



RACINE UNIFIED  
SCHOOL DISTRICT

# Report To Our Community

# 2011



Educate Every  
Student  
To Succeed

# Focus on Children

Dear RUSD Families and the Racine Community,

As a longtime resident of Racine, I greatly value this community. I believe that the future of Racine lies in our youth. Everyone who lives in the Racine community shares responsibility for the success of our children. It is critical that we work together to support their education. This year, the Racine Unified School District (RUSD) will work with the community and parents to focus on the needs of children.



Dr. Ann Laing  
Interim Superintendent  
of Schools

RUSD staff work hard every day to create positive learning environments for students, engage students in appropriate learning activities, establish positive working relationships with students and parents and improve student achievement in our efforts to reach our North Star Vision. The reality is that schools cannot do this work alone. We must reach out to the community. We hope you will consider offering your support.

There are many ways you can support Racine children. You can visit a school to learn about the positive things going on there. You can offer your time to serve as a mentor or classroom volunteer. You can create positive conversations in the community about RUSD students and schools. You can believe in our children.

RUSD is also working to engage parents in their children's education. Parents can support their children by getting them to school every day, talking to them, listening to their concerns and needs, checking their backpacks to see what is happening at school, reading to them, listening to them read and providing a quiet place to do homework.

This year, RUSD will work harder to help the community know the great things that are happening in our schools every day. We will also work to help the community understand the needs of students who require more help and support to achieve at higher levels. Through open and honest communication and dialogue, we hope to reach out to all of you for your support.

It is imperative that the entire Racine community embrace Racine children and focus our energy and passion on working together to ensure that they succeed. They are our children. They are our future.

Sincerely,

Dr. Ann Laing, Interim Superintendent of Schools

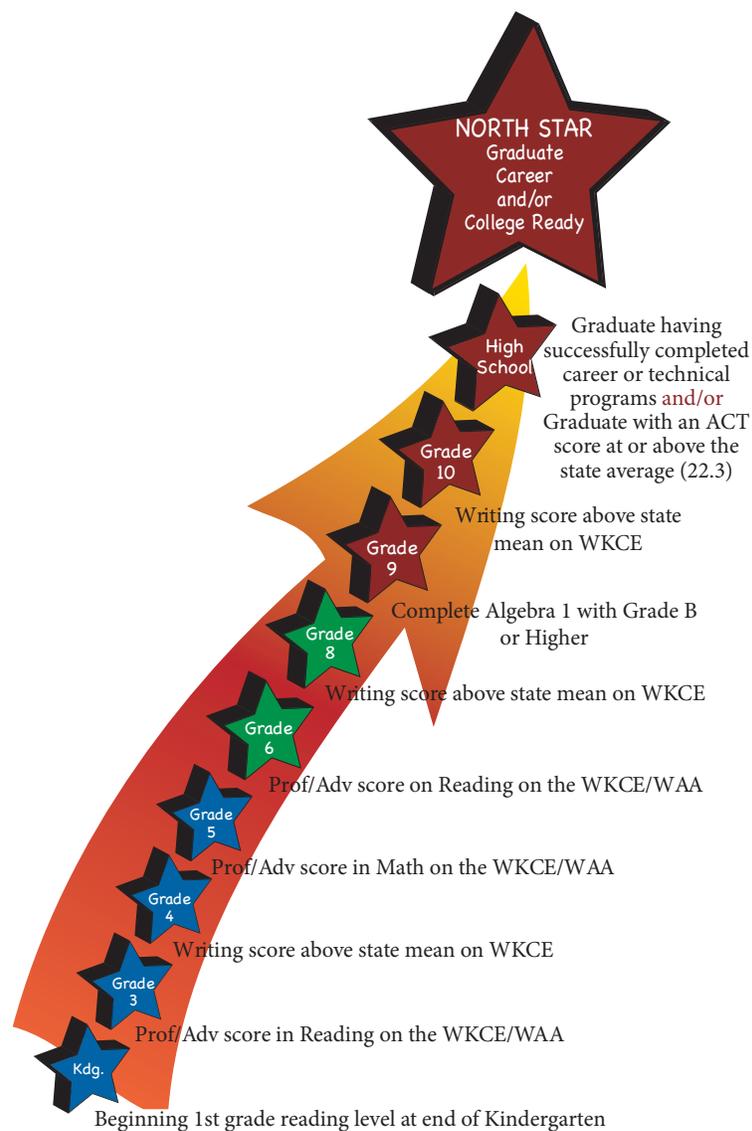
## Learn More Online

Watch the fifth-annual State of the District Address, presented by Dr. Ann Laing, Racine Mayor John Dickert and RUSD principals, on our website - [www.racine.k12.wi.us](http://www.racine.k12.wi.us) - to find out more about the needs of RUSD students and how you can help.

