

INSPIRING CONFIDENCE, COURAGE, AND COMPETENCE

In Osseo Area Schools, our mission is *to inspire and prepare all students with the confidence, courage, and competence to achieve their dreams; contribute to community; and engage in a lifetime of learning.*

ISD 279 is the **fifth-largest school district in the state**, serving all or parts of Brooklyn Center, Brooklyn Park, Corcoran, Dayton, Maple Grove, Osseo, Plymouth, and Rogers.

- 21,000 students, early childhood through grade 12
- 17 elementary schools (PreK-6)
- four junior highs (7-9)
- three senior highs (10-12)
- an area learning center
- two early childhood centers; two special program sites
- adult education/enrollment center

Standouts in the state and nation

- Home to three **National Blue Ribbon Elementary Schools**: Cedar Island (1990); Park Brook (1997); and Rush Creek (2007)
- **Only school district in Minnesota** to be named one of the nation's Best Communities for Music Education every year since 2009
- **Only school district in the nation** that has earned the Seal of Alignment from the International Society for Technology in Education
- Woodland Elementary is a 2011 **Minnesota School of Excellence**
- Magnet schools have been honored by Magnet Schools of America as **Schools of Excellence or Distinction**
- **State and national awards** and a strong bond rating reflect careful financial stewardship

Delivering on student achievement

- 20 National Merit students, including 5 Finalists (2011-2012)
- 106 Advanced Placement (AP) Scholars (*more than doubled since 2008*)
- ACT district-wide average composite: 22.6 (*Class of 2011*)

Exceptional opportunities for all students

- College-level courses available at every high school and Brooklyn Junior High
- All-day kindergarten options at every elementary school
- Gifted Education programs
- Co-curriculars that build character, stretch minds, and challenge the body



Magnet and International Baccalaureate (IB) Schools

- Birch Grove Elementary School for the Arts
- Weaver Lake Elementary: A Science, Math & Technology School
- Brooklyn Junior High (STEM)
- North View Junior High IB World School
- Park Center Senior High IB World School
- Osseo Senior High (Health Sciences and Technology)

“What Parents Want” award

Approximately 16% of the nation's public school districts receive this award for meeting the needs of families choosing schools according to SchoolMatch, a national school evaluation company.

Learn more!

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