

WAHOO PUBLIC SCHOOLS

2021-22

Community Report

INSPIRING OUR STUDENTS TO THRIVE!





Wahoo Public Schools

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NDE ~ AQuESTT Classification

(A Quality Education System, Today &
Tomorrow)

Wahoo High School: GREAT

Wahoo Middle School: GREAT

Wahoo Elementary: Great

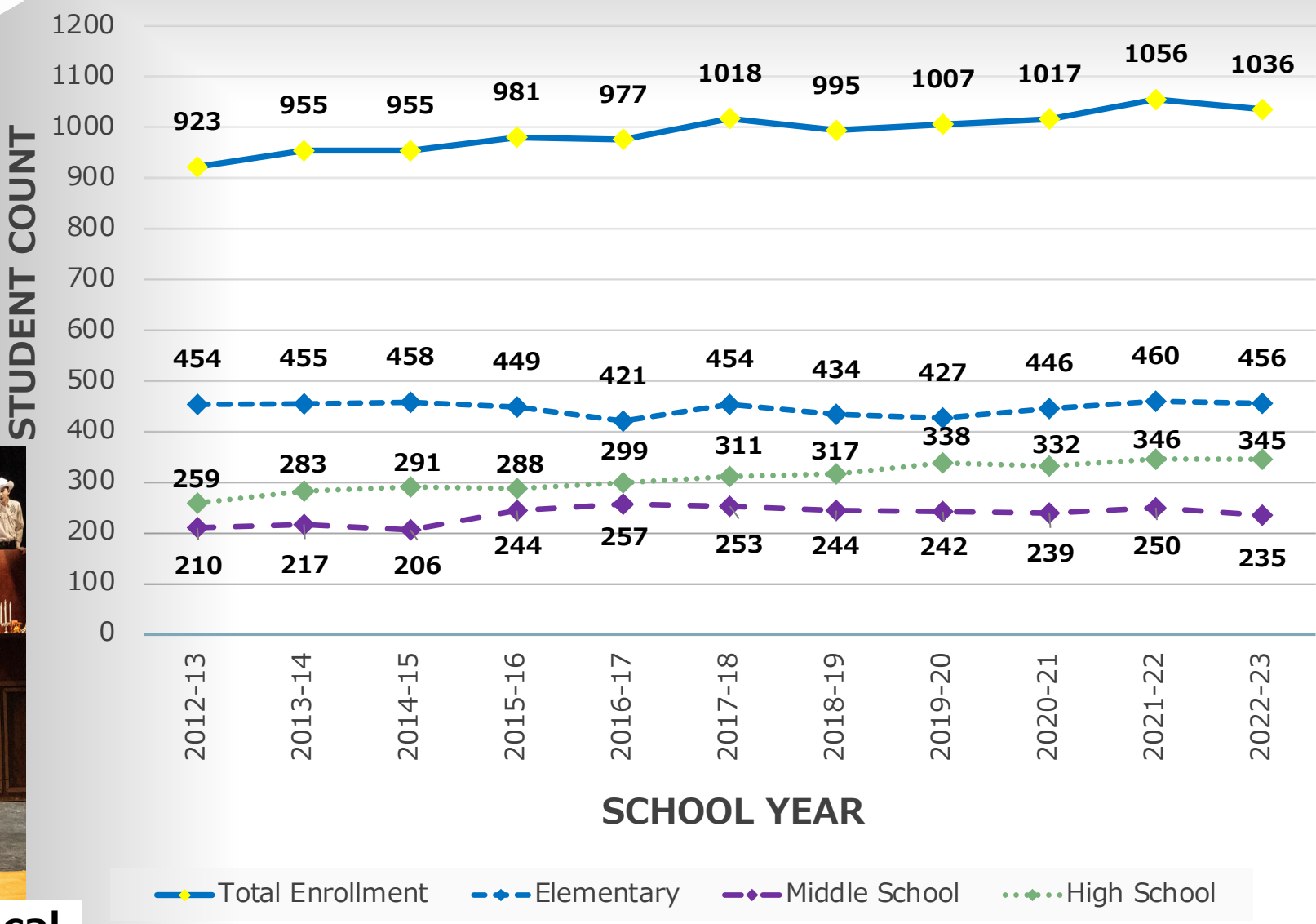
Wahoo Public Schools: GREAT

	District Size	• 191.5 sq miles
	Master's Teacher Degree %	• 65.82%
	Average Years of Teaching Experience	• 16.45
	NSAA Classification	• B / C-1



Addams Family - Musical

District Enrollment



DISTRICT DEMOGRAPHICS

Attendance Rate

- District - 93.70%
- State - 92.28%

High Ability Learner

- District – 5.50%
- State - 12.89%

Receiving Special Education Services

- District - 20.57%
- State – 15.92%

Eligible for Free/Reduced Meals

- District - 22.75%
- State - 41.31%

English Learner

- District **
- State - 7.76%

Highly Mobile

- District - 4.08%
- State - 4.22%

Graduation Rate

- District – 89.47%
- State – 87.12%

College Going Rate

- District – 88%
- State – 75%

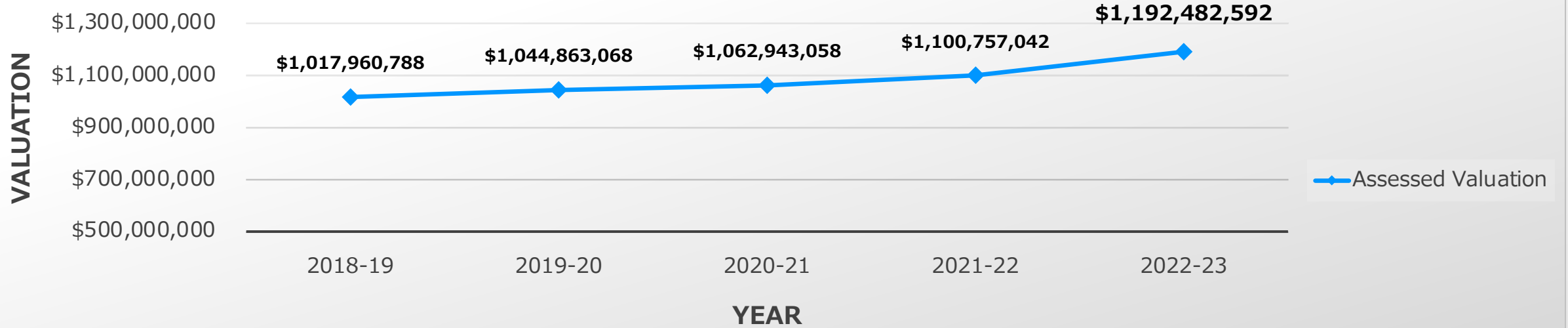
We are committed to:

- Equipping our students for the 21st Century
- Providing opportunities for students to realize their full potential
- Creating engaged citizens
- Collaborating with the greater Wahoo community

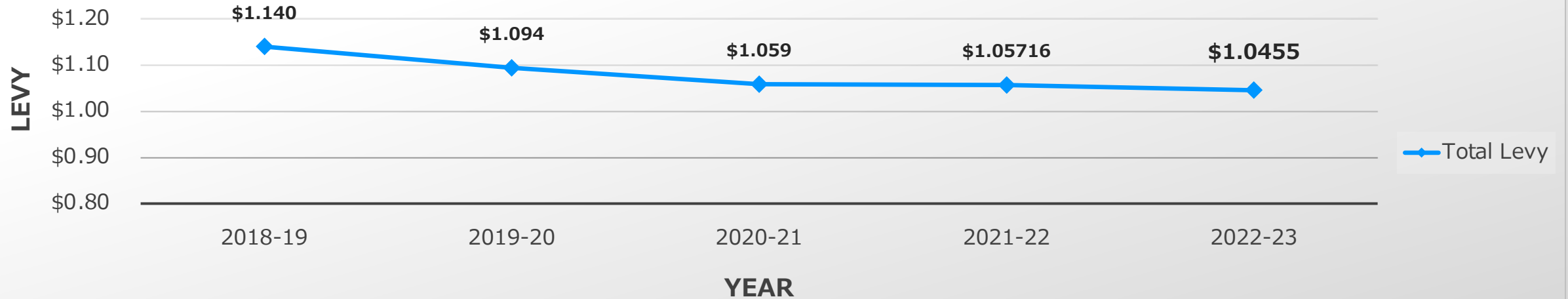


Wahoo Elementary School

Assessed Valuation

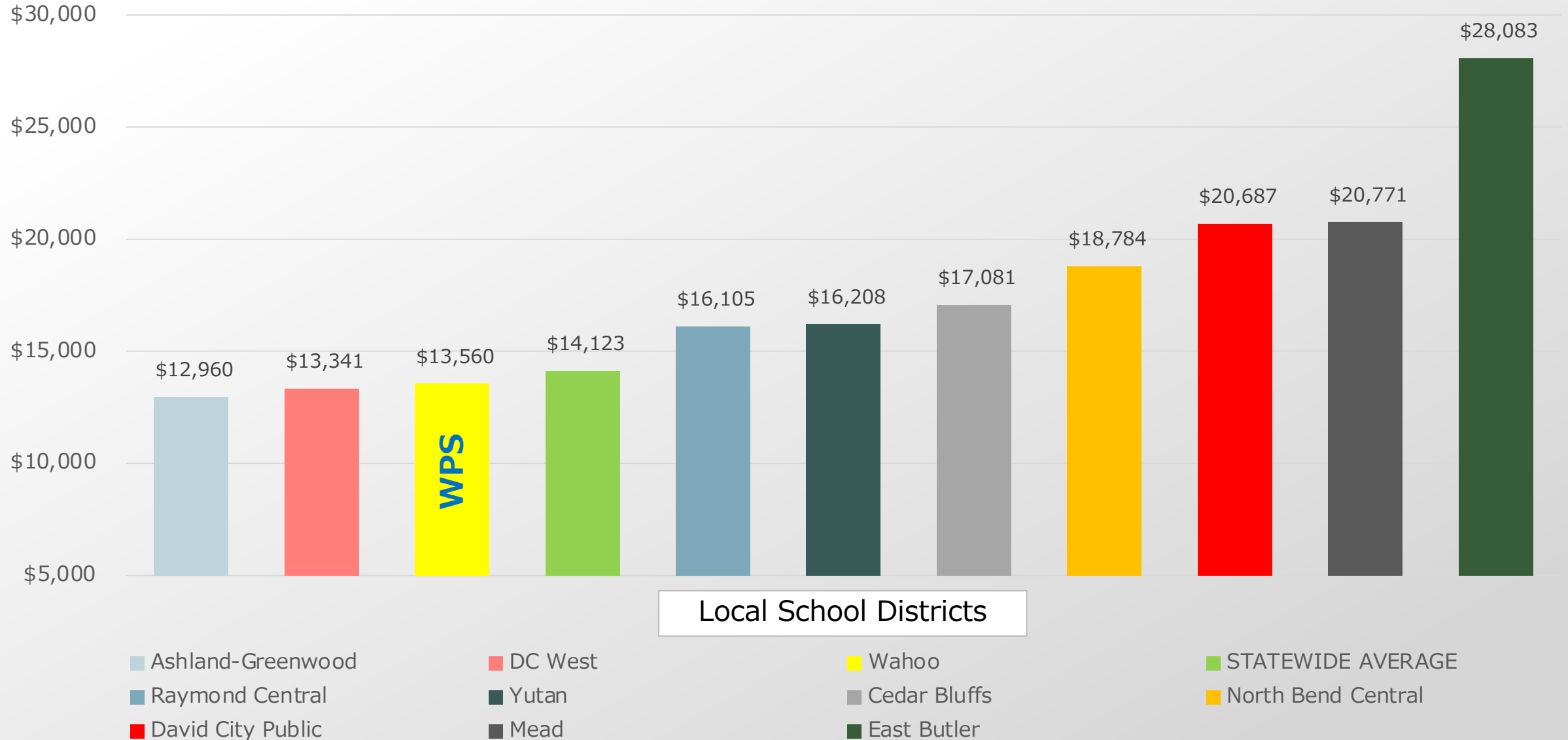


Total Levy

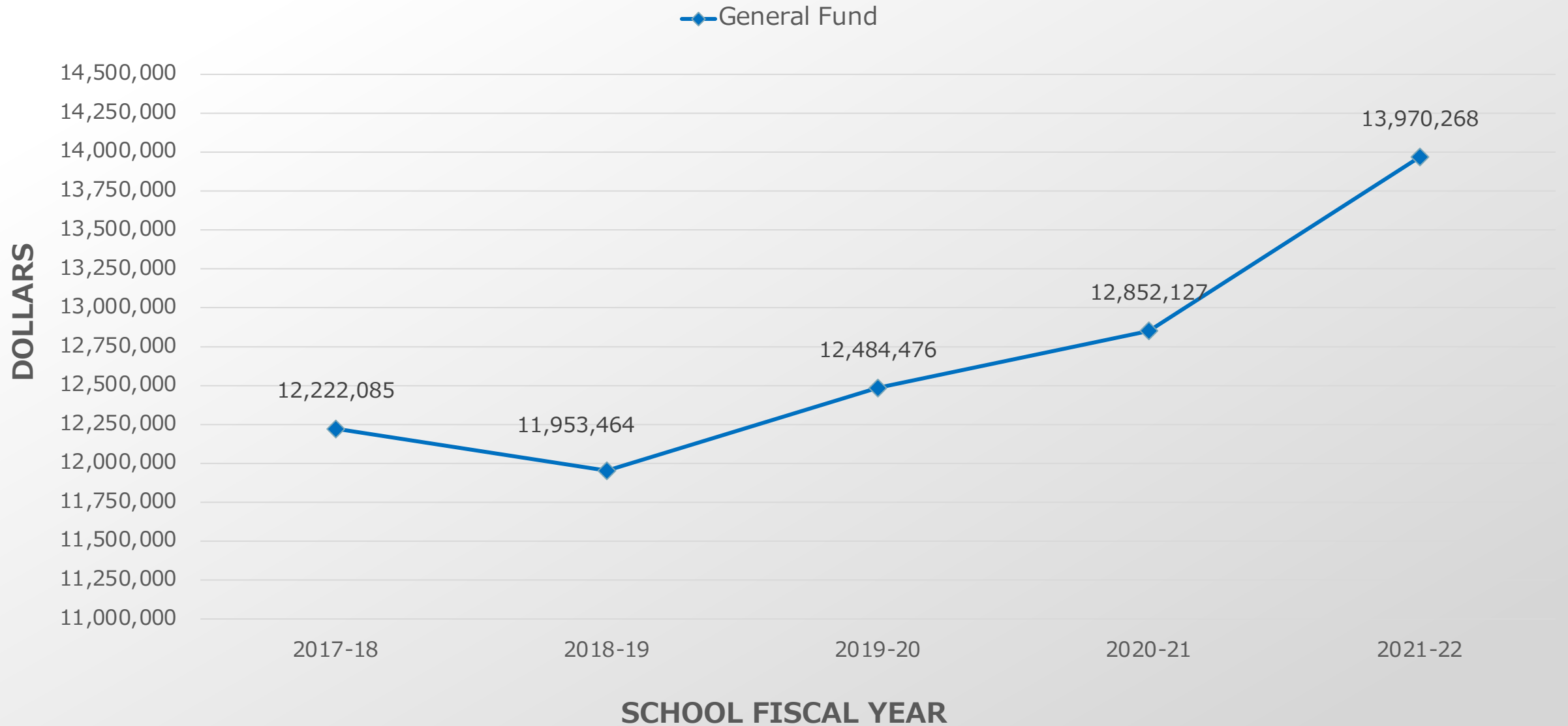


COST PER PUPIL ('21-'22 SY)

(Based on Avg. Daily Membership)



GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES



GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS



The following chart includes course work required to meet basic WHS graduation requirements. Graduation requirements are two-fold: a minimum of 250 credits and all required classes.

ENGLISH **4.5 years (9 semesters)** **45 credits**

Speech (1 semester)

English 9: S1 & S2

English 10: S1 & S2

English 11: S1 & S2

Senior English: one year of the following choices:

English 12-I & English 12-II

College Composition I & College Composition II

Intro to College Literature (1 semester – offered 2nd sem.)

MATH **3 years (6 semesters)** **30 credits**

Algebra 1: S1 & S2

Geometry or Honors Geometry: S1 & S2

Algebra 2 or Honors Algebra 2: S1 & S2

SCIENCE **3 years (6 semesters)** **30 credits**

General Science: S1 & S2

Biology or Honors Biology: S1 & S2

Chemistry Essentials, Chemistry or Honors Chemistry: S1 & S2

SOCIAL STUDIES **3.5 years (7 semesters)** **35 credits**

World Geography (S1 & S2)

World History (S1 & S2)

U.S. History (S1 & S2)

American Government (1 semester)

PHYSICAL EDUCATION **1 year (2 semesters)** **10 credits**

FINE ARTS **1 year (2 semesters)** **10 credits**

BUSINESS **1 year (2 semesters)** **10 credits**

Personal Finance (1 semester)

Economics (1 semester)

CTE (Career/Tech Ed.) **2 years (4 semesters)** **20 credits**

Computer Science Principles (1 semester)