# North Star Vision

## *All students will graduate career and/or college ready*

Our vision of student success in RUSD begins with the belief that we will educate all students to succeed. Through a multi-stakeholder group, we developed our North Star Vision: to have all students graduate career and/or college ready. We identified key indicators that serve as targets for monitoring student success along the way.



Forty-four high school students were named AP Scholars for achieving high scores on the Advanced Placement (AP) exams.

Biology Teachers **Marisa Fellion, Terri Jackley and Brian Torner** helped the Milwaukee School of Engineering develop teaching materials.

Park High School students **Amber Carleton and Annica Abbott** were selected to have their artwork on display at the Milwaukee Art Museum.

# RUSD By the Numbers

## Our Students

21,000 Students

50+ Languages are spoken by our students

63% are eligible for free or reduced lunch

45.1% are white

28.3% are black

24.6% are Hispanic

1.6% are Asian

0.5% are American Indian

## Our Staff

3,095 Total staff

1,730 Teachers and professional staff

371 Educational support staff

114 Administrators

880 Other staff

64.06% of teachers have advanced degrees

72.81% of administrators have advanced degrees

## Our District

4th Largest school district in the state

6 Cities/villages served

100 Square miles

9 Board of Education members

9,000 Community volunteers

1 Vision - The North Star - All students graduate career/college ready

## Our Schools

2 Early education centers

21 Elementary schools

7 Middle schools

5 High schools

1 Racine Virtual Learning

1 Year-round school

3 Magnet elementary schools

2 Magnet middle schools

1 Charter middle school

1 Magnet high school

1 Charter high school

1 Alternative education center

6 Elementary schools offer bilingual education

14 Elementary schools offer 4-year-old kindergarten

2 Schools offer Advanced Placement (AP) courses

3 Schools offer the International Baccalaureate Programme



Teachers  
Who Engage  
Students

**Park High School student Paul Oemig** won the gold medal in photography at the SkillsUSA national competition.

**McKinley Middle School** was awarded a \$32,060 grant from Project CAPE to support its International Baccalaureate Middle Years Programme.

The Association of Wisconsin School Administrators recognized **Walden III Middle School** as an Exemplary Middle School for the third year in a row.

**Park High School** placed first in the Girls Division at the State Bowling Championships. In the Boys Division, **Horlick High School** placed first.

# RUSD Educational Choices

## Magnet Schools

**Jefferson Lighthouse Elementary** combines 60 percent identified intellectually gifted children with 40 percent open enrollment children.

**Bull Fine Arts Elementary** is designed to develop the understanding, skills and creativity of students in art, music, dance and drama, as well as creative language.

**Red Apple Elementary** specializes in science and environmental education.

**Walden III Middle and High School** is focused on students as individuals. The school develops personal relationships with students and families.

## Charter School

**REAL Middle and High School** provides an educational setting that helps students become accountable for their own education and motivates them to become joyful, lifelong learners.

## Youth Apprenticeships

**Case, Horlick and Park High Schools** offer Youth Apprenticeships that allow students to experience career options with classroom and on-site, work-based learning.

## Extended-Day Programs

**Lighted Schoolhouse**, available at 23 school and community-based sites, features before and after-school programs focused on homework help and enrichment.

## International Baccalaureate

**Jefferson Lighthouse Elementary School, McKinley Middle School and Case High School** offer the International Baccalaureate (IB) Programme which stresses higher-level thinking and international mindedness.

*New in 2011!*

## Racine Virtual Learning

RUSD is now offering virtual learning courses for students who have a unique educational need, such as those who aren't able to attend classes on campus. Courses are available in a wide variety of subjects, ranging from math and reading to Chinese and computer programming. A mentor teacher develops relationships with students and ensures their progress during the course. A content teacher delivers the content. For more information and to learn if virtual learning is right for your child, contact Kelly Pochop at 262-676-2170 or [kelly.pochop@rusd.org](mailto:kelly.pochop@rusd.org).

## Bilingual Education Programs

**Dr. Jones, Fratt, Julian Thomas, Mitchell, S.C. Johnson and Wadewitz Elementary Schools** offer bilingual programs in which students learn English and Spanish.

## Year-Round School

**Janes Year-Round Elementary** allows students to go to school all year round. The schedule includes three trimesters that consist of 60 days in session and 20 days not in session.

## Early Learning Programs

**P-COC (Parent-Child Oriented Classroom)** offers the unique opportunity for parents to explore and learn with their three-year-old child in the classroom.

**4K (4-Year-Old Kindergarten)** is a half-day educational program filled with learning and activities for four year olds. There is no cost for 4K for students who live in the District.

