

# SCHOOL DISTRICT OF WHITEFISH BAY

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The Whitefish Bay School District



## Information Release

### District and School Report Card Results for

### Whitefish Bay Released - November 17, 2016

The Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction has released School and District Report Cards for every publicly funded school and district in the state. The Report Cards are intended to help all schools and districts utilize data on specific measures to target improvement efforts to ensure students are ready for the next educational step – including the next grade level, graduation, college, and careers.

The current **School Report Card, based on the 2015-16 school year**, looks a bit different than in the past due to changes required by the legislature. The overall idea for how report cards work is the same. At the foundation of the report cards are four priority areas. Schools and districts receive a score for each priority area:

- **Student Achievement** proficiency in reading and mathematics on state assessments;
- **Student Growth** measured by year-to-year improvements in achievement;
- **Closing Gaps** in performance between specific student groups (comparing English language learners, low-income students, students with disabilities, and members of a racial or an ethnic group with their peers);
- **On-Track and Postsecondary Readiness** is a measurement using reliable predictors of high school graduation and potential post high school success.

The priority area scores are then aggregated into an overall accountability score, from 0 to 100. This score is displayed in the top left corner of the School or District Report Cards. It is important to note that the 0 to 100 accountability score is not a “percent correct” measurement. The score is primarily based on our performance last year, the 2015-16 school year, across the four priority areas.

Schools and districts are also evaluated on their level of student engagement – test participation rates, chronic absenteeism rates, and dropout rates when applicable. Based on its score, a school or district receives one of five rating categories, from *Fails to Meet Expectations* to *Significantly Exceeds Expectations*, as well as one to five stars.

DPI has produced two versions of each Report Card: a quick one-pager labeled “School Report Card” and lengthier, detailed version labeled, “School Report Card Detail.” Both versions can be accessed online at <http://dpi.wi.gov/accountability/report-cards> along with resources that explain the report cards.

## Whitefish Bay School District Report Card Results

Report Card	Numerical Score	Overall Rating Descriptor
Whitefish Bay School District	89.0	Significantly Exceeds Expectations 5 Star: *****
Cumberland Elementary	90.9	Significantly Exceeds Expectations 5 Star: *****
Richards Elementary	88.1	Significantly Exceeds Expectations 5 Star: *****
Whitefish Bay Middle School	86.5	Significantly Exceeds Expectations 5 Star: *****
Whitefish Bay High School	83.3	Significantly Exceeds Expectations 5 Star: *****

These report cards are just one source of information about our schools and district. Our community continues to value many learning priorities, not measured on this indicator. These include a focus on whole child development, student’s ability to chase their learning and passion, 21<sup>st</sup> century learning skills, and our newly adopted seven thriving dispositions. Additional information on these priorities can be located at [http://www.wfbschools.com/district/director\\_curriculum\\_instr.cfm](http://www.wfbschools.com/district/director_curriculum_instr.cfm).

Although we are extremely proud of our report cards, the Whitefish Bay School District is committed to continue to use state and local assessment data to close achievement gaps, monitor our progress on college and career readiness standards and expectations, and to increase the performance of all students to ensure we continue to be an “exceptional place to learn.”

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