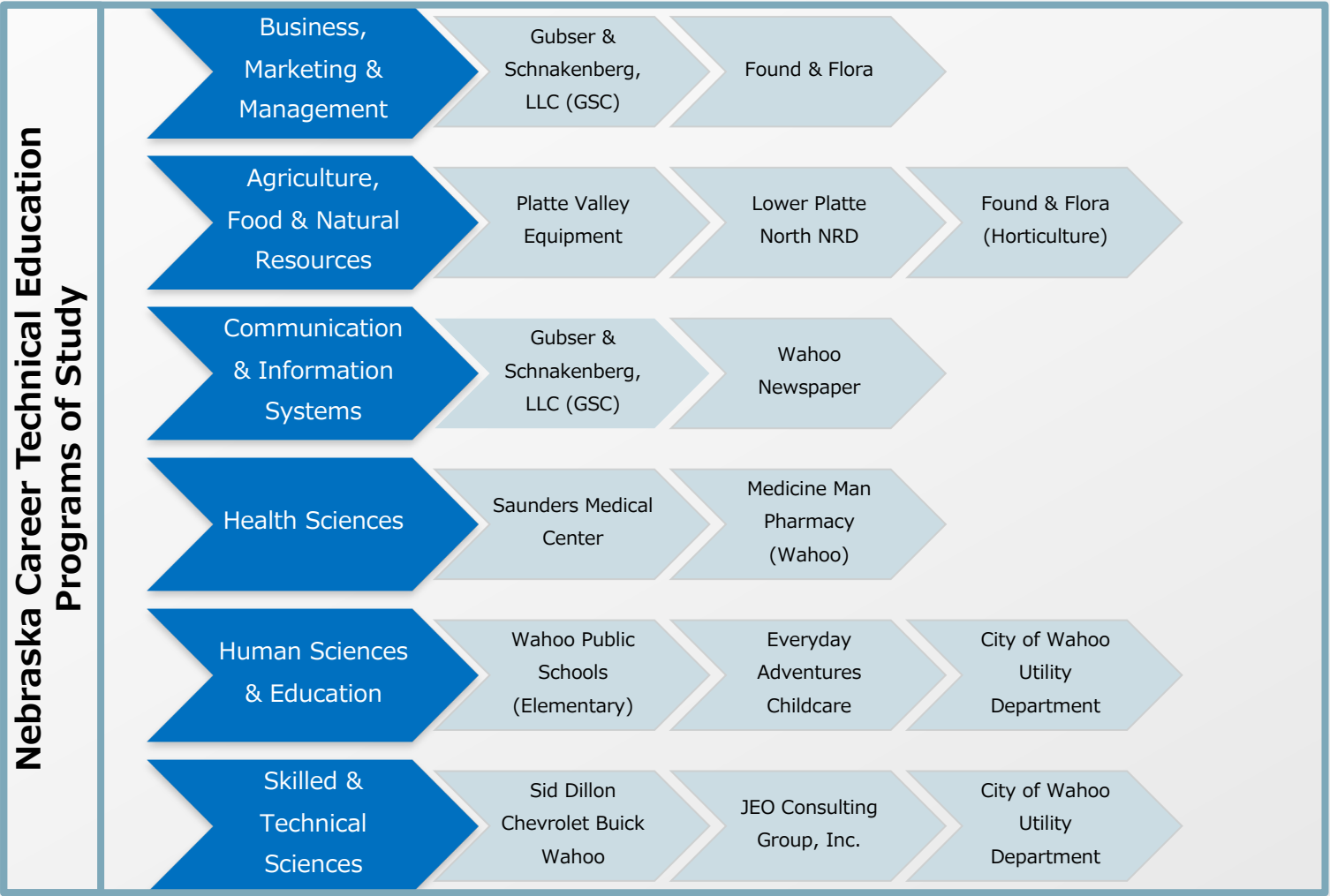
Courses in Business, FACS & or Skills & Technical Sciences

ELECTIVES (12 semesters) **60 credits**

Career Education Opportunities (CEOs)

The Career Exploration Opportunities (CEOs) program assists Wahoo High School students with understanding the linkages between school and work. Through CEOs, students explore and discover their passions, confidence, and skills through a worksite experience in a career cluster of interest. Students are given the opportunity to enhance what they have learned in the classroom in a real-world environment; our community becomes an extension of their education.

The CEOs partnership between education and business provides a student the opportunity to learn firsthand, about the skill and educational requirements necessary for career areas in which they are interested.



Some of the defining characteristics of the CEOs program are fundamental to work-based learning, such as:

- A close relationship between students’ classroom instruction and their workplace experience.
- Offering quality workplace experiences for students.
- Non-traditional scheduling that demonstrates a willingness to make systemic change.
- Joint business-educator development of program.

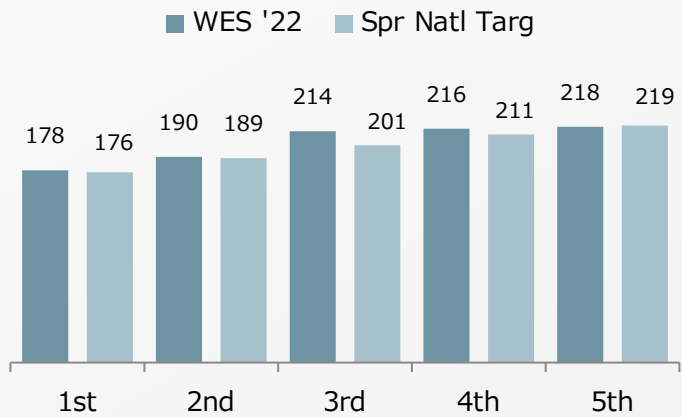
NATIONAL Testing – NWEA MAP

Wahoo Public Schools utilize the Measures of Academic Progress (MAP) assessments for our nationally-normed achievement test. These tests are administered to students in grades 1st – 8th. Reading, Math and Science tests are administered during the Fall and Winter testing terms. The scores are represented as a RIT score.