## Advanced Placement (AP) Courses

**Horlick and Park High Schools** offer college-level AP courses through which students can potentially earn college credit.



Opportunities  
That Inspire

# Technology that Enhances Student Learning



## Technology in the Classroom

### Technology Refresh

In June 2010, RUSD launched a Technology Refresh program, distributing new Apple MacBook Pro laptop computers to all teachers in the District. All classroom computers were replaced and the number of computers available for student use was increased. In total, the District received 8,000 new computers. The new computers are being leased through Apple and will be replaced every four years. By reprioritizing District dollars, the District was able to complete the Technology Refresh with existing funds.

### Schoolnet

RUSD is implementing an instructional management system known as Schoolnet. This system will align our curricula, lesson plans and District resources with the Common Core and Wisconsin state standards and goals. Schoolnet will also allow RUSD teachers and administrators to access, evaluate and transform comprehensive student data into actionable knowledge to effectively improve student instruction. The technology refresh has made it possible for all teachers to access Schoolnet, allowing collaboration to improve student learning and help us achieve the North Star.

### Instructional Technology

RUSD is committed to providing students with the technology resources and instruction necessary to thrive in a technology-driven society. RUSD's technology resources for students and staff include:

- ▶ 750 SMART Boards (interactive white boards)
- ▶ 725 Elmo document cameras (3-D, color overhead projectors)
- ▶ 8,500 Apple computers
- ▶ 432 iPod Touches
- ▶ 450 iPads

### Gorman Named Apple Distinguished Educator

In the spring of 2010, the technology company Apple named RUSD Technology Coordinator **Sue Gorman** an Apple Distinguished Educator (ADE). Gorman was one of only 76 educators in the country to receive this honor. According to Apple, ADEs are visionary educators and innovative leaders who are doing amazing things with technology in and out of the classroom. Gorman's role in the District is to help educators integrate innovative technology into their classrooms with the goal of raising student achievement.



Case High School senior **Maya Carter** became a three-time state runner-up in 300 Hurdles.

Jefferson Lighthouse Elementary School second-grader **Katherine Savas** collected and donated 235 eyeglasses for use in developing countries.

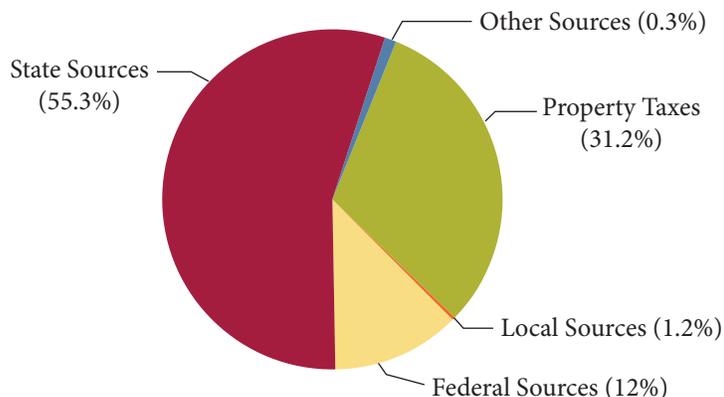
Walden III High School sophomore **David Villarreal** was inducted into the Grand Club at the Walk Now for Autism Speaks event held in Milwaukee.

# Budget & Finances

## How School Finance Works

RUSD receives its funding from the following sources (figures are budgeted for the current school year):

### Sources of Revenue



In 1993-1994, the state developed revenue limits to control the amount of revenue school districts can collect through general aid and local property taxes. Traditionally, the limits allowed districts to receive an increase in per student revenue each year. The limits were increased every year since they were put in place, up until the current school year when each district's base revenue was decreased by 5.5 percent, which equates to \$11.5 million for RUSD. The decrease in revenue limits and reduced state aid to RUSD caused overall District spending to be reduced by more than nine percent.

In addition to the limit on revenue, overall state aids were reduced. This means that RUSD will receive approximately \$13.2 million less in 2011-2012 than we did in 2010-2011.

## School Vouchers

In July 2011, the Wisconsin legislature passed a state budget provision known as School Choice (or vouchers) that will allow students living in RUSD to attend participating private schools with taxpayer money that comes in part from taking funding from Racine Unified's general fund. If all 250 available vouchers are used for the 2011-2012 school year, RUSD will experience an additional \$618,400 cut in general aid. In 2012-2013, the limit is 500 vouchers. If all vouchers are used, RUSD's general aid would be reduced \$1,236,900. And in 2013-2014, when the cap on the number of vouchers that can be used is eliminated, it is estimated that the District could lose as much as \$5 million based on a 20 percent participation rate.

