

## **Notice of Educational Options**

### **The Sharon Jt. 11 School District Notice of Educational Options For Children Who Reside in the School District**

The Sharon Jt. 11 School District offers students a variety of educational options to children who reside in the district. The mission of the Sharon Community School is to provide an education program that ensures equal educational opportunities for all children. These opportunities are offered in a positive and healthy environment wherein students can develop self-esteem and individual potential. Achieving this will permit them to begin to acquire the intellectual, social, physical, and cultural attitudes and skills important to live in a democratic society and function in a diverse and changing world. The Sharon Board of Education believes that fulfilling the mission is dependent on a strong partnership between students, parents, staff, administrator and members of the community. We participate in the Big Foot Area Schools Consortium in an effort to provide a seamless K-12 curriculum for students entering the Union High School that encompasses our district.

The District's primary educational pathway and instruction program for students involve a progression from 4-year-old kindergarten through 8th grade, leading to an 8th grade diploma.

We are a one-school district and our most recent state-assigned performance category is "Meets Expectations".

Some of the specific education programs offered to eligible students who are enrolled in and attending the District's school includes the following:

- Early childhood special education for students who are at least 3 years old but not yet school-aged
- Special education for students with disabilities
- English language learners
- Gifted and talented education
- Summer school programming

The full version of the District's most recent school accountability report, as issued by the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction under section 115.385 of the state statutes, can be accessed via the following page on the District's website: [www.sharon.k12.wi.us](http://www.sharon.k12.wi.us).

Educational options for children who reside in the District that involve full-time enrollment/attendance at a school, program, or other educational institution that is not a school or instrumentality of the Sharon Jt. 11 School District include the following:

- Full-time Open Enrollment involving physical attendance in a public school of a nonresident school 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 also apply to attend an eligible, participating private school under a scholarship awarded through the state's "Special Needs Scholarship Program," as established under section 115.7915 of the state statutes.
- Enrollment in a private school of the family's choosing (at the family's own cost, as applicable).
- Enrollment in a home-based private educational program as provided under state law.

Educational options for children who reside in the Sharon Jt. 11 School District but who are enrolled in attending a private school or a home-based private educational program include the following:

- Such students have an opportunity to attend summer school classes/programs offered in the District.
- 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 school as provided under section 118.53.
  - Participate in District interscholastic athletics and other extracurricular activities as provided under section 118.133.

For more information about any of the educational options listed in this notice, please contact the administrator at 262-736-4477 or the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction.