manitowoc Public School District	McKinley Academy	09-12	At-Risk	21st Century Skills		Yes	Principal	No	No	Inst
113	01	Inquiry/Problem Based	Milwaukee Public Schools	Alliance School, The	07-12	All student primary types	Service Learning	Traditional departmental model with each teacher teaching in their specific content area	No	Teacher	No	No	Inst
117	01	Inquiry/Problem Based	Milwaukee Public Schools	Community High School	09-12	All student primary types	Service Learning	Other - Combination of traditional, team-teach, inquiry led by teacher	Yes	Teacher	No	No	Inst
159	06	Inquiry/Problem Based	Oshkosh Area School District	ALPs Accelerated Alternative Learning Program	04-08	Gifted/Talented	Liberal Arts (traditional curriculum courses)	Inquiry or project-based led by teacher	Yes	Principal	No	No	Inst
171	06	Inquiry/Problem Based	Ripon Area School District	Lumen Charter High School	09-12	All student primary types	21st Century Skills		Yes	Principal	No	No	Inst
175	03	Inquiry/Problem Based	River Valley School District	Arena Community Elementary School (ACES)	PK-05	All student primary types	Science, Tech., Engr., and Math (STEM)		No	Teacher	No	No	Inst
179	08	Inquiry/Problem Based	Shawano School District	LEADS Primary Charter School	K4-02	All student primary types	Other-Literacy		Yes	Principal	No	No	Inst
184	07	Inquiry/Problem Based	Sheboygan Area School District	I.D.E.A.S. Academy	09-12	All student primary types	Arts/Culture		Yes	Principal	No	No	Inst
186	07	Inquiry/Problem Based	Sheboygan Area School District	Mosaic School, The	06-08	All student primary types	Arts/Culture		Yes	Principal	No	No	Inst
190	04	Inquiry/Problem Based	Sparta Area School District	Innovations STEM Academy	06-08	All student primary types	Science, Tech., Engr., and Math (STEM)			Principal	No	No	Inst
226	01	Inquiry/Problem Based	Waukesha School District	Waukesha Engineering Preparatory Academy	09-12	All student primary types	Science, Tech., Engr., and Math (STEM)		Yes	Principal	No	No	Inst
227	01	Inquiry/Problem Based	Waukesha School District	Waukesha STEM Academy	KG-08	All student primary types	Science, Tech., Engr., and Math (STEM)	Team teaching with integrated content areas	No	Principal	No	No	Inst
239	02	Inquiry/Problem Based	Whitewater Unified School District	Lincoln Inquiry Charter School	K4-05	All student primary types	21st Century Skills		No	Principal	No	No	Inst
1	02	Interdisciplinary Learning Collaborative	Albany School District	Albany Community Middle School	05-08	All student primary types	Other - Inquiry and teacher-led interdisciplinary projects		No	Principal	No	No	Inst
7	06	Interdisciplinary Learning Collaborative	Appleton Area School District	Appleton Technical Academy	09-12	All student primary types	Career Technical Education (Tech Ed.)		Yes	Principal	No	No	Inst
44	11	Interdisciplinary Learning Collaborative	Cumberland School District	Island City Academy	07-12	All student primary types	Science, Tech., Engr., and Math (STEM)		Yes	Teacher	No	No	Inst

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65	03	Interdisciplinary Learning Collaborative	Highland School District	Highland Community High School	09-12	All student primary types	Other-Comprehensive Rural High Sch.		No	Principal	No	No	Inst
79	01	Interdisciplinary Learning Collaborative	Kettle Moraine School District	High School of Health Sciences, The	09-12	All student primary types	Other - Health Care and Research			Teacher	No	No	Inst
92	06	Interdisciplinary Learning Collaborative	Little Chute Area School District	Flex Academy	KG-08	All student primary types	21st Century Skills		No	Principal	No	No	Inst
129	01	Interdisciplinary Learning Collaborative	Milwaukee Public Schools	NOVA Tech (Northwest Opportunities Vocational Academy)	09-12	At-Risk	Career Technical Education (Tech Ed.)			Teacher	No	No	Non Inst
137	05	Interdisciplinary Learning Collaborative	Montello School District	Montello Junior/Senior High School	09-12	All student primary types	21st Century Skills		No	Principal	No	No	Inst
144	06	Interdisciplinary Learning Collaborative	New London School District	Catalyst Academy Charter School	07-12	At-Risk	Service Learning		No	Teacher	No	No	Inst
145	06	Interdisciplinary Learning Collaborative	New London School District	Next Generation Academy	07-12	All student primary types	21st Century Skills			Teacher	No	No	Inst
152	12	Interdisciplinary Learning Collaborative	Northwood School District	Northwood Elementary School	K4-05	All student primary types	21st Century Skills		Yes	Principal	No	No	Inst
153	12	Interdisciplinary Learning Collaborative	Northwood School District	Northwood High/Middle School	06-12	All student primary types	21st Century Skills		Yes	Principal	No	No	Inst
34	01	International Baccalaureate	City of Milwaukee	Darrell Lynn Hines (DLH) Academy	K4-08	All student primary types	Other - College Preparatory		No	Principal	No	No	2R
6	06	Montessori	Appleton Area School District	Appleton Public Montessori	K4-06	All student primary types			Yes	Principal	No	No	Inst
22	11	Montessori	Barron Area School District	Barron Area Montessori School	K4-04	All student primary types	Other		Yes	Principal	No	No	Inst
25	11	Montessori	Birchwood School District	Birchwood Public Montessori Charter School	K4-06	All student primary types	Liberal Arts		Yes	Teacher, Principal	No	No	Inst
35	01	Montessori	City of Milwaukee	Downtown Montessori Academy	K3-08	All student primary types	Liberal Arts (traditional curriculum courses)	Other - Montessori	No	Other - Head of School	No	No	2R
49	10	Montessori	Eau Claire Area School District	Chippewa Valley Montessori Charter School	K4-05	All student primary types	Liberal Arts (traditional curriculum courses)		Yes	Principal	No	No	Inst
85	04	Montessori	La Crosse School District	Coulee Montessori Charter School	K4-08	All student primary types	Arts/Culture		Yes	Principal	No	No	Inst
103	05	Montessori	Mauston School District	Mauston Montessori Charter School	K4-KG	All student primary types	Montessori		Yes	Director of Teaching and Learning	No	No	Inst

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118	01	Montessori	Milwaukee Public Schools	Highland Community School	K3-08	All student primary types	Other - Wholistic Education	Other - 4th-6th grade Montessori classroom	No	Other - Executive Director	No	No	Non Inst
140	06	Montessori	Neenah Joint School District	Alliance Charter Elementary	KG-05	All student primary types	Arts/Culture		Yes	Principal	No	No	Inst
148	09	Montessori	Northland Pines School District	Northland Pines Montessori Learning Center (NPMILC)	K4-04	All student primary types	Montessori		Yes	Principal	No	No	Inst
174	11	Montessori	River Falls School District	River Falls Public Montessori Academy	K4-06	All student primary types	Liberal Arts (traditional curriculum courses)		Yes	Principal	No	No	Inst
187	07	Montessori	Sheboygan Area School District	Northeast Wisconsin Montessori School	K4-06	All student primary types	Liberal Arts (traditional curriculum courses)		Yes	Principal	No	No	Inst
191	04	Montessori	Sparta Area School District	Lakeview Montessori School	K4-06	All student primary types	Liberal Arts (traditional curriculum courses)		No	Principal	No	No	Inst
197	04	Montessori	Tomah Area School District	Tomah Area Montessori School	K4-06	All student primary types	Other - Montessori			Principal	No	No	Inst
220	04	Montessori	Viroqua Area School District	Viroqua Area Montessori School	K4-03	All student primary types	Arts/Culture		Yes	Teacher	No	No	Inst
230	09	Montessori	Wausau Area School District	Wausau Area Montessori Charter School	KG-06	All student primary types	Liberal Arts (traditional curriculum courses)	Inquiry or project-based led by teacher	Yes	Principal	No	No	Inst
212	01	Multi-age Classrooms	UW-Milwaukee	Woodlands School East (WSE) - State Street Campus	K4-08	All student primary types	Liberal Arts (traditional curriculum courses)			Principal	No	No	2R
5	06	Online Courses	Appleton Area School District	Appleton eSchool	07-12	All student primary types	Liberal Arts (traditional curriculum courses)		Yes	Teacher	Yes	No	Inst
16	06	Online Courses	Appleton Area School District	Wisconsin Connections Academy	KG-12	All student primary types	Liberal Arts (traditional curriculum courses)		No	Principal	Yes	No	Inst
21	11	Online Courses	Barron Area School District	Advanced Learning Academy of Wisconsin	KG-12	All student primary types	Liberal Arts (traditional curriculum courses)		No	Administrator	Yes	No	Non Inst
26	11	Online Courses	Birchwood School District	Bobcat Virtual Academy	KG-12	All student primary types	Liberal Arts	Online	Yes	Teacher, Principal	Yes	No	Inst
29	11	Online Courses	Cameron School District	Cameron Academy of Virtual Education (CAVE)	KG-12	All student primary types	Other - Indiv. Student Learning Plans based on interest and level	Inquiry or project-based determined primarily by students & Online Exclusively	No	Other-Coordinator	Yes	No	Inst
32	11	Online Courses	Chetek-Weyerhaeuser Area School District	Link2Learn Virtual Charter School	K4-12	All student primary types					Yes	No	Non Inst
45	11	Online Courses	Cumberland School District	Island City Virtual Academy	K4-12	All student primary types	Science, Tech., Engr., and Math (STEM)		Yes	Teacher	Yes	No	Non Inst
47	04	Online Courses	De Soto Area School District	De Soto Virtual School	KG-12	All student primary types					Yes	No	Inst
51	02	Online Courses	Elkhorn Area School District	Elkhorn Options Virtual School	K4-12	All student primary types	Liberal Arts, STEM	Online	Yes	Principal	Yes	No	Inst
55	08	Online Courses	Gillett School District	CRE8 Charter School	K4-05	All student primary types	Other - Arts Infusion		Yes	Unknown	Yes	No	Inst

