

INSPIRING AND PREPARING ALL STUDENTS

In ISD 279-Osseo Area Schools, our focus is on your child. By understanding every student's unique gifts and challenges, we can achieve our mission 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.*

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*)

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
- **What Parents Want Award** from SchoolMatch, a national school evaluation company



International Baccalaureate Schools

International Baccalaureate (IB) programs combine international education with rigorous assessment. The culminating Diploma Programme is recognized and respected by the world's leading universities.

Specialty (magnet) programs

Through specialty-themed magnet programs, students can discover the **scientist** within them; learn through their passion for the **arts**; explore and gain certification in **health science** careers; and expand their horizons through an internationally recognized **global education** program.

Exceptional opportunities for all students

- College-level courses available at every high school and Brooklyn Junior High
- Full-day kindergarten options at every elementary school
- Gifted Education programs

Neighborhood high school comparisons

2011 proficiency rates (based on MCA tests)

	Maple Grove Sr. High	Wayzata Sr. High
Science	79%	78%
Reading	88%	90%
Math	65%	69%

ACT Composite (Class of 2011)

Maple Grove	24.4	Wayzata	25.8
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ACT Percent Tested (Class of 2011)

Maple Grove	86%	Wayzata	89%
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Post-High School Education Plans

Maple Grove	approx. 90%	Wayzata	approx. 90%
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Teachers holding advanced degrees

Osseo Area Schools	74%	Wayzata Public Schools	69%
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Sources: local data, MN Dept. of Education, Wayzata Schools

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