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Two WBSD Schools Earn Highest Rating on 2023-2024 Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction Accountability Report Cards

Data from Report Cards Useful for Continuous Improvement

West Bend – The West Bend School District received ratings on the 2023-2024 Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction (DPI) Accountability Report Cards released for every publicly funded school and district in the state on November 19, 2024.

Both Decorah and Green Tree Elementary Schools earned the highest rating possible, Significantly Exceeds Expectations (five-star rating). For the third straight year, Green Tree earned a perfect Math Growth score of 100. Growth scores for both Decorah and Green Tree ranked in the top 10% of elementary schools in the state.

Each school student enrollment is unique; therefore, the state places different weights on Priority Weight Areas in the report card to calculate each individual school's rating. The West Bend Schools use the data on targeted performance areas and outcomes to inform all School Improvement Plans, including goal setting and action steps on school-developed strategies.

There are five total accountability ratings: Significantly Exceeds (five stars), Exceeds (four stars), Meets (three stars), Meets Few (two stars), or Fails to Meet Expectations (one star). General information about the report cards is available on the Wisconsin DPI website at <https://dpi.wi.gov/accountability/report-cards> and the report cards can be found on the Wisconsin DPI website at <https://apps2.dpi.wi.gov/reportcards/home>.

All West Bend School District scores for 2023-2024 include:

Decorah Elementary School - Significantly Exceeds Expectations, five-star rating
Green Tree Elementary School - Significantly Exceeds Expectations, five-star rating
Fair Park Elementary School - Exceeds Expectations, four-star rating
Jackson Elementary School - Exceeds Expectations, four-star rating

McLane Elementary School - Exceeds Expectations, four-star rating
Silverbrook Intermediate School - Exceeds Expectations, four-star rating
Badger Middle School - Meets Few Expectations, two-star rating
East High School - Meets Expectations, three-star rating
West High School - Meets Expectations, three-star rating
West Bend School District - Meets Expectations, three-star rating

"Thank you to our students and staff for their hard work and commitment to excellence. Each DPI report card is tailored to each school, so they are one valuable piece of information that the school staff uses when examining students' performance in math and English Language Arts," said Jen Wimmer, superintendent.

The Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction's (DPI) overall goal for Wisconsin's accountability systems is to help identify areas of strength to build upon and deepen, as well as to pinpoint areas needing improvement so all students graduate from high school ready for their next step.

"These school accountability report cards are a resource we use to examine our strengths and areas for improvement, we will closely review all the data to continue our efforts," said Wimmer.

The West Bend Joint School District #1 is proud to serve students and their families from the city of West Bend, villages of Jackson and Newburg, and townships of Barton, Polk, Trenton, Jackson, West Bend, and Addison. We strive to ensure that every student is given the opportunity to reach their potential through academics, the arts, and co-curricular activities. Within our community-based 4K program, Head Start program, five elementary schools (K-4), one intermediate school (5-6), one middle school (7-8), and two high schools (9-12), families can expect a high-performing learning environment. Visit west-bend.k12.wi.us for more information.

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