## Budget Process

Each year, the legislature, governor and federal government decide how much funding will be given to education. This year, RUSD faced a \$25 million deficit and funding reductions of over \$18 million, including:

Reduction in spending per student and state aid cut	-\$11.5 million
Reduction in state high-poverty aid	-\$0.92 million
Reduction in state aid to fund private school vouchers	-\$0.56 million
Reduced or discontinued state categorical aid	-\$3.00 million
Reduced or discontinued federal aid	-\$1.64 million
Other reduced or eliminated funds	-\$0.81 million

**Total reduction to 2011-2012 budget: \$18.43 million**

While revenue at the state and federal level were reduced, the amount of revenue the District can collect from local taxpayers was also reduced. This budget cycle, the revenue reduction from the state was greater than the amount of spending the District was required to cut, thus the District was allowed to make up the difference through local property taxes. This year, the District saw a \$0.53 increase per \$1,000 of home value, increasing the mill rate from \$8.41 for the 2010-2011 school year to \$8.94 for 2011-2012.

## Cost-Saving Measures

Over the last several years, RUSD has made many cuts throughout the District in order to create efficiencies and reduce spending, while still maintaining a focus on learning and student achievement. The District has attempted to keep cuts as far away from the classroom as possible. Cuts that were made for the 2011-2012 school year to meet the \$25 million deficit include:

- Employee benefits were reduced:
  - Employees now pay 5.8 percent of their salary for the Wisconsin Retirement System (WRS) contribution.
  - Health insurance changed to a high deductible plan: \$2,000 per year for single and \$4,000 for family.
  - Salary schedules were frozen.
- 119 positions were eliminated:
  - 2 teachers
  - 83 educational assistants
  - 14 secretaries/clerks
  - 8 administrators
  - 12 buildings and grounds employees
- Over-time hours were reduced.
- Energy savings were implemented through closing swimming pools for part of the year, reducing electronics such as printers and implementing energy-efficient lighting projects.



Case High School senior **Shannon Kelly** and Park High School seniors **Andrew Koetz** and **Nicholas Sytsma** were named National Merit Finalists.

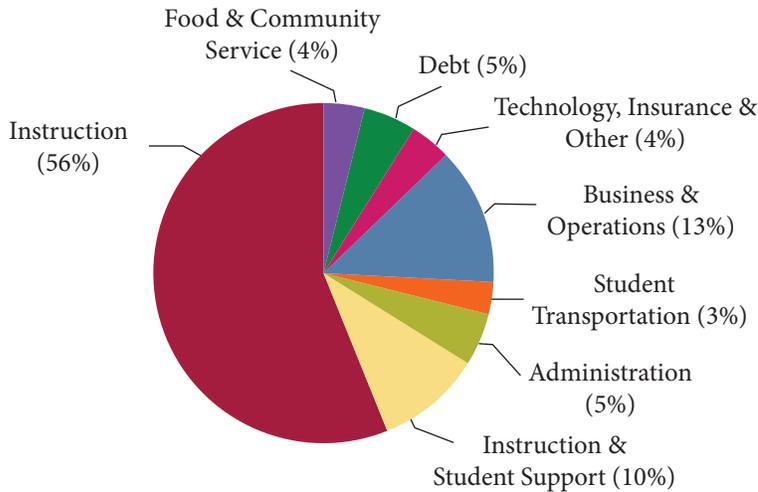
Technology Coordinator **Sue Gorman** was one of only 76 educators to be named an Apple Distinguished Educator by the technology company Apple.

**Starbuck Middle School** students swept the National Fluid Power Association Competition at the Milwaukee School of Engineering.

## How Revenue is Spent

RUSD carefully targets its dollars to have the greatest impact on the classroom and student learning. The following is how we spend our resources (figures are budgeted for the current school year):

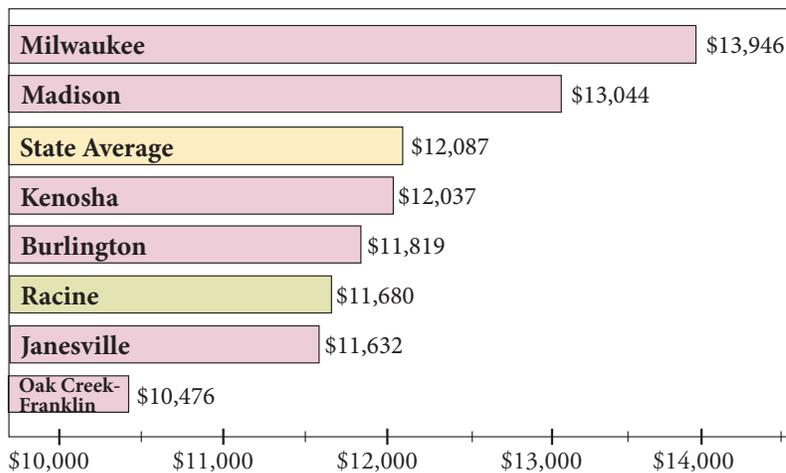
### Use of Funds by Function



## Lower Spending District Than Most

When comparing the total educational cost spent per student per year to districts in similar areas and with similar demographics, RUSD ranks among the lowest. Data is for the 2009-2010 school year, the most recent data available from the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction.

