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Dear Parents,

As required by state statute public schools are required to annually communicate to parents and guardians the following:

- the academic standards adopted by the school board for the school year
- the school’s accountability report (report card)
- a list of the educational options available
- the existence of the special needs voucher program

**Academic Standards**

**Accountability Report Card**
As part of the state accountability system, the Department of Public Instruction (DPI) has produced report cards for every school district and school in Wisconsin. These report cards provide data on multiple indicators. Accountability report cards for the 2015-2016 school year will be available in September and can be viewed at [https://oea.dpi.wi.gov/acct/report-cards](https://oea.dpi.wi.gov/acct/report-cards).

**Educational Options**
School districts are required to provide a list of the educational options available to children who reside in the pupil’s resident school district, including public school, private schools participating in a private school choice program, charter schools, virtual schools, full-time open enrollment, youth options, course options, and options for pupils enrolled in home-based private educational programs. Please use the links below for more information regarding these options.

- **Area Schools**
- **Open Enrollment**
- **Course Options**
- **Virtual Schools**
- **Home Based Education**
- **Wisconsin Parental Choice Schools**
**Special Education Voucher Program**

Beginning with the 2016-2017 school year a child with a disability has the ability to attend a participating private school of the child or the child's parent's choice, if that child has previously been rejected from attending school in a nonresident district under the open enrollment program. An eligible child may begin attending an eligible school at any time during the school year.

If you have any questions regarding the content of this letter, please feel free to contact me.

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