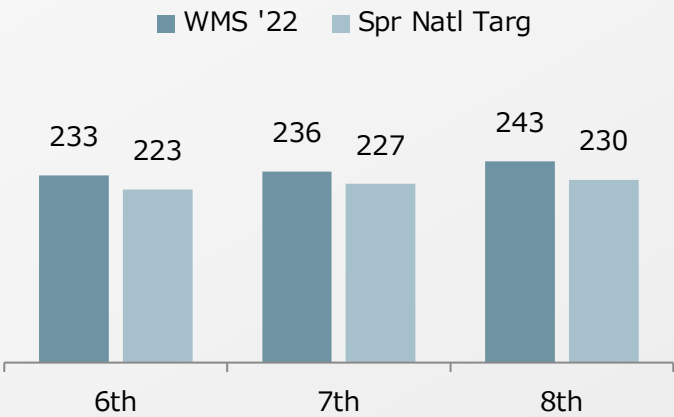


Outdoor Classroom

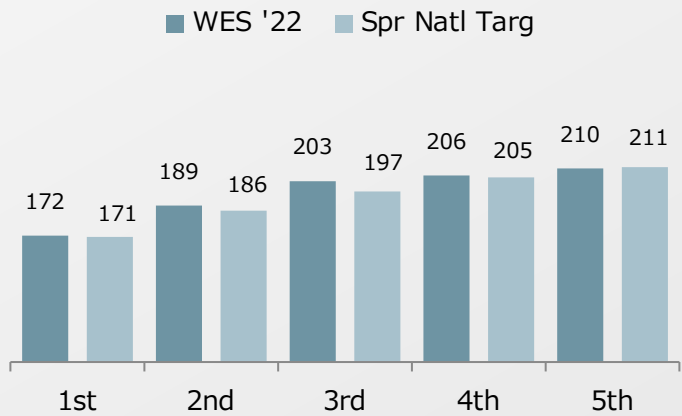
MAP Math (WES)



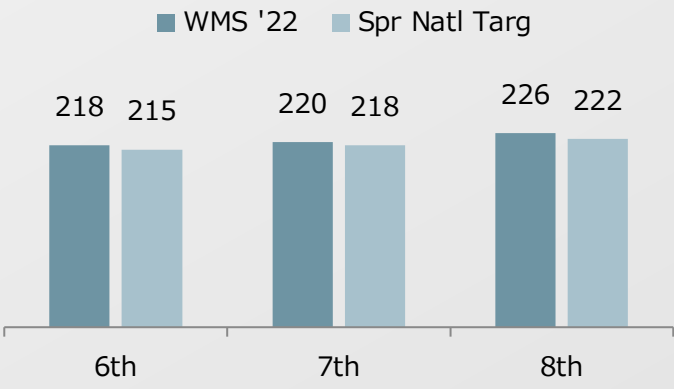
MAP Math (WMS)



MAP Reading (WES)



MAP Reading (WMS)

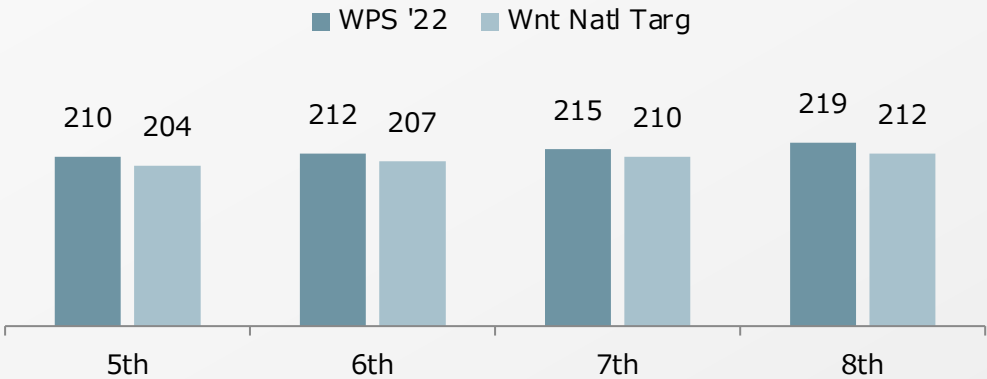




NATIONAL Testing – NWEA MAP

MAP assessments provide ongoing data related to a student’s readiness for instruction and their growth in particular subject areas. The tests adaptive nature provides teachers and administrators with an opportunity to better identify what individual students are ready to learn. The charts directly to the right show a relative cohort of students as they move from grade level to grade level. *You can follow each group of students from year to year within the same color band at a downward angle.*

MAP Science (5th - 8th)



MAP Math (Historical) - Median %ile

	Fall 2019	Fall 2020	Fall 2021	Fall 2022
3rd Math	72	47	82	72
4th Math	86	64	83	87
5th Math	82	65	70	70
6th Math	85	46	61	56
7th Math	95	78	78	84
8th Math	95	91	91	89

MAP Reading (Historical) - Median %ile

	Fall 2019	Fall 2020	Fall 2021	Fall 2022
3rd Reading	63	68	77	77
4th Reading	77	52	81	84
5th Reading	69	74	69	73
6th Reading	79	54	75	71
7th Reading	65	65	65	86
8th Reading	84	74	81	78