### Total Educational Cost per Student



Source: Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction school finance data warehouse



Financially  
Responsible  
Spending

The Park High School Jazz Band II was selected to perform at the Wisconsin State Music Conference.

Gifford Elementary School Teacher **Jennifer Bersch** was the local winner in the Barnes and Noble My Favorite Teacher contest.

Horlick High School Family, Career and Community Leaders of America student **Tiffany Gaede** won a gold medal at the Southeast Regional Star Events.

North Park, West Ridge and Jerstad-Agerholm Elementary Schools were named Schools of Recognition by the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction.



# Raising Achievement for all Students

## Student Achievement & Accountability

Over the last several years, RUSD has worked hard to create ways to measure and track progress, collect and analyze data and develop plans to increase student achievement.

### Testing

#### WKCE Standardized Test

RUSD administers the Wisconsin Knowledge and Concepts Exam (WKCE) in the fall of each school year. WKCE is required as the state's measure for the federal No Child Left Behind (NCLB) Act. District scores determine whether schools are making Adequate Yearly Progress per NCLB. Students in grades three, five, six and seven take tests in reading and math. Students in grades four, eight and 10 take tests in reading, math, science, language arts, writing and social studies. The WKCE serves as an important measure of student achievement, and the success benchmarks on the North Star trajectory are tied to students' results on the WKCE.

#### MAP Testing

Measures of Academic Progress (MAP) assessments are administered to students in various grades three times per year. MAP tests serve as the District's benchmark assessment and measure academic progress in math and reading.

### Data

Over the past year, RUSD has worked to implement Schoolnet, an instructional management system. Schoolnet will allow RUSD teachers and administrators to access, evaluate and transform student data into actionable knowledge tailored to improve instruction.

## Measures of Achievement & Accountability

### District Scorecard

The District Scorecard is aligned to the North Star Vision and represents reasonable and achievable targets for performance related to North Star achievement, staff capacity, managing and aligning resources and student and community engagement.

The scorecard was first developed in 2008 and measured data from the 2008-2009 school year. With the completion of the 2010-2011 District Scorecard, RUSD had three years of data to analyze and determine areas of strength and growth as well as areas for improvement.

### Learn More Online

The District Scorecard is available at [www.racine.k12.wi.us](http://www.racine.k12.wi.us).

### School Improvement Plans

Every school in Racine Unified has a School Improvement Plan (SIP), which is the map used to chart its way to achieving the North Star. Clearly-defined goals based on the North Star are included with each plan. All RUSD SIPs were developed by school teams comprised of multiple stakeholders and are currently being implemented in the schools.



McKinley Middle School students **Savannah Bowen** and **Jared Simonsen** received Maestro Awards at a national music competition in Anaheim, Calif.

**Fifty-one out of 52 students** who participated in the Youth Apprenticeship school-to-work initiative successfully completed the program.

**Rachel Margis** was voted All Racine County Girls Swimming and Diving Athlete of the Year.

## Areas of Achievement

In 2010-2011, the District saw areas of great improvement, including:

- ▶ **3.8 percentage point increase** in the number of 2011 graduates taking the ACT exam
- ▶ **7.1 percentage point increase** in the number of 10th grade students meeting or exceeding the District's writing proficiency standards
- ▶ **9.3 percentage point increase** in the number of ninth-grade students successfully completing Algebra I with a grade B or higher
- ▶ **29.5 percentage point increase** in the number of eighth-grade students meeting or exceeding the District's writing proficiency standards
- ▶ **3.8 percentage point increase** in the number of fourth-grade students meeting or exceeding the District's writing proficiency standards
- ▶ **3.7 percentage point increase** in the number of kindergarten students reading at the first-grade level
- ▶ **98 percent** of Youth Apprenticeship students successfully completed the program
- ▶ **44 AP Scholars**, an increase of more than 37 percent over the previous school year
- ▶ **3 National Merit Finalists** received scholarship awards
- ▶ **\$3.5 million in scholarships** were awarded to a total of 298 high school students to pursue higher education
- ▶ **3 high schools** achieved composite ACT test scores above the national average
- ▶ **2 high schools** achieved composite ACT test scores above the state average
- ▶ **4 students** received full IB diplomas

## Focus for 2011-2012

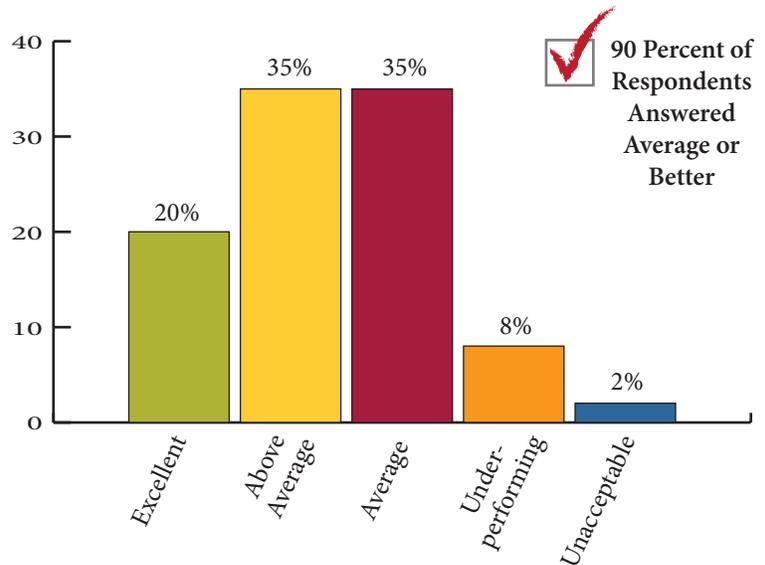
In reviewing test scores and data from the 2010-2011 school year, RUSD recognizes the need for an increased focus on improving achievement in math. Some of the initiatives that have been or are being implemented for the 2011-2012 school year related to math include:

- ▶ The District implemented a new research-based math program for grades K-5. The new materials feature both increased use of hands-on activities as well as technology-based learning.
- ▶ The District will provide double-block algebra classes for ninth-graders who need additional math support.
- ▶ Schools and teachers will start implementing the Common Core State Standards in math, with an emphasis on classroom best practices.
- ▶ The District will use the Schoolnet data system to help teachers plan lessons based on standards and District curriculum and to access exams and test scores.

## RUSD Survey

In spring 2011, RUSD conducted an online survey of parents and community members. The survey focused on general satisfaction and communication. Results indicate an overall positive impression of District schools:

**How do you rate the overall quality of education services provided by the school your oldest child attends?**



## Additional Survey Highlights

- ▶ 77 percent of respondents rated the overall quality of education services provided by RUSD as average, above average or excellent.
- ▶ 42 percent of respondents felt very or pretty well informed about issues impacting education and their local district and 43 percent feel somewhat informed.
- ▶ Respondents most wanted to receive communication about:
  1. Reasons for decisions made by the District
  2. How well the District is performing compared to others
  3. Curriculum/educational program options
  4. Budget, tax, finance, election and funding updates
  5. Safety-related incidents and precautions
- ▶ 66 percent of RUSD parents who responded agreed or strongly agreed that there are opportunities to express their concerns and opinions regarding issues at their child's school. Fifty-one percent agreed or strongly agreed that their concerns and opinions are seriously considered by school administration.
- ▶ 81 percent of respondents agreed or strongly agreed that they receive good customer service when visiting their child's school.
- ▶ Respondents prefer to receive information via e-mail, parent portals, newsletters and the District website. They least prefer to receive communication via social media and District TV.

 **Learn More Online & Sign Up for 2012 RUSD Survey**

To view more survey results and sign up to take the 2012 RUSD survey, visit [www.racine.k12.wi.us](http://www.racine.k12.wi.us).

# Board of Education



(Back Row) Don J. Nielsen, Melvin Hargrove, Gretchen L. Warner, William S. Van Atta, Dennis Wiser (Front Row) Julie L. McKenna, Pamala Handrow, RUSD Interim Superintendent Ann Laing, Susan F. Kutz, Kim Plache

The RUSD Board of Education represents, leads and serves the District's stakeholders and holds itself accountable to them by committing to act in their best interests and by ensuring that all Board and organizational action is consistent with law and the Board's policies. The Board's purpose is to ensure that the organization achieves the results described in the Board's Results policies and that it operates according to the values expressed in the Board's operational expectations policies.