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56	08	Online Courses	Gillett School District	Gillett Occupation and Leadership GOAL Charter School	06-12	All student primary types	Other - Career Pathways, including STEM		Yes	Unknown	Yes	No	Inst
58	11	Online Courses	Grantsburg School District	iForward	06-12	All student primary types	HS Completion (alter. Ed./credit recovery)		No	Principal	Yes	No	Inst
62	12	Online Courses	Hayward Community School District	Hayward Center for Individualized Learning HACIL Virtual Charter School	K4-12	All student primary types	Other - Curriculum Choice		Yes	Other - Co- Coordinators	Yes	No	Non Inst
68	02	Online Courses	Janesville School District	ARISE Virtual Academy	KG-12	All student primary types	Liberal Arts (traditional curriculum courses)	Combination of online and face-to-face instruction	Yes	Principal	Yes	No	Inst
77	01	Online Courses	Kenosha Unified School District No. 1	Kenosha eSchool K-12	KG-12	All student primary types	Liberal Arts (traditional curriculum courses)		Yes	Principal	Yes	No	Inst
81	01	Online Courses	Kettle Moraine School District	KM Global Charter School for Global Leadership and Innovation	09-12	All student primary types	Global Studies		Yes		Yes	No	Inst
84	07	Online Courses	Kiel Area School District	Kiel eSchool	07-12	All student primary types	Other - Online	Online courses exclusively	Yes	Principal	Yes	No	Inst
104	02	Online Courses	McFarland School District	Wisconsin Virtual Academy High (WIVA)	09-12	All student primary types	Liberal Arts (traditional curriculum courses)	Other - Primarily online with opportunities for face-to-face instruction	No	Other - Head of School (WI Superintendent and Principal licensed)	Yes	No	Non Inst
105	02	Online Courses	McFarland School District	Wisconsin Virtual Academy K-8 (WIVA)	KG-08	All student primary types	Liberal Arts (traditional curriculum courses)	Other - Primarily online with opportunities for face-to-face instruction	No	Other - Head of School (WI Superintendent and Principal licensed)	Yes	No	Non Inst
106	10	Online Courses	Medford Area Public Schools	Rural Virtual Academy	K4-10	All student primary types	21st Century Skills		No	Principal	Yes	No	Inst
107	09	Online Courses	Merrill Area Public Schools	Bridges Virtual School	K4-12	All student primary types	Other - Customized- Personalized Learning Plans based on grade level		No		Yes	No	Inst
110	02	Online Courses	Middleton Cross Plains Area School District	21st Century eSchool	KG-12	All student primary types	Liberal Arts (traditional curriculum courses)	Online courses exclusively		Other - District-level Administrator	Yes	No	Inst
138	05	Online Courses	Montello School District	Montello Virtual Charter School	KG-12	All student primary types			No	Principal	Yes	No	Inst
147	01	Online Courses	Northern Ozaukee School District	Wisconsin Virtual Learning (WVL)	K4-12	All student primary types	Liberal Arts (traditional curriculum courses)	Online courses exclusively	No	Principal	Yes	No	Non Inst
154	12	Online Courses	Northwood School District	Northwood Virtual Charter School	PK-12	All student primary types	21st Century Skills	Online	Yes	Director	Yes	No	Inst
162	03	Online Courses	Prairie du Chien Area School District	Mighty River Academy of Virtual Education	KG-12	All student primary types			No	No	Yes	No	Inst

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168	03	Online Courses	Richland School District	Richland Online Academy (ROA)	06-12	All student primary types			No	No	Yes	No	Non Inst
177	11	Online Courses	Saint Croix Central School District	Saint Croix Academy of Virtual Education	KG-12	All student primary types					Yes	No	Inst
182	07	Online Courses	Sheboygan Area School District	George D. Warriner High School for Personalized Learning	09-12	All student primary types	21st Century Skills			Principal	Yes	No	Inst
183	07	Online Courses	Sheboygan Area School District	George D. Warriner Middle School	06-08	All student primary types	21st Century Skills		No	Principal	Yes	No	Inst
199	11	Online Courses	Turtle Lake School District	Laker Online Virtual Charter School	KG-12	All student primary types	Liberal Arts (traditional curriculum courses)				Yes	No	Inst
222	01	Online Courses	Waukesha School District	eAchieve Academy - Wisconsin	KG-12	All student primary types	Other - Full 'regular' high school program in an online environment	Other - Online courses exclusively, but from a traditional department model with each teacher teaching in their specific content area	No	Principal	Yes	No	Inst
223	01	Online Courses	Waukesha School District	eAchieve Elementary	K5-05	All student primary types	Other - Full 'regular' high school program in an online environment	Other - Online courses exclusively, but from a traditional department model with each teacher teaching in their specific content area	No	Principal	Yes	No	Inst
233	01	Online Courses	Wauwatosa School District	Wauwatosa Virtual Academy	06-12	All student primary types				Principal	Yes	No	Inst
238	02	Online Courses	Whitewater Unified School District	JEDI Virtual Charter School	KG-12	All student primary types	Liberal Arts (traditional curriculum courses)	Online courses exclusively	No	Other - Director	Yes	No	Non Inst
229	09	Other - Alternative High School	Wausau Area School District	Enrich, Excel, Achieve Academy (EEA)	06-12	All student primary types	Other - Alternative High School		No	Principal	No	No	Inst
88	04	Other - Arts Integration, Technology Integration and Traditional Instruction	La Crosse School District	School of Technology & Arts (SOTA)	KG-05	All student primary types	Arts/Culture		Yes	Principal	No	No	Inst
41	01	Other - Arts-Infused	City of Milwaukee	North Point Lighthouse Charter	K4-06	All student primary types	Other - College Focus/Arts		No	Principal	No	No	2R
122	01	Other - Blended Education	Milwaukee Public Schools	Kathryn T. Daniels University Preparatory Academy	KG-08	At-Risk	21st Century Skills		No	Principal	No	No	Non Inst
9	06	Other - Center Based	Appleton Area School District	Foster (Stephen) Elementary Charter School	PK-06	All student primary types	Other - CA, Math		No	Principal	No	No	Inst

