



# Shakopee Public Schools





### We are life-long learners.

Shakopee Public Schools serves more than 8,000 students in Shakopee, Savage, Prior Lake, and the Jackson, Louisville and Sand Creek Townships. We are proud to serve a diverse population with more than 40 languages and dialects spoken in our schools.

Our district is located in the southern suburbs in the Twin Cities area. We offer programs and activities that allow our students to learn, share, explore and expand their knowledge, talents and skills.

### **Elementary Schools**

Eagle Creek, Jackson, Red Oak, Sun Path and Sweeney Elementary schools Serving students in grades K-5

### **Secondary Schools**

East Middle School and West Middle School Serving students in grades 6-8

Shakopee High School & Tokata Learning Center Serving students in grades 9-12



### We are Education Forward.

- Technology in our classrooms
- Early Childhood Education including preschool and ECFE
- Shakopee Community Education
- Full-day kindergarten programming
- Young Scholars
- AVID (Advancement Via Individual Determination)
- Project Lead the Way
- College in the Schools
- Academies of Shakopee
- Shakopee CAPS (Center for Advanced Professional Studies) Program





## We are committed to a great start.





### **Early Childhood Family Education**

- ECFE classes support parents as their children's first teachers. ECFE is a great way to meet and connect with other parents in the community.
- We offer flexible day, evening and Saturday classes for parents and children to attend together.

### **Stepping Stones Preschool**

- Our preschool is designed to support and grow children's skills, knowledge, and confidence to succeed in our kindergarten program and beyond.
- We offer classes two to five days per week, days or evenings as well as before and after-school care.

### **PACE Family Literacy**

• A unique opportunity that combines adult basic English language learning, parent education and support, early education for children birth-four years, parent and child interaction.



### We are developing students for success.

### **Full Day Kindergarten Programming**

- Students in our full-day Kindergarten programing are exposed early to a balance of STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering & Math) and the Early Childhood Workshop Model.
- Students focus on standards-based framework for learning, as well as individualized, hands-on learning.

### **Elementary Curriculum**

- Our elementary schools strive for excellence inside the classroom and recently underwent a curriculum re-design beginning with full-day kindergarten, which is growing each year with our students.
- Our students are encouraged to be critical thinkers and problem-solvers.



### **Young Scholars**

- At Shakopee Schools we believe that all of our students can be scholars!
- Young Scholars is a nationally recognized program that focuses on students that are historically underrepresented for gifted services and advanced programs.

### **Special Education**

- The mission of Shakopee Special Education is to create a collaborative learning community that promotes the development of each learner's unique potential in an encouraging and respectful environment.
- Shakopee's special education department serves approximately 1,200 children and students age birth through 21 with a variety of disabilities.
- A wide range of service delivery models are offered including home-based services for infants and toddlers and school-based services within the school district.
- We pride ourselves on the quality of our staff and on our efforts to provide programming based on the latest education research.

# We are preparing students for both college and career.

### **Academies of Shakopee**

- The Academies of Shakopee provide students a chance to explore their interest while getting valuable, real-world learning experiences by partnering and learning from local business experts.
- The academies are small learning communities of students and teachers organized around areas of interest.
- The goal of the academies is to strengthen the connection between high school and post-secondary and career options by enabling students to explore areas of interest, find their passion and develop the necessary skills to succeed beyond graduation.



### AVID Program | Advancement Via Individual Determination

- The college readiness program prepares students for success using a systematic approach designed to support students and educators.
- AVID targets students in the academic middle who are usually underserved.



### College in the Schools

- Shakopee Schools is a state leader in the University of Minnesota's College in the Schools program.
- Students take U of M courses and earn college credits inside Shakopee High School.

## Shakopee CAPS | Shakopee Center for Advanced Professional Studies

- Shakopee CAPS is an innovative program, for juniors and seniors, that immerses students into authentic career experiences with the help of local business partners.
  - Students in the program earn high school and college credit
- Students engage in project-based learning, internship and professional skill development.

### **AP Courses | Advanced Placement Courses**

- We offer 13 AP courses
- The Advanced Placement (AP) program provides an opportunity to take college-level course in a high school setting.
- AP classes are taught by high school teachers who follow course guidelines set by the College Board.





# We are dedicated to helping **ALL** students achieve.

### **English Language Learners**

- This program is designed for students who are not native speakers of English and focuses on listening, speaking, reading, and writing academic English.
- Services are also intended to familiarize students with American culture, expectations in an American public school and help them transition successfully to English-only instruction.

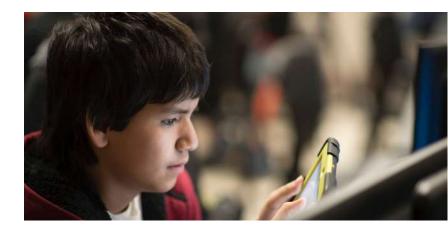
#### **Adult Basic Education**

• GED Preparation and English language classes are offered in partnership with South West Metro Intermediate District.

# Project Lead the Way | Elementary and Secondary

- Project Lead the Way is a computer science, engineering, and biomedical science program open to all students at Shakopee Schools that starts as early as kindergarten.
- Students learn important skills that will benefit them throughout their life such as: problem-solving, collaboration and critical-thinking.









### Technology-Rich Classrooms in all our Schools

- Students need to be equipped with technological knowledge and skills necessary to be competitive in the 21st century.
- Thanks to our technology levy, made possible by community support, students throughout the district either have an assigned device (laptop or iPad) or access to technology inside their classroom.

### **Shakopee Community Education**

- Youth Enrichment & Development: Out-of-school-time enrichment opportunities to help students learn, grow and discover their passions.
- Adult and Parent Education Programming: Programs and opportunities for adults to connect with each other for new experiences in personal or professional growth.
- Youth Driver's Education: Classroom and behind-the-wheel driver's education instruction for students ages 15 and older.
- District Volunteer Program: We welcome and connect volunteers of all ages to share their talents, skills and resources to help support students, teachers and school programs.
- Special Events & Community Partnerships: Daddy Daughter Dance, Vehicle Fair, Celebration of Children's 5K and 1m Race, Wheelies, Senior Expo, Mock Car Crash and more.
- Family Activities: A wide variety of offerings for families to learn new skills and to connect and get involved in the community.



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