The Board typically meets on the third Monday of every month at 6:30 p.m. at the District's Administrative Service Center. Board members are publicly-elected officials who serve three-year terms. Current members include:

- ▶ **Mr. William S. Van Atta**, President ([william.vanatta@rusd.org](mailto:william.vanatta@rusd.org))
- ▶ **Mrs. Susan F. Kutz**, Vice President ([susan.kutz@rusd.org](mailto:susan.kutz@rusd.org))
- ▶ **Mr. Don J. Nielsen**, Treasurer ([don.nielsen@rusd.org](mailto:don.nielsen@rusd.org))
- ▶ **Dr. Gretchen L. Warner**, Clerk ([gretchen.warner@rusd.org](mailto:gretchen.warner@rusd.org))
- ▶ **Ms. Pamala Handrow** ([pamala.handrow@rusd.org](mailto:pamala.handrow@rusd.org))
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- ▶ **Mr. Dennis Wiser** ([dennis.wiser@rusd.org](mailto:dennis.wiser@rusd.org))

# Superintendent Search

In October 2011, the Board of Education began the process of searching for a new superintendent in order to have a new leader for RUSD in place by the end of June 2012. For more information and to follow the Board's progress, visit the District's website - [www.racine.k12.wi.us](http://www.racine.k12.wi.us) - and click on the superintendent search graphic. The Board values the community's input on the qualities desired in the new superintendent. Watch for more information on the RUSD superintendent search website about how you can be involved in the process.

# Communication

RUSD values communication between the District, schools, parents and the community. To get up-to-date information on District initiatives, please see the following:

- ▶ **Website** | [www.racine.k12.wi.us](http://www.racine.k12.wi.us)
- ▶ **Cable Access Channel 20**
- ▶ **Board of Education Notes** | This monthly e-newsletter is distributed the day after each regular Board of Education meeting and provides complete coverage of the meeting. Sign up to receive e-news on our website.
- ▶ **Facebook** | Friend Racine Unified Schools
- ▶ **Twitter** | Follow Racine Unified
- ▶ **School Newsletters** | Watch your child's backpack for your school's newsletter.
- ▶ **Unified News Today** | This news program is available on Channel 20 and the RUSD website.
- ▶ **Emergency Notifications** | Register your e-mail address on our website to get updates on school closings and other time-sensitive information.
- ▶ **Share Your School's Good News** | Click the link on our website to tell us the great things happening at your school.

## Sign Up to Receive Emergency Announcements & E-Newsletters

Get emergency announcements, including information about school closings, and *Inside Unified*, the District's e-newsletter, delivered right to your inbox. To sign up, visit the District's website - [www.racine.k12.wi.us](http://www.racine.k12.wi.us) - and click on "E-Mail News."



Gifford Elementary School Teacher **Becky Steinbach** was named the Wisconsin PTA Elementary Teacher of the Year.

A total of **298 high school seniors** received more than \$3.5 million in scholarships to pursue higher education.

**Nine RUSD students** (three teams) came in second and third place in the national C-SPAN Student Cam documentary competition.

# Community Resources

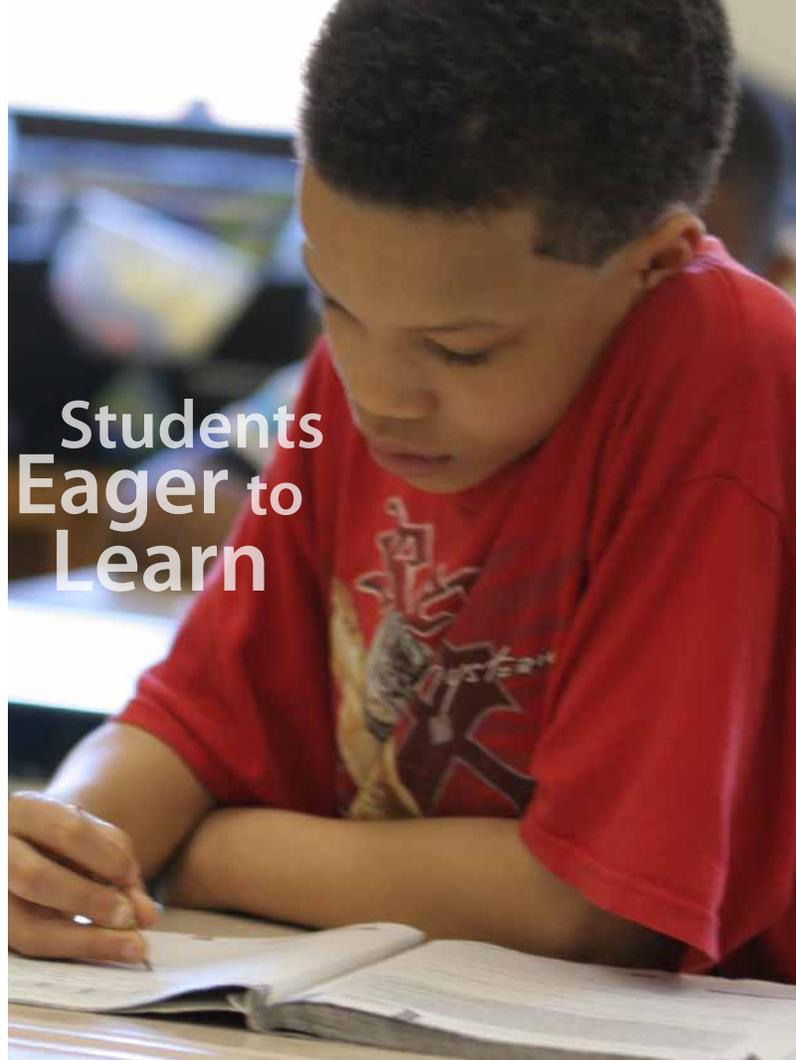
RUSD recognizes the value in community-based partners and the work they do to support our students in achieving success in school. Below are just some of RUSD's partners that provide services for students and families including who their target population is in parentheses:

