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School District of Amery District Achievement Report Summary & Highlights | January 2025



The School District of Amery has EXCEEDED EXPECTATIONS for all eleven years that the DPI has issued a State of Wisconsin Accountability Report Card.

Amery students also excel in ways that could never be measured by written tests or a state-mandated scorecard.

Learn more inside!

EXCEEDS EXPECTATIONS

Overall Accountability Score and Rating

DISTRICT REPORT CARD Highlights



As part of the state accountability system, the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction (DPI) produces Report Cards for every publicly funded school and district in Wisconsin. The Overall Accountability Score places each school and district into one of five Overall Accountability Ratings. Learn more here: https://dpi.wi.gov/accountability/report-cards



LIEN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL Grades 4K-2

- There are no mandated standardized tests at the elementary level. Instead, the elementary school receives an 'Alternative Rating' (AR).
- Lien Elementary uses FastBridge, an assessment tool to determine areas of growth and to plan for student needs. The FastBridge benchmark scores are determined three times per year and help drive lesson planning and interventions necessary to develop student skills.



AMERY INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL Grades 3-5

- **EXCEEDS EXPECTATIONS** for the eleventh consecutive year.
- Exceeds the state in English/Language Arts by 10.3 points.
- Exceeds the state in Math by 12.5 points.
- The Math Growth score exceeds the state Math Growth score by 9.5 points.



AMERY MIDDLE SCHOOL Grades 6-8

- SIGNIFICANTLY EXCEEDS EXPECTATIONS and has Exceeded or Significantly Exceeded Expectations for eleven consecutive years.
- The overall score of 92.6 is the ninth highest of ALL Wisconsin middle schools (top 2%).
- The overall score is the HIGHEST of ALL CESA 11* middle schools.
- The overall score is the HIGHEST in the Middle Border
- The overall Growth score is the HIGHEST of all Wisconsin middle schools.



This prestigious recognition highlights select schools nationwide that excel in academic performance or make significant strides in closing achievement gaps. Amery was 1 of only 356 schools recognized

nationwide and 1 of 8 in Wisconsin.



AMERY HIGH SCHOOL Grades 9-12

- Ninth grade pre-ACT composite scores are the HIGHEST in the Middle Border Conference.
- Overall Achievement scores are in the top 59% of the state.
- The Achievement score is 15th highest of 39 schools in CESA 11*.
- The participation rates for post-secondary preparation and arts far exceed the state rates in almost every area (see below).

ADVANCED PLACEMENT

106 students (23.4%) successfully completed at least one Advanced Placement course. Amery 68.4%

State 25.7%

DUAL ENROLLMENT

310 students successfully completed at least one dual enrollment college credit course. Amery 68.4% **State 25.7%**

INDUSTRY-**RECOGNIZED CREDENTIALS**

22 students earned at least one industryrecognized credential.

Amery 4.9% State 4.7%

WORK-BASED **LEARNING**

135 students participated in a work-based learning program.

Amery 29.8% State 8.5%

MUSIC

134 students successfully completed at least one music course. Amery 29.6%

State 19.2%

ART & DESIGN

229 students successfully completed at least one art & design course.

Amery 50.6% State 29.1%

Data source: 2023-2024 Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction *CESA 11 includes the 39 school districts in northwestern Wisconsin



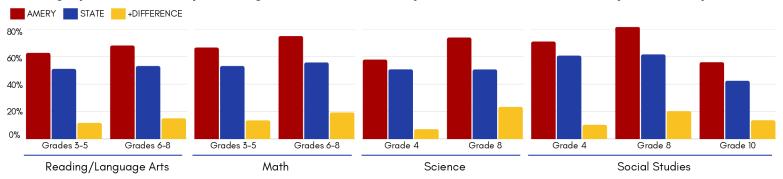
ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT $\mathcal{F}_{orward}\,\mathcal{E}_{ ext{xam}}$

The Wisconsin Forward Exam is designed to gauge how well students are doing in relation to the Wisconsin Academic Standards. These standards outline what students should know and be able to do in order to be college and career ready.

The Forward Exam is administered online in the spring of each school year to grades 3–8 in Reading/Language Arts and Math, grades 4 and 8 in Science, and grades 4, 8 and 10 in Social Studies.



These graphs indicate the percentage of students who are proficient & advanced in the specified subject areas.



BEYOND Classroom Walls and BEYOND Test Scores

The School District of Amery is proud of student achievement IN the classroom AND educational opportunities OUTSIDE the classroom walls:



Career and Technical Education Academies (CTE) at the high school prepare students for careers that reflect the contemporary workplace. CTE Academies are offered in the areas of Construction, Agriculture, Catering, and Entrepreneurship. In the Construction Academy, students have built and sold five houses and will complete a sixth after the 25-26 school year! Additional lots of land have been purchased so students can continue participating firsthand in the entire process of building a house.



Youth Apprenticeship and Work-Based Learning opportunities in abundance for high school students.



An annual, two-day **environmental education trip** for all 5th grade students where they experience the diverse, rich, and unique region in which we live.



A variety of **extra-curricular opportunities** helping students develop skills such as leadership, teamwork, time management, and social interaction, while also allowing them to explore interests:

- 17 WIAA high school athletic opportunities
- 7 middle school athletic opportunities
- Marching Band, Jazz Band, Jazz Choir
- A number of clubs & organizations including Dance Team, Powerlifting, Theatre, FFA, Forensics, and more.



Abundant outdoor spaces on the school campus include a school forest, classroom shelters, wetland, a lake, a prairie, and a vegetable garden. Students learn about forestry, tap maple trees, plant and harvest vegetables, manage an apple orchard, plant trees, monitor bluebirds, study water quality, practice survival skills, snowshoe, and hike.



The F.A.R.M. is a 35-acre parcel of land adjacent to the school campus for real-life expansion of hands-on agriculture education. Current projects include growing and harvesting com and alfalfa, planting Christmas trees with kindergarten students who will get to harvest a tree and take it home when they are in high school, raising honey bees, and creating a com maze. Future plans include an orchard, vegetable gardens, spaces to raise animals and train horses, a school farm classroom, and a school farm store.



Hands-on high school classes where students spend significant time outside the classroom including Horsemanship, Landscaping, Freshwater Ecology, and Outdoor Adventure Education.

We are also very proud of our unique educational program options outlined on the next page.







Points of PRIDE . . .

Program OPTIONS for Amery students & families

TRADITIONAL CLASSROOMS: Amery's Traditional classrooms are available to all children in 4K Preschool through Grade 12. These classrooms utilize a variety of innovative teaching tools allowing students to engage within a balance of choice activities, projects, small groups, integrated technology, exploration, and more.

MONTESSORI: The Montessori philosophy of education is based on self-directed activity, hands-on learning, and collaborative play. Students make creative choices in their learning while the classroom and the teacher offer age-appropriate activities to guide the process.

Amery offers Montessori as a multi-age option at the following levels:

Children's House for 4K Preschool & Kindergarten

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- Lower Elementary for Grades 1-3
- Upper Elementary for Grades 4-5

All children are unique in how they learn, develop, and grow.

Each program here offers strengths for the academic, social, and emotional growth of children.

Parents have the opportunity to choose the best learning environments for their children.

COLLEGE AND CAREER READY: Amery High School offers several programs to ensure students are college and career ready:

- Advanced Placement (AP) courses, additional Advanced Offerings, and Dual Enrollment college credit courses.
- Youth Apprenticeship, Industry-Recognized Credentials, Work-Based Learning, and Embedded Technical Diplomas.

CAREER & TECHNICAL EDUCATION (CTE) ACADEMIES: CTE Academies are offered in the high school in Construction, Agriculture, Catering and Entrepreneurship. Students in the academies earn college credits and industry-recognized credentials. Many of the academy students are also in the Youth Apprenticeship program developing valuable workplace skills.

THE CLUBHOUSE provides quality care for infants, toddlers and school-age children in 4K through Grade 5. It is a safe, supervised, enriching environment for all children. The Clubhouse is conveniently located in the elementary school and is recognized by Polk County as a reimbursable childcare provider through the Wisconsin Shares program. The Clubhouse provides infant and toddler childcare year-round, before and after school care for 4K through Grade 5 students during the school year, and a summer day camp for 4K through Grade 5 students.

