

New Holstein School District

Academic and Career Planning, or ACP, is a student-driven, adult-supported process in which students create and cultivate their own unique and information-based visions for post-secondary success, obtained through self-exploration, career exploration, and the development of career management and planning skills. The Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction requires public school districts to provide academic and career planning services to students in grades 6 through 12.

School District Demographics

The School District of New Holstein is located in New Holstein, Wisconsin and serves a student population of 1009 students from Calumet, Fond du Lac and Sheboygan Counties. The elementary school serves 441 students in grades K-5. The middle school serves 236 students in grades 6-8. The high school serves 332 students in grades 9-12. Each building serves approximately 13% minority students and approximately 27.4% economically disadvantaged students.

SCHOOL DISTRICT MISSION/VISION

Vision Statement:

The educational vision of the School District of New Holstein is for all students to learn and develop the knowledge and skills necessary to become contributing global citizens in an ever-changing world through:

- Academically challenging curriculum
- Research based and data driven instructional practices
- Student input and ownership
- Real world applications
- Reflection and evaluation for continuous improvement
- Continuous, responsible use of all resources and evolving technology
- Community involvement
- Expectation of appropriate behaviors that lead to successful, productive citizens

Mission Statement:

Student learning is our first priority. We provide strong leadership, innovative curriculum, and integrated technology in a climate of mutual respect. In partnership with the community, we prepare our students for the future.

LABOR MARKET INFORMATION

Analysis of local, regional, and state labor market needs and the educational and training requirements for occupations that will fill those needs.

Labor market information (LMI) can help school districts develop cutting-edge Career and Technical Education programs by uncovering the skills students will need in the future. In addition, LMI can help students understand which jobs are most likely to be available and well-compensated. The outlook for the state's economy is positive, although the ramifications of new viral strains are yet to be determined. Wisconsin's GDP is on the verge of overtaking pre-COVID levels and state job numbers have returned to 96% of pre-pandemic levels. A few industries' employment, such as manufacturing, construction and professional business services, are back near or over pre-pandemic levels.

To access Labor Market Information for Calumet, Fond du Lac and Sheboygan Counties, Click <u>Here</u> or click on the appropriate county name <u>Calumet</u>, <u>Fond du Lac</u>, or <u>Sheboygan</u>.

FAMILY ENGAGEMENT

The School District of New Holstein engages parents in academic and career planning by:

- Inform parents in each school year about what academic and career planning services their child receives.
- Provide parents with multiple opportunities during each school year to participate in their child's academic and career planning.
- Update parents throughout the school year on the progress of their child's academic and career planning.

ACP CURRICULUM, SUPPORT, AND SERVICES

The School District of New Holstein supports students in academic and career planning, through:

- Student participation in programming in Xello and on: <u>NHSD Academic & Career Planning</u> Guide
- ACP/school counseling services
- Access to a formal process for connecting pupils to teachers and other school staff for assistance with the development and implementation of each pupil's academic and career plan.

POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION AND WORKFORCE PREPARATION

New Holstein High School offers a wide range of career related courses and has numerous dual credit offerings through various higher education institutions. A full list of offerings can be found in our Course Description Booklet.

The ACP program at New Holstein School District incorporates:

- Career and technical education provided in the school district (exploratory courses in grades 6-8 and traditional courses in grades 9-12) in Agriculture, Family Consumer Sciences, and Technical Education.
- Courses that provide advanced standing in the technical college upon graduation from high school via Start College Now (MPTC, LTC, FVTC).
- College preparation via PreACT for sophomores, ASVAB testing, ZAPS training and the Early College Credit Program.
- Youth Apprenticeship or other job training and work experience

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT FOR STAFF

The following professional development is provided to staff to assist staff with delivering academic and career planning services to pupils in grades 6 to 12: Guidance Staff presentations in class, Xello and Inspire training for all staff, guest speakers from local businesses and organizations.

COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS

The School District of New Holstein collaborates with over 100 businesses. These relationships have been developed in part through strong partnerships with some of our leading community organizations, such as: Inspire Wisconsin, Teaming for a Brighter Tomorrow initiative, Calumet County Business and Education Partnership, Boys' and Girls' Club, School to Work, and Youth Apprenticeships.

INDIVIDUALIZED ACP SUPPORT

Individualized support, appropriate to the pupil's needs, from school district staff to assist with completing and annually updating an academic career plan.

ACCESS FOR ALL STUDENTS

If a pupil is a child with a disability, the pupil's academic and career plan shall be made available to the pupil's individual education program team. The pupil's individualized education program team may, if appropriate, take the pupil's academic and career plan into account when developing the pupil's transition services. Additionally, the High School is supported one day per week with a Transition Coordinator from CESA 7 as well as a DVR representative one time per month.

CURRENT PROGRESS AND FUTURE GOALS FOR IMPLEMENTATION

The district's current progress and future goals related to improving pupil postsecondary outcomes.

ACCESS TO ACP SOFTWARE TOOL

Wisconsin State Statute 115.28(59) requires that school districts be provided computer software to be used statewide to provide academic and career planning (ACP) services to pupils in grades 6 to 12. Since August 2019, Xello allows students to access a personal account provided by the school. Students can use this software to take career-related assessments, explore online career and college profiles, and get information about financial aid and employment.

Link to Wisconsin XELLO Information Page

MOST RECENT DATE OF BOARD APPROVAL - 1/22/2024

LINK TO PLAN ON DISTRICT WEBSITE - 1/26/2024