## Tutoring

- ▶ **RUSD Lighted Schoolhouse** (all grades)  
3109 Mt. Pleasant St., 262-664-6990
- ▶ **John XXIII Educational Center** (middle and high school)  
1101 Douglas Ave., 262-898-7250
- ▶ **Mead Street COP House** (all grades)  
1750 Mead St., 262-635-7700
- ▶ **Dr. John Bryant Community Center** (grades 3-12)  
601 21st St., 262-636-9235
- ▶ **Tyler Domer Community Center** (grades 3-12)  
2301 12th St., 262-636-9414
- ▶ **Dr. Martin Luther King Community Center** (grades 6-12)  
1134 Martin Luther King Drive, 262-636-9237
- ▶ **Cops & Kids Reading Center** (pre-K - grade 6)  
800 Villa St., 262-632-1606
- ▶ **Urban League of Racine** (low income, black/Hispanic, inter-city)  
718 N. Memorial Drive, 262-898-9066
- ▶ **Abundant Life Christian Center** (grades 6-12)  
3433 Douglas Ave., 262-637-5433
- ▶ **Wayman Methodist Church**  
424 Memorial Drive, 262-632-1650
- ▶ **Zoe Outreach Ministries**  
2130 Racine St., 262-619-3027
- ▶ **Greater Grace Temple Church**  
522 N. Memorial Drive, 262-634-6246
- ▶ **Emmaus Lutheran Church**  
1925 Summit Ave., 262-634-5515

## Family Programs

- ▶ **United Way: Advancing Family Assets**  
1220 Villa St., 262-456-4701
- ▶ **Focus on Community: F.A.S.T. - Families and Schools Together** (children and families)  
1220 Mound Ave. #307, 262-632-6200
- ▶ **Racine Family Literacy** (low-income, low-literacy families)  
1510 Villa St., 262-898-3968, 262-456-1779 (En Español)
- ▶ **Racine Family Literacy: Family Smart/Kid Friendly** (families, focuses on early childhood development)  
1510 Villa St., 262-898-3968, 262-456-1779 (En Español)



## Educational Programs

- ▶ **Racine Family YMCA** (age six months to 18 years)  
725 Lake Ave., 262-634-1994
- ▶ **Racine Family Literacy: Girls, Inc.** (girls in elementary, middle and high school)  
1510 Villa St., 262-898-3968, 262-456-1779 (En Español)

## Mentoring

- ▶ **Lighted Schoolhouse** (middle school)  
3109 Mt. Pleasant St., 262-664-6990
- ▶ **John XXIII Educational Center** (middle and high school)  
1101 Douglas Ave., 262-898-7250
- ▶ **Big Brothers Big Sisters** (at-risk students, single-parent families)  
2302 DeKoven Ave. #B, 262-637-7625

## Learn More Online

More community resources for after-school programs are available on the United Way's website: [racineafterschool.unitedwayracine.org](http://racineafterschool.unitedwayracine.org).

The Racine Unified School District received the Racine Area Manufacturers and Commerce AIM for Health Award.

Walden III received a check for \$8,931.07, the amount they saved in energy costs last year by using solar panels, to be used for green school initiatives.

Jerstad-Agerholm Middle School String Orchestra received a rating of excellent at the Music in The Parks competition held in St. Louis, Mo.

The Horlick High School cheerleading squad placed second at the Nationals Competition at CANAM in Myrtle Beach, S.C.



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**Early Learning Centers**

**Racine Early Education Center**  
2015 Franklin St. • 262-664-8200

**Red Apple Early Childhood**  
914 St. Patrick St. • 262-619-4527

**Elementary Schools**

**Bull Fine Arts**  
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