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Dear Parents,

Under the recently adopted 2015-17 Wisconsin State Budget ([Act 55](#)), public schools are now 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**

The Erin School District has adopted the [Wisconsin Academic Standards](#) for the 2015/16 school year. The standards may be viewed at: <http://dpi.wi.gov/standards>.

### **Accountability Report**

As part of the new state accountability system, the Department of Public Instruction (DPI) has produced report cards for every district and school in Wisconsin. These report cards provide data on multiple indicators. More information and the most recent report card may be viewed at: <https://apps2.dpi.wi.gov/reportcards/>.

### **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 schools, 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 a home-based private educational program. There are no private school within our district boundaries. Please use the links below for more information.

[District Boundary Map](#)

[Open Enrollment](#)

[Virtual Schools](#)

[Area Schools](#)

[Course Options](#)

[Homeschooling](#)

### **Special Education Voucher Program**

Beginning in funding year 2017, allows a child with a disability 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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