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217	02	Other - Chinese Immersion/Global Curriculum	Verona Area School District	Verona Area International School	KG-03	All student primary types	Global Studies	Other - Expansion to secondary desired	Yes	Principal	No	No	Inst
209	01	Other - College Prep	UW-Milwaukee	Veritas High School	09-12	General/Liberal Arts	College Prep	Traditional departmental model with each teacher teaching in their specific content area	No		No	No	2R
218	04	Other - Combination of all selections except Montessori	Viroqua Area School District	Laurel High School	09-12	General/Liberal Arts	21st Century Skills	Other - some traditional and some project-based	Yes	Principal	No	No	Inst
126	01	Other - Combination of online and face-to-face instruction	Milwaukee Public Schools	Milwaukee Community Cyber (MC2) High School	09-12	All student primary types	Language Immersion	Combination of online and face-to-face instruction	No	Principal	No	No	Non Inst
74	01	Other - Combined direct instruction with traditional	Kenosha Unified School District No. 1	Brompton School	K4-08	All student primary types	Other - Reading emphasis - primary K-2		No	Principal	No	No	Inst
120	01	Other - Continuous Progress, ability based model	Milwaukee Public Schools	Honey Creek Continuous Progress School	K4-05	All student primary types	Other - Direct Instruction Reading Mastery K-5		No	Principal	No	No	Inst
185	07	Other - Core Knowledge and Direct Instruction	Sheboygan Area School District	Lake Country Academy	K4-08	All student primary types	Other - Core Knowledge and D.I.	Traditional departmental model with each teacher teaching in their specific content area	No	Principal	No	No	Non Inst
146	11	Other - Creative Curriculum	New Richmond School District	NR4Kids Charter School	K4-K4	All student primary types	Other - Kindergarten Readiness		No	Teacher	No	No	Non Inst
112	01	Other - Developmental Bilingual	Milwaukee Public Schools	Academia de Lenguaje y Bellas Artes-ALBA	K3-05	Other - English Language Learners	Arts/Culture		Yes	Teacher	No	No	Inst
123	01	Other - Developmental Bilingual	Milwaukee Public Schools	La Causa Charter School	K4-08	All student primary types	Arts/Culture	Team teaching with integrated content areas	No	Principal	No	Yes	Non Inst
4	06	Other - differentiated HS, computer based, credit recovery and work experience	Appleton Area School District	Appleton Central High School	06-12	At-Risk	HS Completion (alter. Ed./credit recovery)		Yes	Principal	No	No	Inst
75	01	Other - Dimensions of Learning	Kenosha Unified School District No. 1	Dimensions of Learning Academy	K4-08	All student primary types	Other - Standards-based, Fine Arts integration, and Green Initiative	Other - Team Teaching with integrated content areas, project based sometimes teacher led, sometimes student choice.	No	Principal	No	No	Inst
2	06	Other - Dual Language Immersion/Bilingual	Appleton Area School District	Appleton Bilingual School	KG-04	All student primary types	Language Immersion		Yes	Principal	No	No	Inst
240	01	Other - Early childhood literacy based curriculum	Whitnall School District	CORE 4	K4-K4	All student primary types	Other - early childhood		Yes	Principal	No	No	Inst

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100	09	Other - Expeditionary Learning	Marathon City School District	Marathon Venture Academy	06-08	All student primary types	21st Century Skills		Yes	Principal	No	No	Inst
108	09	Other - Expeditionary Learning	Merrill Area Public Schools	Maple Grove Schoolhouse	KG-05	All student primary types	21st Century Skills		No	Teacher	No	No	Inst
127	01	Other - Expeditionary Learning	Milwaukee Public Schools	Milwaukee Environmental Sciences	K4-06	All student primary types	Environmental/Green			Principal	No	No	Non Inst
196	05	Other - Expeditionary Learning	Stevens Point Area School District	Point of Discovery School	06-08	All student primary types	21st Century Skills			Teacher	No	No	Inst
76	01	Other - General / Expeditionary Learning	Kenosha Unified School District No. 1	Harborside Academy	06-12	All student primary types	Liberal Arts (traditional curriculum courses)	Inquiry or project-based led by teacher	No	Principal	No	No	Inst
156	08	Other - Individual paced instruction	Oconto Falls Public School District	New Path Charter School	06-12	At-Risk	HS Completion (alter. Ed./credit recovery)	Other - Individual paced instruction	No	Teacher	No	No	Inst
121	01	Other - Inquiry/Problem Based, Multi Age	Milwaukee Public Schools	I.D.E.A.L. Charter School	K3-08	All student primary types	Other - Integrated curriculum based on science themes	Other - Grds 6-8 are team taught w/integrated content areas on inquiry based multi age model	Yes	Other - Teacher Led Cooperative Model	No	No	Inst
82	01	Other - Interdisciplinary Learning Collaborative	Kettle Moraine School District	KM School for Arts and Performance	09-12	All student primary types	Other - Fine Arts		Yes	School Director	No	No	Inst
167	11	Other - Interdisciplinary Learning Collaborative	Rice Lake Area School District	Northern Lakes Regional Academy	09-12	All student primary types	Other - Tech., Bus., Art/Design, Math & Science		No	Principal	No	No	Inst
181	07	Other - Multiple Intelligence	Sheboygan Area School District	Elementary School of the Arts and Academics	K4-05	All student primary types	21st Century Skills		Yes	Principal	No	No	Inst
242	05	Other - Neuroscience	Wisconsin Rapids Public Schools	THINK Academy	K4-05	All student primary types	21st Century Skills		No	Principal	No	No	Inst
128	01	Other - Play Based	Milwaukee Public Schools	Next Door Charter School	K4-KG	All student primary types	Other - Play Based Curriculum		No	Principal	No	No	Non Inst
101	02	Other - Portfolio completion	Marshall School District	Marshall Charter School	10-12	All student primary types	Other - Non-credit, portfolio-based high school completion		Yes	Teacher	No	No	Inst
42	01	Other - Rocketship Public School Model/College Prep	City of Milwaukee	Rocketship Southside Community Prep	K4-05	At-Risk	Liberal Arts (traditional curriculum courses)		No	Principal	No	No	2R
33	01	Other - Technology Integration	City of Milwaukee	Central City Cyberschool	K4-08	All student primary types	Liberal Arts (traditional curriculum courses)		No		No	No	2R
61	01	Other - Theatre and Arts Integration	Hartland-Lakeside J3 School District	Hartland School of Fine Arts Leadership Academy, The	KG-02	All student primary types	Arts/Culture		Yes	Principal	No	No	Inst
116	01	Other - Traditional with Special Support Structures	Milwaukee Public Schools	Carmen Northwest Campus School	06-12	All student primary types	Other - College Prep Liberal Arts and STEM			Principal	No	No	Non Inst