STATE Testing – NSCAS Growth

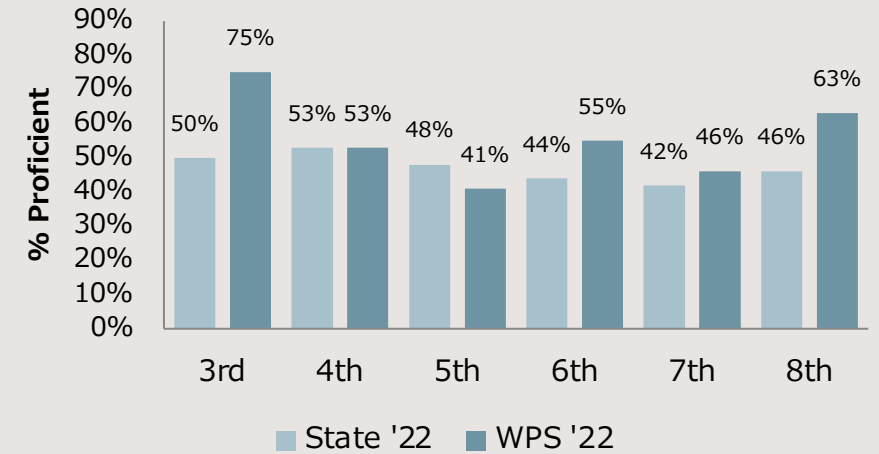
During spring of the 2021-22 school year, the statewide summative assessment is administered to all students in 3rd – 8th grades. These tests are known as the Nebraska Student-Centered Assessment System (NSCAS

Growth) and are conducted in Reading, Math, and Science. With each NSCAS assessment, a student's score falls into one of three categories:

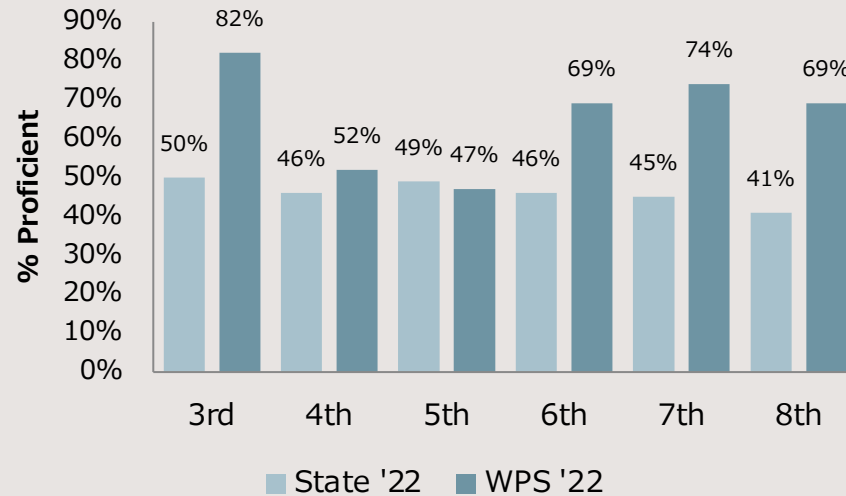
Developing, On Track, College & Career Ready (CCR)

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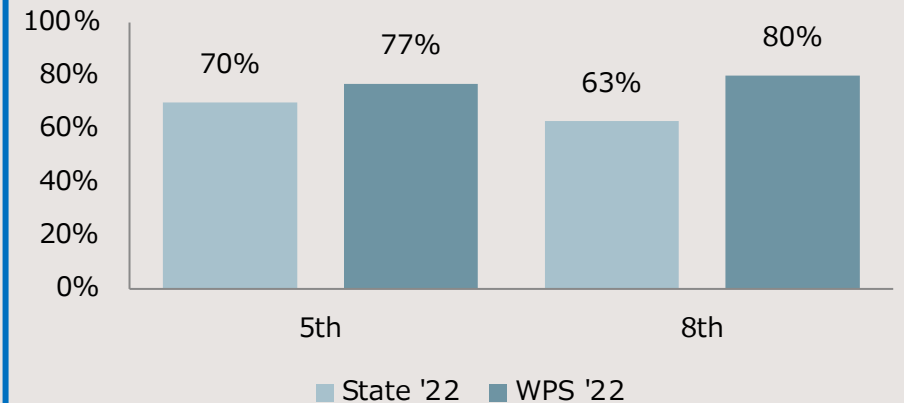
NSCAS ELA (3rd - 8th)



NSCAS MATH (3rd - 8th)



NSCAS SCIENCE (5th & 8th)



Best Communities for Music Education 2021-22 School Year

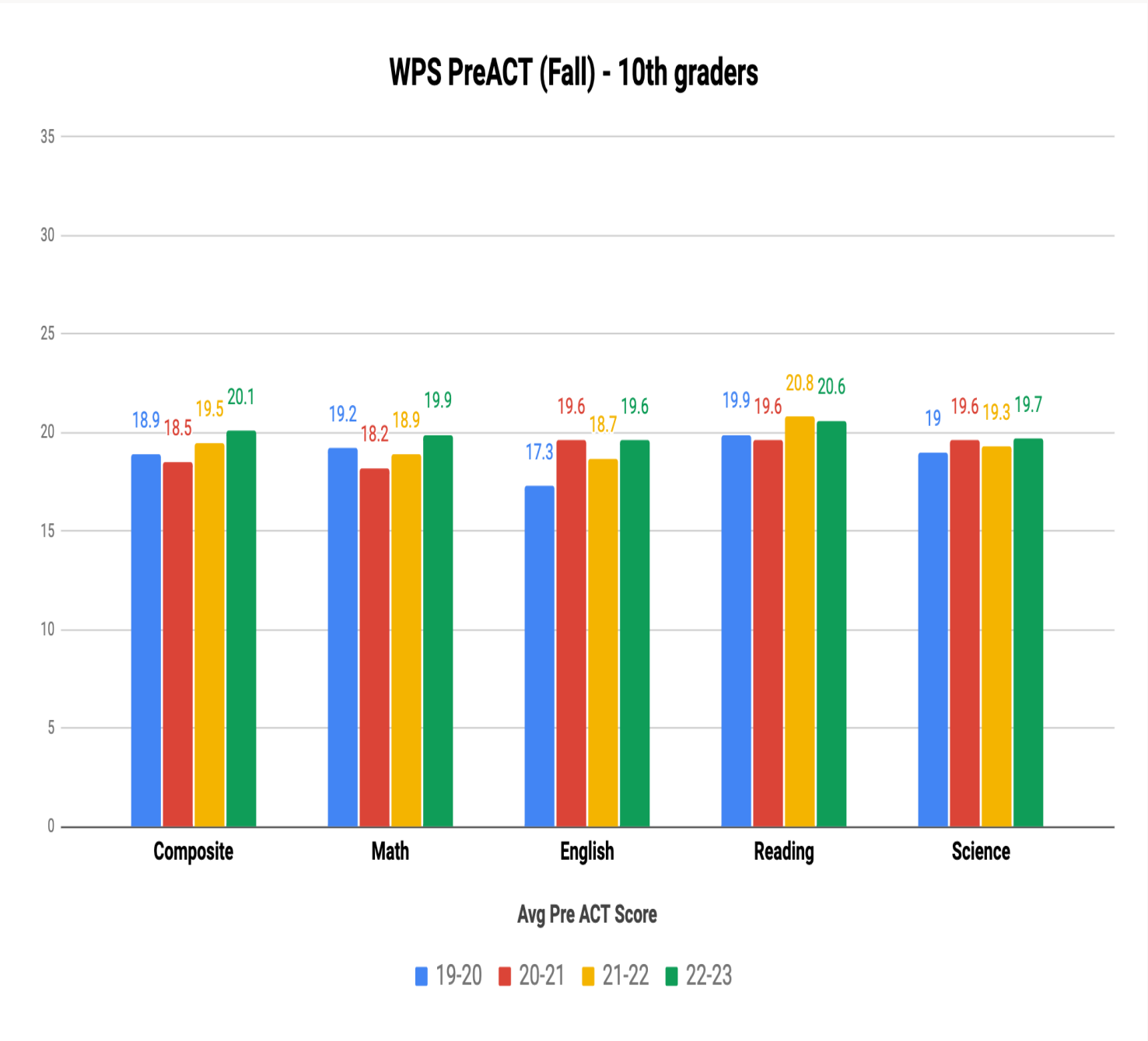


During the 2021-22 school year, Wahoo Public Schools was recognized nationally as one of the Best Communities for Music Education for the second consecutive year! This can be attributed to outstanding community support for our music education and fine arts programs! WPS music instructors continue to build upon past successes and elevate our program to new heights. The future is very bright, and we look forward to the continued growth of our music education programs!



Testing – Pre ACT

During the 2022-23 school year, the PreACT was administered to all 2nd year HS students (Sophomores). The PreACT results provide an early indicator of college readiness in the form of skills and higher order thinking. Wahoo High School had 76, 10th graders complete the ACT in October of 2022. These results are communicated with families and staff use them to inform instruction during many core classes.

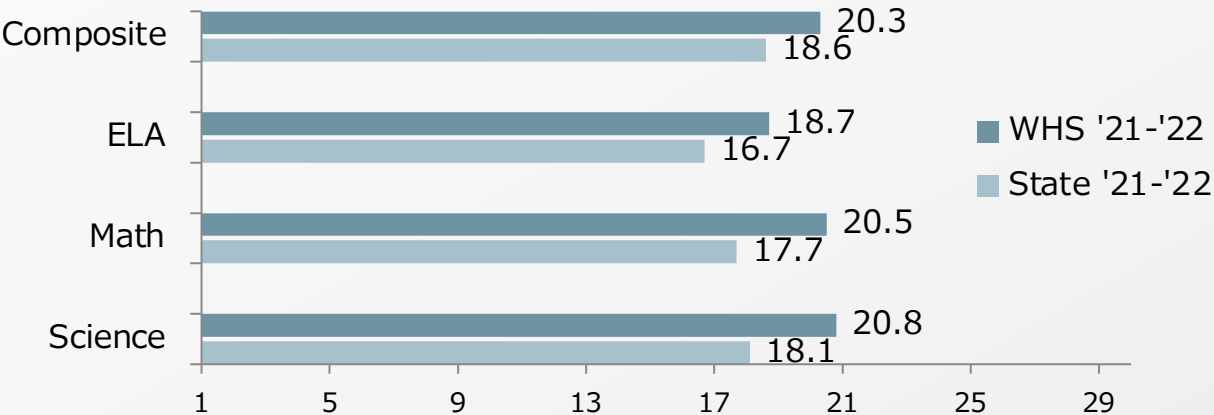


STATE Testing – ACT

During the 2021-22 school year, the ACT was administered as the statewide summative for all 3rd year HS students (Juniors). The ACT results provide an indicator of college readiness in the form of skills and higher order thinking. Wahoo High School had 85, 11th graders complete the ACT in Spring of 2022. The state has established cut scores to indicate whether a student completing the ACT is “On Track” for future success in college. Those scores begin at the following: ELA = 18; Math = 18; Science = 19

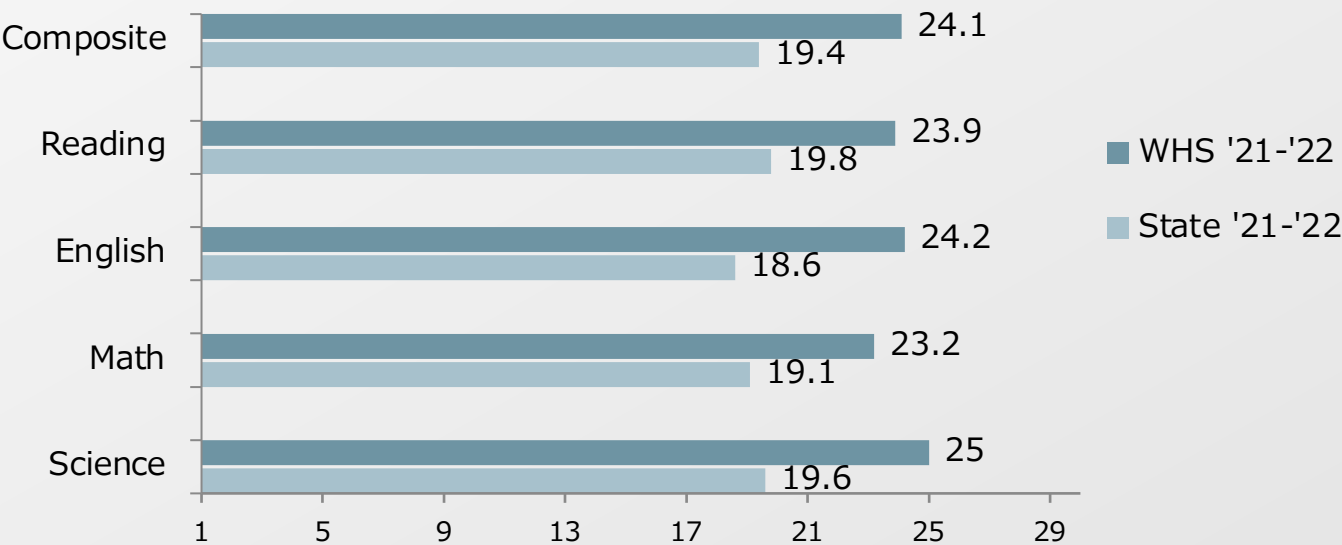


ACT 21-22 (11th graders)



ACT 21-22 (12th graders)

*not all graduating 12th graders took the test



Dual Credit (SENCAP)

Wahoo Public Schools offers opportunities for students to pursue college-level courses both on campus and via distance learning. Wahoo High School partners with Southeast Community College and is proud to offer high school students the opportunity to enroll in Southeast Nebraska Career Academy Partnership (SENCAP) which offers several Academies: Agriculture, Business, Construction, Criminal Justice, Education, Health Sciences, Information Technology, and Manufacturing in Energy and Welding.

Juniors and seniors in high school have the opportunity to take college-level coursework in a career field of their interest, and also have multiple opportunities to explore their career in a hands-on approach through job shadowing, field trips, professional speakers, and annual events highlighting resume building, mock interviews, and other worthy career-related activities.

1st Semester Dual Credit (22-23)

Course	#Enrolled	Instructor
Public Speaking	33	On site (SCC)
Composition I	43	Mr. Fangman
College Algebra	16	Mrs. Nuckolls
Applied Statistics	4	Mrs. Nuckolls
SENCAP (20 different classes)		Online via SCC
# Ss enrolled in dual credit Semester 1		85
# Ss enrolled in 2+ classes Semester 1		45
# Ss enrolled for the 1 st time		40

2nd Semester Dual Credit (22-23)

Course	#Enrolled	Instructor
Amer History II (Late America)	1	Online via SCC
Applied Statistics	12	Mrs. Nuckolls
College Algebra	14	Mrs. Nuckolls
Comparative Religions	19	Online via SCC
Composition II	8	Mr. Fangman
Introduction to Literature	35	Mr. Minnick
SENCAP (26 different classes)		Online via SCC
# Ss enrolled in dual credit Semester 2		99
# Ss enrolled in 2+ classes Semester 2		46
# Ss enrolled for the 1 st time		21

ACCREDITATION

Wahoo Public Schools currently hold accreditation status with the Nebraska Department of Education ~ Nebraska Framework. Accreditation is a voluntary method of quality assurance designed primarily to distinguish schools adhering to a set of educational standards. Today, the accreditation process is used at all levels of education and is recognized for its ability to effectively drive student performance and continuous improvement in education.



INSTRUCTIONAL HOURS

EFFECTIVE EDUCATORS

Elementary School

Total Instructional Hours Required	1032 Hrs
Total Instructional Hours Attended	1115 Hrs

Middle School

Total Instructional Hours Required	1080 Hrs
Total Instructional Hours Attended	1173 Hrs

High School

Total Instructional Hours Required	1080 Hrs
Total Instructional Hours Attended	1173 Hrs

Recognizing that our school district’s most valuable asset is its educators, the Board of Education acknowledges the need for the continuing evaluation of the performance of teachers and educational specialists employed by Wahoo Public Schools and requires the Superintendent to ensure that such evaluation is carried out as outlined in policy. It shall be the responsibility of the Superintendent to develop appropriate regulations and procedures to implement and ensure policies, regulations, and procedures comply with Nebraska law and Nebraska Department of Education regulations regarding the evaluation of certificated personnel. Specific requests for teacher qualification information should be directed to Superintendent of Schools, Mr. Brandon Lavaley.



Board of Education

The Wahoo Public Schools Board of Education meets on the third Monday of each month in the Wahoo High School Library, located at 2201 North Locust Street. As the elected governing body of the School District, the Wahoo Public Board of Education is the liaison between the community and professional educators. Community input is welcome as the board prepares long-range plans, writes educationally sound policies and prepares for the future. The Board continually assesses community priorities and invites the residents of the District to contact its members and/or the Superintendent for input.

Back row (from left): Mike Hancock, Renae Feilmeier, Alex Shada, Bob Sullivan
Front row: Di Pfeiffer, Brett Eddie



WMS All State Choir Members

The mission of the Wahoo Public Schools, with the support of our community, is:

"Inspiring Our Students To Thrive"

The communities that are served by our district include Wahoo, Colon, Ithaca, Malmo, Swedeburg and Weston. There are two attendance centers within Wahoo Public Schools; a K-5 Elementary School with a Head Start/Special Education preschool program, and a 6-8 Middle and 9-12 High School with separated instructional areas. An Alternative Education Center is also housed within the High School. Wahoo Public Schools offers a diverse curriculum. Distance Learning, Dual Credit, OdysseyWare and SENCAP (Career Academy) courses are offered to enhance the educational experience of all students.