PESHTIGO SCHOOL DISTRICT CLASS 1 NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC January 2024

2015 Wisconsin Act 55 imposes a number of additional notice requirements on school districts. These notices are as follows:

District and School Accountability Report

Current state law requires the release of the most recent public schools accountability reports. The most recent one available is from the 2022-2023 school year:

| District: | 59.6 | Meets Expectations |
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| Peshtigo Elementary Learning Center: | 68.5 | Meets Expectations |
| Peshtigo Middle School: | 51.1 | Meets Few Expectations |
| Peshtigo High School: | 57.5 | Meets Expectations |

Please visit the District's website or the following site to review the full details regarding the District and/or School Accountability Report of the Peshtigo School District: http://apps2.dpi.wi.gov/reportcards/

Public School Options

| Peshtigo Elementary Learning Center | Peshtigo Middle School | Peshtigo High School |
|-------------------------------------|------------------------|----------------------|
| 341 N. Emery Avenue | 380 Green Street | 380 Green Street |
| Peshtigo, WI 54157 | Peshtigo, WI 54157 | Peshtigo, WI 54157 |
| (715) 582-3762 | (715) 582-3711 | (715) 582-3711 |

Private School Options

| St. Thomas Aquinas Academy |
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| 1200 Main Street |
| Marinette, WI 54143 |
| (715) 735-7481 |
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Other Educational Options

START COLLEGE NOW (Formerly known as Youth Options)

Please visit the following site to review information on eligibility and availability of other educational opportunities for high school age students as provided by Wisconsin Statutes: https://www.nwtc.edu/NWTC/media/academics/K-12%20Relations/Parent_Start-College-Now-Brochure.pdf

Course Options

Please visit the following site to review information on eligibility and availability of other educational opportunities for high school age students as provided by Wisconsin Statutes: http://courseoptions.dpi.wi.gov/

Open Enrollment Program

Please visit the following site to review information on eligibility and availability to school age students in Wisconsin to attend other public schools outside the resident school district: http://oe.dpi.wi.gov/

Virtual Charter Schools

Please visit the following site to review information on eligibility and availability to school age students in Wisconsin to participate in a virtual charter school: http://sms.dpi.wi.gov/charter-schools/

<u>Home-based Private Educational Program</u>

Please visit the following site to review information on the requirements associated with enrollment into a Home-based Private Educational Program.

http://sms.dpi.wi.gov/sms_homeb

NOTICE OF SPECIAL NEEDS SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

(Issued pursuant to section 115.7915(5)(a) of the state statutes)

This notice serves to inform parents and guardians of students with disabilities that the State of Wisconsin has established the "Special Needs Scholarship Program." Under this scholarship program, a child with a disability may be eligible to receive a scholarship from the Department of Public Instruction (DPI) that allows the child to attend a private school that is participating in the scholarship program. Students who apply for and receive a scholarship may first attend an eligible private school under the program beginning in the 2016-17 school year.

A parent or guardian who is interested in the Special Needs Scholarship Program should independently verify the participating private schools and the specific terms, eligibility criteria, and application procedures of the scholarship program with the DPI. However, the following are some of the initial eligibility requirements that a child must meet in order to receive a program scholarship that covers attendance at an eligible private school beginning in the 2016-17 school year:

- The child, or the child's parent or guardian on behalf of the child, must have submitted the required application for a program scholarship to the eligible private school that the child will attend.
- 2. An individualized education program, or a services plan as defined under 34 C.F.R. §300.37 of the federal special education regulations must have been completed for the child.
- 3. The child must have applied to attend a public school in one or more nonresident school districts under the state's fulltime open enrollment program (see section 118.51 of the statutes) for either the 2011-12, 2012-13, 2013-14, 2014-15, or 2015-16 school year, and all of the open enrollment applications(s) submitted for any of those school years must have been denied for one of several specified reasons (including having the DPI affirm the denials if the parent or guardian submitted an appeal).

4. The child must have attended a public school in Wisconsin for the 2015-16 school year.

The initial eligibility requirements that a child must meet in order to receive a program scholarship that covers attendance at an eligible private school beginning in the 2017-18 school year (or beginning in any later school year) are different from the requirements listed above. Additional information about the Special Needs Scholarship Program should be available on the website of the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction: http://dpi.wi.gov/sms/special-needs-scholarship

Please direct all questions regarding this notification requirement and/or associated educational options listed in this document to:

Mr. Patrick Rau, District Administrator (715) 582-3677, ext. 1010