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210	01	Other - Traditional: 3-Rs School Design	UW-Milwaukee	Urban Day Charter School, Inc.	K4-08	At-Risk	Other - Traditional Elementary Curriculum	Team teaching with integrated content areas	No	Principal	No	No	2R
198	05	Other - Waldorf-inspired	Tomorrow River School District	Tomorrow River Community School	K4-06	All student primary types	Other - Waldorf-inspired		No	Teacher	No	No	Inst
72	06	Other - Writers Workshop	Kaukauna Area School District	New Directions Learning Community	KG-04	All student primary types	Other - Literacy		Yes	Principal	No	No	Inst
188	07	Other-Experiential Learning	Sheboygan Area School District	Sheboygan Leadership Academy	K4-08	All student primary types	Other-Phonetic Leadership/Character Education		No	Principal	No	No	Non Inst
80	01	Other-Generative Curriculum, Place Based Learning, and Multiage Learning	Kettle Moraine School District	KM Explore	KG-05	All student primary types	21st Century Skills		Yes	Principal	No	No	Inst
132	09	Other-Multi-age Classroom	Mimocqua J1 School District	Creative Minds Charter School	03-05	All student primary types	Arts/Culture		Yes	Teacher	No	No	Inst
3	06	Place Based	Appleton Area School District	Appleton Career Academy	09-12	All student primary types	21st Century Skills		Yes	Principal	No	No	Inst
10	06	Place Based	Appleton Area School District	Fox River Academy	01-08	All student primary types	Environmental/Green		Yes	Principal	No	No	Inst
60	01	Place Based	Greendale School District	Time 4 Learning Charter School	K4-K4	General/Liberal Arts	Liberal Arts (traditional curriculum courses)		Yes	Principal	No	No	Inst
64	03	Place Based	Highland School District	Highland Community Elementary School	K4-05	All student primary types	21st Century Skills		No	Principal	No	No	Inst
66	03	Place Based	Highland School District	Highland Community Middle School	06-08	All student primary types	Other - Inquiry/Problem-based	Inquiry or project-based led by teacher	No	Teacher	No	No	Inst
73	06	Place Based	Kaukauna Area School District	Park Community Charter School	01-04	All student primary types	21st Century Skills			Principal	No	No	Inst
95	02	Place Based	Madison Metropolitan School District	Badger Rock Middle School	06-08	All student primary types	Other - Cultural and Environmental Sustainability		No	Teacher	No	No	Inst
111	02	Place Based	Middleton Cross Plains Area School District	Clark Street Community School	09-12	All student primary types	21st Century Skills		No	Principal	No	No	Inst
133	09	Place Based	Mimocqua J1 School District	Woodland Progressive School for 21st Century Citizens	06-08	All student primary types	21st Century Skills	Inquiry or project-based determined primarily by students	Yes	Teacher	No	No	Inst
135	05	Place Based	Montello School District	Forest Lane Charter School	K4-06	All student primary types	21st Century Skills		No	Principal	No	No	Inst
151	12	Place Based	Northwood School District	NorthStar Community Charter School	04-08	All student primary types	21st Century Skills		Yes	Teacher	No	No	Inst
231	09	Place Based	Wausau Area School District	Wausau Engineering and Global Leadership Academy	09-12	All student primary types	Science, Tech., Engr., and Math (STEM)	Team teaching with integrated content areas	Yes	Teacher	No	No	Inst

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14	06	Project Based Learning	Appleton Area School District	Tesla Engineering Charter School	09-12	All student primary types	Science, Tech., Engr., and Math (STEM)	Inquiry or project-based led by teacher	Yes	Other - Our Board	No	No	Inst
15	06	Project Based Learning	Appleton Area School District	Valley New School	07-12	All student primary types	21st Century Skills	Inquiry or project-based led by teacher	No	Other - Four Advisor Team	No	No	Inst
17	12	Project Based Learning	Ashland School District	Ashland Charter High School	09-12	All student primary types	Other - Student Driven	Project Based	Yes	Teacher	No	No	Inst
18	12	Project Based Learning	Ashland School District	Ashland Elementary Charter School	03-05	All student primary types	21st Century Skills		Yes	No	No	No	Inst
19	12	Project Based Learning	Ashland School District	Oredocker Project School	06-08	All student primary types	21st Century Skills			Teacher	No	No	Inst
20	10	Project Based Learning	Augusta School District	Wildlands Science Research Charter School	06-12	All student primary types	Environmental/Green	Inquiry or project-based led by teacher	No	Teacher	No	No	Inst
23	02	Project Based Learning	Beloit School District	Roy Chapman Andrews Academy	06-12	All student primary types	Other - self-paced, student interest	Inquiry or project-based led by teacher	Yes	Principal	No	No	Inst
24	11	Project Based Learning	Birchwood School District	Birchwood Blue Hills Charter School	07-12	All student primary types	Liberal Arts, 21st Century Skills	Project Based	No	Teacher, Principal	No	No	Inst
28	12	Project Based Learning	Butternut School District	Promethean Charter School	09-12	All student primary types	21st Century Skills	Combination of online and face-to-face instruction	Yes	Teacher	No	No	Inst
31	12	Project Based Learning	Chequamegon School District	Class ACT	09-12	All student primary types	Career Technical Education (Tech Ed.)	Other-Online and student led project based education	Yes	Other - Advisor	No	No	Inst
36	01	Project Based Learning	City of Milwaukee	Escuela Verde	07-12	At-Risk	21st Century Skills			Teacher	No	No	2R
43	05	Project Based Learning	Columbus School District	Discovery Charter School	KG-03	All student primary types	Environmental/Green		Yes	Principal	No	No	Inst
46	09	Project Based Learning	D.C. Everest Area School District	DC Everest Idea School	06-11	All student primary types	21st Century Skills		No	Principal	No	No	Inst
48	07	Project Based Learning	Denmark School District	Denmark Community School	07-12	All student primary types	21st Century Skills		Yes	Teacher	No	No	Inst
53	06	Project Based Learning	Fond du Lac School District	Fond du Lac STEM Academy	03-05	All student primary types	Science, Tech., Engr., and Math (STEM)		No	Teacher	No	No	Inst
54	06	Project Based Learning	Fond du Lac School District	Fond du Lac STEM Institute	06-08	All student primary types	Science, Tech., Engr., and Math (STEM)		Yes	Teacher	No	No	Inst
59	07	Project Based Learning	Green Bay Area Public School District	John Dewey Academy of Learning	08-12	All student primary types	21st Century Skills		No	Teacher	No	No	Inst
63	12	Project Based Learning	Hayward Community School District	Northern Waters Environmental School	06-10	All student primary types	Environmental/Green		Yes	Teacher	No	No	Inst
67	06	Project Based Learning	Hortonville Area School District	Fox West Academy	06-08	All student primary types	21st Century Skills		Yes	Teacher	No	No	Inst
71	02	Project Based Learning	Janesville School District	TAGOS Leadership Academy	07-12	All student primary types		Inquiry or project-based led by teacher	No	Principal	No	No	Inst

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78	01	Project Based Learning	Kenosha Unified School District No. 1	Kenosha School of Technology Enhanced Curriculum (KTEC)	K4-08	All student primary types		Team teaching with integrated content areas	No	Principal	No	No	Inst
83	06	Project Based Learning	Kewaskum School District	i4Learning Community School	KG-05	All student primary types	21st Century Skills		No	Principal	No	No	Inst
86	04	Project Based Learning	La Crosse School District	La Crosse Design Institute	06-08	All student primary types	Science, Tech., Engr., and Math (STEM)		Yes	Principal	No	No	Inst
90	04	Project Based Learning	La Crosse School District	Seven Rivers Community Charter High School	09-10	All student primary types	21st Century Skills			Principal	No	No	Inst
94	05	Project Based Learning	Lodi School District	Ouisconsin School of Collaboration	03-05	All student primary types	Liberal Arts (traditional curriculum courses)		Yes	Teacher	No	No	Inst
102	05	Project Based Learning	Mauston School District	iLEAD Charter School	07-12	All student primary types	21st Century Skills		Yes	Principal	No	No	Inst
134	02	Project Based Learning	Monona Grove School District	Monona Grove Liberal Arts Charter School for the 21st Century	09-12	At-Risk	21st Century Skills	Team teaching with integrated content areas	No	Teacher	No	No	Inst
136	05	Project Based Learning	Montello School District	High Marq Environmental Charter School	07-12	All student primary types	Environmental/Green	Inquiry or project-based led by teacher	Yes	Teacher	No	No	Inst
141	05	Project Based Learning	Nekoosa School District	Central Wisconsin STEM Academy	04-08	All student primary types	Science, Tech., Engr., and Math (STEM)		Yes	Principal	No	No	Inst
142	05	Project Based Learning	Nekoosa School District	Niikuusra Community School	04-08	All student primary types	Language Immersion		Yes	Principal	No	No	Non Inst
149	09	Project Based Learning	Northland Pines School District	School of Options and Applied Research (S.O.A.R.) High School	08-12	All student primary types	21st Century Skills		Yes	Principal	No	No	Inst
150	09	Project Based Learning	Northland Pines School District	School of Options and Applied Research (S.O.A.R.) Middle School	05-08	All student primary types	21st Century Skills		Yes	Principal	No	No	Inst
157	08	Project Based Learning	Oconto Unified School District	Bayshore Community Academy	05-08	All student primary types	21st Century Skills		Yes	Principal	No	No	Inst
163	01	Project Based Learning	Racine Unified School District	Racine Civil Leaders Academy	K4-05	All student primary types	Science, Tech., Engr., and Math (STEM)		No	Principal	No	No	Inst
165	09	Project Based Learning	Rhinelander School District	Northwoods Community Elementary School	K4-05	All student primary types	21st Century Skills		No	Other - Part time principal	No	No	Inst
166	09	Project Based Learning	Rhinelander School District	Northwoods Community Secondary School	06-12	All student primary types	21st Century Skills	Inquiry or project-based led by teacher	No	Other - Mostly teacher led	No	No	Inst
169	06	Project Based Learning	Ripon Area School District	Catalyst Charter Middle School	06-08	All student primary types	Science, Tech., Engr., and Math (STEM)		No	Principal	No	No	Inst
170	06	Project Based Learning	Ripon Area School District	Journey Charter School	KG-02	All student primary types	21st Century Skills		Yes	Principal	No	No	Inst

