



## DE SOTO AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

Wisconsin legislation requires that each school district provides parent notification on a variety of topics or important information. These notifications are expected to be shared with all families of students in De Soto Area Schools. If you have any questions, please contact the building principal or the superintendent at: 608-648-0102.

### **EDUCATIONAL OPTIONS AVAILABLE TO RESIDENT CHILDREN**

The De Soto Area Schools offers the following educational options for resident school aged children:

- Full-time Enrollment Opportunities which include: Core Course Academic Education, Reading Instruction, Vocational Education, Fine Arts Education, Physical and Health Education, Education for Employment Programs, Career Education, Environmental Education, Drug and Alcohol Education, and Programs that meet the needs of Students with Disabilities.
- Virtual Charter School
- Youth Options (<http://youthoptions.dpi.wi.gov>)
- Course Options (<http://courseoptions.dpi.wi.gov>)
- Dual Credit Courses (select courses earning credit from WTC and UW-Richland Center)
- Open Enrollment (<https://oe.dpi.wi.gov/>)
- Part-time Enrollment for Non-public School Children (<https://dpi.wi.gov/sms>)
- Elementary Summer School (Kelly Olson, Summer School Principal: [kolson@desoto.k12.wi.us](mailto:kolson@desoto.k12.wi.us))
- Middle/High School Summer School (Kelly Olson, Summer School Principal: [kolson@desoto.k12.wi.us](mailto:kolson@desoto.k12.wi.us))

### **SCHOOL DISTRICT ACCOUNTABILITY REPORT**

As part of the state accountability system, the Department of Instruction (DPI) has produced report cards for every school district in Wisconsin. These report cards provide data on multiple indicators for four priority areas: Student Achievement, Student Growth, Closing Gaps, and Postsecondary Readiness.

In May 2015, the Governor passed SB 67. This bill stipulates that the DPI shall not produce School Report cards for the 2014-2015 school year. The lack of report cards for this year is in recognition of the fact that the state tests used to calculate the report cards were new in 2014-2015 and will fundamentally change again in 2015-2016.

Previous De Soto Area Schools District accountability reports are available by clicking on the "District Performance" tab located in the left tool bar of the District's home webpage: [www.desoto.k12.wi.us](http://www.desoto.k12.wi.us)

## **ADOPTION OF ACADEMIC STANDARDS FOR 2015-2016**

De Soto Area Schools shall use the Wisconsin Model Academic Standards for Math, English Language Arts, Social Studies, High School Science, Career and Technical Education, Physical Education, Art and Music ([www.dpi.wi.gov/standards](http://www.dpi.wi.gov/standards)); and Next Generation Science Standards for Elementary and Middle School Science (<http://www.nextgenscience.org/next-generation-science-standards>). The guiding standards for Disciplinary Literacy ([www.dpi.wi.gov/standards/literacy-all-subjects](http://www.dpi.wi.gov/standards/literacy-all-subjects)) and Information and Technology Education Standards ([dpi.wi.gov/imt/digital-learning-planning/it-literacy-standards](http://dpi.wi.gov/imt/digital-learning-planning/it-literacy-standards)) are infused in all curricular areas.

The academic standards were adopted by the Board of Education on the 17th of August, 2015 and recorded in the board minutes of the August 17, 2015 meeting.