Educational Options
The Pulaski Community School District offers a wide variety of educational options to children who live in the District and to students who attend our schools under Open Enrollment.

Our schools offer many great opportunities and activities for children and families, and we welcome open-enrolled students! The open enrollment program allows students outside the Pulaski Community School District to enroll in our schools without paying tuition. Visit our [website](http://www.pulaskischools.org/about/open-enrollment) for more information on how to enroll at Pulaski.

There are many reasons to enroll in our schools, starting with the performance of our district as highlighted in our report card from the state of Wisconsin. The Pulaski Community School District was awarded the designation of “exceed expectations” by the state. Hillcrest Elementary School significantly exceeded expectations, while Glenbrook Elementary School, Sunnyside Elementary School, Lannoye Elementary School, Fairview Elementary School, Pulaski Community Middle School, and Pulaski High School exceeded state expectations.  The full version of our report cards can be accessed at the following link: <https://apps2.dpi.wi.gov/reportcards/>, by searching “school report card” on the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction website, or on our District website at <http://www.pulaskischools.org/about/school-report-cards>.

Because of the COVID-19 pandemic and the student assessment waivers for the 2019-20 school year, the Department of Public Instruction (DPI) is prohibited by state statutes from publishing a school and school district accountability report in the 2020-21 school year.  Therefore, the district website reflects a pause in school accountability reports that are provided to parents/guardians between the 2018-19 and 2020-2021 school years.

The Pulaski Community School District offers an educational pathway and instructional program that progresses from Four-Year-Old Kindergarten (4K) through 12th grade. Some of the specific educational programs offered to eligible students who are enrolled in and attending the District’s schools include:

* Early World Language Program
* Digital Learning Initiative, offering increased access to technology for all students
* Advanced Placement and College Credit Courses
* Project Lead the Way, a pre-engineering program
* Early childhood special education
* Special education for students with disabilities
* English language learner
* Gifted and Talented for Advanced Learners
* Career and Technical Education (CTE) programs
* Visual Arts, Music, Performing Arts, and Drama
* Personalized learning and individualized programs
* Alternative education program(s)
* At-risk education (e.g., for students identified as being at-risk of not graduating high school)
* Summer school programming

Additional Educational Options

Eligible students who are enrolled in the District have the opportunity to attend other educational institutions on a part-time basis through two programs:

* The [Early College Credit Program (ECCP)](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1j5YaP79486O_5l2sxyFuT9jXTh_sQ0soNiqtnWTZs7s/edit) allows public high students who meet certain requirements to enroll in a UW System institution, or a private, nonprofit institution of higher education to take one or more nonsectarian courses, for which the pupil may earn high school credit, post-secondary credit, or both.
* [Start College Now](https://www.nwtc.edu/high-school-students/taking-college-credit-in-high-school/start-college-now) provides learning opportunities for qualified high school juniors and seniors.  This program allows students the opportunity to take post-secondary (college courses) at the technical college during the regular academic year. The student can receive both high school and post-secondary credit for successfully completing the course.
* There are two ways that students can gain work experience while they are in high school.  They can enroll in a school sponsored work experience program such as Youth Apprenticeships (Grades 11-12) or the Co-op program (Grade 12).  More information regarding the Youth apprenticeship and Co-op Programs can be found on the PHS website [Apprenticeship/Employment](https://www.pulaskischools.org/high/student-services/apprenticeshipemployment).
* High school students meeting certain age and other eligibility requirements may be permitted to attend a technical college or certain other programs for the purpose of completing a program leading to the student’s high school graduation or to a high school equivalency diploma.
* **Full-time Open Enrollment** involves physical attendance in a public school of a nonresident district or attendance through a virtual charter school that is associated with a nonresident school district.
* Beginning in the 2016-2017 school year, a child with a disability who meets the program’s specific eligibility requirements may apply to attend an eligible, participating private school under a scholarship awarded through the state’s “[Special Needs Scholarship Program](http://dpi.wi.gov/sms/special-needs-scholarship),” as established under section 115.7915 of the state statutes.
* Enrollment in a [private school](https://dpi.wi.gov/parental-education-options/private-schools) of the family’s choosing (at the family’s own cost, as applicable).
* Enrollment in a [home-based private educational program](http://dpi.wi.gov/sms/home-based) as provided under state law

Educational options for children who reside in the PCSD but who are enrolled in and attending a private school or home-based private educational program include the following:

* Such students have the opportunity to attend PCSD [summer school classes/programs](http://www.pulaskischools.org/summerschool/) offered.
* Private school students in the high school grades have the opportunity to apply for approval to take up to two courses per semester in a District school, pursuant to section 118.145(4) of the state statutes.
* Students who are enrolled in a home-based private educational program have the opportunity to:
	+ apply for approval to take up to two courses per semester in public schools as provided under section 118.53; and
	+ participate in District interscholastic athletics as provided under section 118.133.

According to State Statute, the Pulaski Community School District is required to notify parents of the educational options available to children who reside in the resident school district. This statute also requires notification of the school’s accountability report.

For more information about any of the educational options listed in this notice, please contact the school Principals, District Office or the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction.