

SCHOOL DISTRICT OF WHITEFISH BAY

The Whitefish Bay School District



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An Exceptional Place To Learn

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Welcome to the School District of Whitefish Bay!

Whitefish Bay is a caring community that values education, is proud of its children and schools, holds high expectations for academic success and whole child development, and is highly supportive of the arts, co-curricular activities, and athletics. Our district continues to be known as one of the very best PreK-12th grade public school districts, not just in Wisconsin but nationally. We believe and we hope you will find the School District of Whitefish Bay is ***“An Exceptional Place to Learn.”***

The School Community

The School District of Whitefish Bay is full of thoughtful, hard-working, caring and committed team members who are dedicated to success in every school, in every department, in every classroom, and for every student. We enjoy high-achieving students, engaged families, exceptional faculty and staff, and excellent well maintained facilities. In Whitefish Bay our school community is our strength.



The District Focus Plan

The importance of our students developing strong academic and 21st century skills in a supportive environment that addresses the whole child and is vital to and guides our work is highlighted in [The District Focus Plan](#). By mentoring students and partnering with families we work to ensure each and every student pursues high levels of learning; engages deeply in and owns their learning; chooses to engage in community service beyond themselves; and discovers and pursues their passions both in and out of the classroom.

We believe this approach is essential to the healthy development of every student. A high level of focus around the [Seven Thriving Dispositions](#) and instructional strategies that empower all learners to be self-monitoring and self-directed learners will provide them with a foundation of transferable skills into the new global economy.



Enhancing a Culture of Safety

Safety is a community's collective responsibility. School safety connects feelings, emotions, relationships, and physical protection with the willingness/ability to plan, prepare and execute, while thoughtfully and purposely attending to the physical structures and procedures in order to enhance and maximize safety.

Proactively managing our schools and visitor management process; ensuring all staff and students are trained and ready to respond to a wide range of events; ensuring each student has trusting adults in school; attending to the social and emotional development of all students; and fostering improved levels of communication between school stakeholders, better positions all to be safe. Our ongoing positive partnership with the Village Police enhances our culture of safety. We share the collective responsibility to ensure all are safe.



If you see something or hear something, say something.

Whole Child, Wellbeing & Excellence

Students select courses and plan their learning to align with their interests, passions and post high school plans. Our students engage in fine arts, athletics, co-curriculars and service both in and out of school. We believe attending to the whole child and student wellbeing throughout the educational experience positions our students to be prepared, resilient and healthy contributing adults in the future.

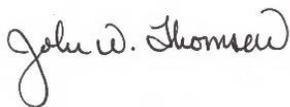


Whitefish Bay High School appears at or near the top of national and state rankings consistently (*US News & World Report*, *Newsweek* and *Milwaukee Magazine*). We are the only district in Wisconsin to have earned an average ACT score above **25 for 18+** years as the Graduating Class Composite.

Thank You

On behalf of our students and team members, thank you for your interest, support and pride in the School District of Whitefish Bay.

Yours in Education,



Dr. John W. Thomsen

Thank You!