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172	06	Project Based Learning	Ripon Area School District	Quest Charter School	03-05	All student primary types	Global Studies		Yes	Principal	No	Inst
176	06	Project Based Learning	Rosendale-Brandon School District	Cirrus Charter High School	09-12	All student primary types	Other - Arts-Technology-infused 21st Century Skills		Yes	Principal	No	Inst
178	05	Project Based Learning	Sauk Prairie School District	Merrimac Community	PK-05	Other - K-5 Blend	Environmental/Green		No	Teacher	No	Inst
180	07	Project Based Learning	Sheboygan Area School District	Central High School	09-12	At-Risk	HS Completion (alter. Ed./credit recovery)		No	Teacher	No	Inst
189	01	Project Based Learning	Shorewood School District	New Horizons for Learning	09-12	At-Risk	Environmental/Green		Yes	Principal	No	Inst
194	04	Project Based Learning	Sparta Area School District	Sparta High Point Charter School	07-12	All student primary types	21st Century Skills	Inquiry or project-based led by teacher	No	Other - Leadership Team	No	Inst
215	02	Project Based Learning	Verona Area School District	Exploration Academy	09-12	All student primary types	21st Century Skills		Yes	Principal	No	Inst
221	02	Project Based Learning	Watertown Unified Sch Dist	Endeavor Charter School	09-12	All student primary types	21st Century Skills		Yes	Teacher	No	Inst
228	06	Project Based Learning	Waupun School District	School for Agricultural and Environmental Studies, The	KG-07	All student primary types	Other - Ag/Enviro		No	Principal	No	Inst
232	01	Project Based Learning	Wauwatosa School District	Wauwatosa STEM	KG-05	All student primary types	Science, Tech., Engr., and Math (STEM)		Yes	Principal	No	Inst
235	06	Project Based Learning	West Bend School District	Pathways	07-10	All student primary types	Career Technical Education (Tech Ed.)				No	Inst
236	07	Project Based Learning	West De Pere School District	Phantom Knight School of Opportunity	07-12	At-Risk	Other - Post-Secondary Education		No	Teacher	No	Inst
37	01	Traditional Instruction	City of Milwaukee	Kings Academy	K4-08	All student primary types	Liberal Arts (traditional curriculum courses)	Team teaching with integrated content areas	No	Teacher	No	2R
38	01	Traditional Instruction	City of Milwaukee	Milwaukee Academy of Science	K4-12	All student primary types	Science, Tech., Engr., and Math (STEM)	Traditional departmental model with each teacher teaching in their specific content area	No	Principal	No	2R
40	01	Traditional Instruction	City of Milwaukee	Milwaukee Math and Science Academy	K4-08	At-Risk	Science, Tech., Engr., and Math (STEM)		No	Principal	No	2R
89	04	Traditional Instruction	La Crosse School District	School of Technology & Arts II (SOTA II)	06-08	All student primary types	Other - Arts and Technology		Yes	Principal	No	Inst
91	10	Traditional Instruction	Ladysmith Hawkins School District	Health Care Academy	09-12	All student primary types	Career Technical Education (Tech Ed.)	Traditional departmental model with each teacher teaching in their specific content area	Yes	Teacher	No	Inst
96	02	Traditional Instruction	Madison Metropolitan School District	James C. Wright Middle School	06-08	All student primary types	Service Learning	Traditional departmental model with each teacher teaching in their specific content area	No	Principal	No	Inst
114	01	Traditional Instruction	Milwaukee Public Schools	Business & Economics Academy of Milwaukee (BEAM)	K4-08	All student primary types	Liberal Arts (traditional curriculum courses)		Yes	Principal	No	Non Inst

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115 01		Traditional Instruction	Milwaukee Public Schools	Carmen High School of Science and Technology	09-12	All student primary types	Other - College Preparatory		Yes	Principal	No	No	Non Inst
119 01		Traditional Instruction	Milwaukee Public Schools	Hmong American Peace Academy (HAPA)	K4-12	All student primary types	Liberal Arts (traditional curriculum courses)		Yes	Principal	No	No	Non Inst
124 01		Traditional Instruction	Milwaukee Public Schools	Milwaukee College Preparatory - 38th Street	K4-07	All student primary types	Liberal Arts (traditional curriculum courses)		No	Principal	No	No	Non Inst
125 01		Traditional Instruction	Milwaukee Public Schools	Milwaukee College Preparatory - Lloyd Street	K4-08	All student primary types	Liberal Arts (traditional curriculum courses)		No	Principal	No	No	Non Inst
130 01		Traditional Instruction	Milwaukee Public Schools	Universal Academy for the College Bound	K4-08	All student primary types	Liberal Arts (traditional curriculum courses)		No	Principal	No	No	Non Inst
139 01		Traditional Instruction	Mukwonago Area School District	Eagleville Elementary Charter School	01-06	All student primary types	Environmental/Green		No	Principal	No	No	Inst
164 01		Traditional Instruction	Racine Unified School District	REAL School	06-12	All student primary types	Liberal Arts (traditional curriculum courses)	Traditional departmental model with each teacher teaching in their specific content area	Yes	Teacher	No	No	Inst
192 04		Traditional Instruction	Sparta Area School District	Sparta Area Independent Learning Charter School (SAILS)	09-12	At-Risk	HS Completion (alter. Ed./credit recovery)	Traditional departmental model with each teacher teaching in their specific content area	No	Principal	No	No	Inst
193 04		Traditional Instruction	Sparta Area School District	Sparta Charter Preschool	K4-PK	All student primary types	Other - basic skills		No	Principal	No	No	Inst
195 05		Traditional Instruction	Stevens Point Area School District	C.A.R.E. (Concerned About Reaching Everyone)	07-09	At-Risk	HS Completion (alter. Ed./credit recovery)	Traditional departmental model with each teacher teaching in their specific content area	Yes	Principal	No	No	Inst
202 01		Traditional Instruction	UW-Milwaukee	La Casa de Esperanza Charter School	K4-08	At-Risk	Liberal Arts (traditional curriculum courses)		No	Principal	No	No	2R
203 01		Traditional Instruction	UW-Milwaukee	Milwaukee College Preparatory School - 36th Street	K4-08	All student primary types	Other - College Prep		No	Principal	No	No	2R
204 01		Traditional Instruction	UW-Milwaukee	Milwaukee College Preparatory School - North Y	K4-08	All student primary types	Other - College Prep		No	Principal	No	No	2R
205 01		Traditional Instruction	UW-Milwaukee	Milwaukee Scholars Charter School	K4-08	All student primary types	Liberal Arts (traditional curriculum courses)	Team teaching with integrated content areas	No	Principal	No	No	2R
208 01		Traditional Instruction	UW-Milwaukee	Tenor High School	09-12	All student primary types	Career Technical Education (Tech Ed.)		No	Principal	No	No	2R
216 02		Traditional Instruction	Verona Area School District	New Century School	KG-05	All student primary types	Environmental/Green		Yes	Principal	No	No	Inst
224 01		Traditional Instruction	Waukesha School District	Waukesha Academy of Health Professions	09-12	All student primary types	Other - Health Science		Yes	Principal, Teacher	No	No	Inst
237 06		Traditional Instruction	Weyauwega-Fremont School District	Waupaca County Charter School	06-12	All student primary types	Other - Social Skill instruction imbedded in traditional core courses	Other - Specific content areas, and project led instruction by teacher	No	Other - Alternative Education Coordinator	No	Yes	Non Inst

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	Charter School		Chartering Authority		Grades Served	School Type	Location #
1	0100	21st Century Preparatory School	8110	UW-Parkside	K4-08	All student primary types	213
2	0100	Bruce Guadalupe Community School	8123	UW-Milwaukee	K4-08	All student primary types	200
3	0100	Capitol West Academy	8114	UW-Milwaukee	K4-08	All student primary types	201
4	1211	Central City Cyberschool	8105	City of Milwaukee	K4-08	All student primary types	33
5	0100	Darrell Lynn Hines (DLH) Academy	8109	City of Milwaukee	K4-08	All student primary types	34
6	1056	Downtown Montessori Academy	8101	City of Milwaukee	K3-08	All student primary types	35
7	0400	Escuela Verde	8131	City of Milwaukee	07-12	At-Risk	36
8	0100	Kings Academy	8126	City of Milwaukee	K4-08	All student primary types	37
9	0100	La Casa de Esperanza Charter School	8135	UW-Milwaukee	K4-08	At-Risk	202
10	1251	Milwaukee Academy of Science	8106	City of Milwaukee	K4-12	All student primary types	38
11	0100	Milwaukee College Preparatory School - 36th Street	8103	UW-Milwaukee	K4-08	All student primary types	203
12	0100	Milwaukee College Preparatory School – North Campus	8134	UW-Milwaukee	K4-08	All student primary types	204
13	0400	Milwaukee Collegiate Academy	8127	City of Milwaukee	09-12	All student primary types	39
14	0800	Milwaukee Math and Science Academy	8128	City of Milwaukee	K4-08	At-Risk	40
15	0100	Milwaukee Scholars Charter School	8129	UW-Milwaukee	K4-08	All student primary types	205
16	0800	North Point Lighthouse Charter	8130	City of Milwaukee	K4-06	All student primary types	41
17	0100	Rocketship Southside Community Prep	8133	City of Milwaukee	K4-05	At-Risk	42
18	1279	School for Early Development & Achievement (SEDA)	8107	UW-Milwaukee	K3-02	All student primary types	206
19	0100	Seeds of Health, Inc.: Seeds of Health Elementary School	8121	UW-Milwaukee	K4-08	All student primary types	207
20	0400	Seeds of Health, Inc.: Tenor High School	8115	UW-Milwaukee	09-12	All student primary types	208
22	0400	Seeds of Health, Inc.: Veritas High School	8124	UW-Milwaukee	09-12	General/Liberal Arts	209
21	0100	Urban Day Charter School, Inc.	8125	UW-Milwaukee	K4-08	At-Risk	210
23	8728	Woodlands School – Bluemound Campus	8113	UW-Milwaukee	K4-08	All student primary types	211
24	0100	Woodlands School East (WSE)	8132	UW-Milwaukee	K4-08	All student primary types	212



## Appendix G: Resources

**Wisconsin laws governing charter schools:** <http://docs.legis.wisconsin.gov/statutes/statutes/118.pdf>  
Search for Statute 118.40 Charter Schools

**DPI Charter Schools Home page:** <http://dpi.wi.gov/sms/charter-schools>

**Institute for the Transformation of Learning, Marquette University,** research and program support:  
[http://www.marquette.edu/education/centers\\_clinics/institute-for-the-transformation-of-learning.shtml](http://www.marquette.edu/education/centers_clinics/institute-for-the-transformation-of-learning.shtml)

**University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee (UWM), Office of Charter Schools,** School of Education, see  
[http://www4.uwm.edu/soe/centers/charter\\_schools/](http://www4.uwm.edu/soe/centers/charter_schools/)

**Innovative Schools Network (ISN),** charter schools network and technical assistance provider; see  
<http://www.innovativeschoolsnetwork.com/>

**Wisconsin Green Schools Network (WGSN),** charter schools network and technical assistance provider,  
see <http://eeinwisconsin.org/net/org/info.aspx?s=93142.0.0.2209>

**Wisconsin Montessori Association (WMA),** charter schools network and technical assistance provider,  
see <http://wisconsinmontessori.com/>

### Resources: National

**United State Department of Education's (USDE) Office of Innovation and Improvement, Charter Schools Program,** see <http://innovation.ed.gov/what-we-do/charter-schools/>

To learn about charter schools in general, or to find information about starting a new charter school, please visit the **National Charter School Resource Center:**  
<http://www.charterschoolcenter.org>

**National Association of Charter School Authorizers (NACSA):**  
For guidance on principles and standards for quality authorizing, please download a copy of:  
[http://www.qualitycharters.org/assets/files/images/stories/publications/Principles.Standards.2012\\_pub.pdf](http://www.qualitycharters.org/assets/files/images/stories/publications/Principles.Standards.2012_pub.pdf)

**National Alliance for Public Charter Schools,** organizes national charter schools conference and provides technical assistance, see <http://www.publiccharters.org/>