

### MILWAUKEE PARENTAL CHOICE PROGRAM

#### **PROGRAM TYPE**

- Voucher
  - Means-tested

#### SCHOLARSHIP CAP

- \$7,210 (for K-8)
- $\cdot$  \$7,856 (for 9–12)

### STUDENT ELIGIBILITY

- · Live in the Milwaukee Public School District
- Family income below 300 percent of the federal poverty guideline (\$71,550 for a family of four in 2014), with an additional \$7,000 allowed for households with married parents
- · Private school students also eligible

# SCHOOL REQUIREMENTS

- · Meet state nondiscrimination policies
- · Meet state health and safety codes
- · Allow students to opt out of religious programs
- Administer to scholarship recipients: state science and social studies tests in grades 4, 8 and 10;
  Smarter Balanced Assessments for English Language Arts and Math for grades 3-8; and the ACT suite of assessments for high school students
- · Receive accreditation within three years of participating in the Milwaukee Parental Choice Program
- · Current participating schools adding grades or creating a new school are exempt
- · Submit an annual financial audit conducted by a certified public accountant to the state
- · Admit eligible students on a random basis
- · Provide evidence of sound fiscal practices and financial viability to the state
- School administrators must undergo financial training and have at least a bachelor's degree from an accredited institution of higher education
- Teachers must have a bachelor's degree from an accredited institution of higher education and teacher aides must have received a high school diploma or been granted a GED or HSED
- Must provide 1,050 hours of direct pupil instruction in grades 1–6 and 1,137 hours of direct pupil instruction in grades 7–12
- Must provide the state with information about the academic program at the participating school and student test score data

### **ENROLLMENT CAP**

· None

# PROGRAM FUNDING

• \$191 million

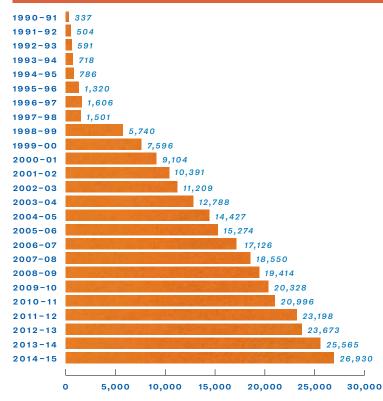
# YEAR ENACTED

· 1990

# DATA UPDATE

Scholarships Awarded	26,930
Schools Participating	113
2014 Expenditures	\$191,000,000

# STUDENT PARTICIPATION





### RACINE PARENTAL CHOICE PROGRAM

#### **PROGRAM TYPE**

- · Voucher
- Means-tested

#### SCHOLARSHIP CAP

- \$7,210 (for K-8)
- $\cdot$  \$7,856 (for 9–12)

### STUDENT ELIGIBILITY

- · Live in Racine Unified School District
- · Family income below 300 percent of the federal poverty guideline (\$71,550 for family of four in 2014), with an additional \$7,000 allowed for households with married parents
- Enrolled in public school in the Racine Unified School District the previous school year; entering school for the first time; or applying to attend kindergarten, first grade or ninth grade at a participating private school

### **ENROLLMENT CAP**

None

### PROGRAM FUNDING

• \$12.5 million

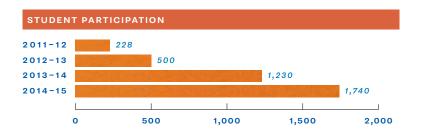
# SCHOOL REQUIREMENTS

- · Meet state nondiscrimination policies
- · Meet health and safety codes
- · Allow students to opt out of religious programs
- · Administer to scholarship recipients: state science and social studies tests in grades 4, 8 and 10; Smarter Balanced Assessments for English Language Arts and Math for grades 3-8; and the ACT suite of assessments for high school students
- · Receive accreditation within three years of participating in the Racine Parental Choice Program
- · Submit an annual financial audit conducted by a certified public accountant to the state
- · Provide evidence of sound fiscal practices and financial viability to the state
- · School administrators must undergo financial training and have at least a bachelor's degree from an accredited institution of higher education
- · Teachers must have a bachelor's degree from an accredited institution of higher education, and teacher aides must have received a high school diploma or been granted a GED or an HSED
- · Provide 1,050 hours of direct pupil instruction in grades 1–6 and 1,137 hours of direct pupil instruction in grades 7–12
- · Must provide the state with information about the academic program at the participating schools and student test score data

### YEAR ENACTED

· 2011

DATA UPDATE	
Scholarships Awarded	1,740
Schools Participating	15
2014 Expenditures	\$12,500,000





### WISCONSIN PARENTAL CHOICE PROGRAM

#### **PROGRAM TYPE**

- · Voucher
- Means-tested

### SCHOLARSHIP CAP

- \$7,210 (for K-8)
- $\cdot$  \$7,856 (for 9–12)

### STUDENT ELIGIBILITY

- · Family income cannot exceed 185 percent of the federal poverty guidelines (\$44,123 for a family of four in 2014), with an additional \$7,000 allowed for households with married parents
- · Reside outside of the Milwaukee Public School District and the Racine Unified School District
- · Private school students also eligible

### **ENROLLMENT CAP**

• 1.000 for the 2014–15 school year and thereafter; each district's enrollment will be capped at 1 percent of its public school district enrollment

# SCHOOL REQUIREMENTS

- · Meet state nondiscrimination policies
- · Allow students to opt out of religious programs
- · Administer to scholarship recipients: state science and social studies tests in grades 4, 8 and 10; Smarter Balanced Assessments for English Language Arts and Math for grades 3-8; and the ACT suite of assessments for high school students
- · Receive accreditation within three years of participating in the Wisconsin Parental Choice Program
- · Annually submit to the state a financial audit conducted by a certified public accountant
- · Provide the state evidence of sound fiscal practices and financial viability
- · School administrators must undergo financial training and have a least a bachelor's degree from an accredited institution of higher education
- · Teachers must have a bachelor's degree from an accredited institution of higher education, and teacher aides must have received a high school diploma or been granted a GED or an HSED
- · Provide 1,050 hours of direct pupil instruction in grades 1–6 and 1,137 hours of direct pupil instruction in grades 7–12
- · Provide the Department of Public Instruction with information about the academic program at the participating school and student test score data
- · Meet all health and safety codes
- · Capped at the 25 schools with the most applicants if the number of applicants is higher than the enrollment cap

### PROGRAM FUNDING

· \$7.4 million

#### YEAR ENACTED

· 2013

DATA UPDATE	
Scholarships Awarded	1,007
Schools Participating	31
2014 Expenditures	\$7,400,000

