

Grace Lutheran School is a non-profit school operated by the members of Grace Lutheran Church, Missouri Synod.

### Frequently Asked Questions

**Q. What grades are included in Choice?**

- **Milwaukee:** 4K through 8<sup>th</sup> grade.
- **WI (statewide):** Students in grades 4K, 5K and students in 4K-8<sup>th</sup> who attended a public school or choice school last year.

**Q. What if a family income increases after being accepted?** Once a student is accepted into the voucher program, they only re-apply to verify residency each year.

**Q. Is transportation provided?** Busing may be provided for students who reside in the approved areas of Menomonee Falls or Germantown.

**Q. What costs are covered by a voucher?** A voucher pays for all tuition and book costs. Additional fees are charged for optional programs like athletics, band, yearbooks, and school lunch.

**Q. Are there procedures regarding student suspensions and expulsions?** Yes. Choice students would be subject to the regular school rules regarding suspensions or expulsions.

### What if Grace has more applications than seats available?

*Early application is encouraged.*

1. **Milwaukee:** Selection of students will be determined on a **random selection** basis after each application window. Grace conducts the random selection process.
2. **WI (statewide):** State vouchers are limited to 1% of the student's resident public school enrollment. The DPI determines the vouchers awarded.

# School Choice

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<http://www.schoolchoicewi.org/>

You may also contact:

Private School Choice Programs  
Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction  
P.O. Box 7841 Madison, WI 53707-7841  
Toll-free: 888-245-2732, ext. 3

Parents may schedule a school tour by calling or emailing Grace.

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# GRACE LUTHERAN

MENOMONEE FALLS, WI

## WI School Choice

Grace participates in both the **Milwaukee Parental Choice Program (MPCP)** and the **WI Parental Choice Program (WPCP)**. Students may apply for a voucher to attend Grace if residency and income criteria are met.

### Application Deadlines

- **Milwaukee Residents**  
Feb 1-22, March 1-21, April 1-20  
May 1-20, June 1-20, July 1-20  
Aug 1-22, Sept 1-14, Oct 1-20  
Nov 1-21, Dec 1- Jan 9
- **Wisconsin (state)**  
February 1 - April 20

Parents apply online for both programs.

<http://dpi.wi.gov/SMS/choice-programs/student-applications>

***Did you know that low and middle income children could attend Grace for free using a school voucher?***

**Parent Application Process**

1. An **email address** is REQUIRED to apply. Families without computer access may make an appointment to apply online using a Grace computer.
2. Families **apply online** during the application dates listed on the front of this brochure.
3. Parents verify their **income**. (2 options)
  - a. DOR method: Parents who enter social security numbers when applying, will have income data imported from the Department of Revenue (no additional paper verification needed);
  - b. DPI method: Parents must provide signed copies of federal income tax forms to Grace as directed in the application process.
4. Parents verify their **residency** by presenting a current utility bill, lease, or government correspondence to Grace
5. Families complete a Grace school application after a voucher is awarded.
6. Students re-apply each year and provide residency documentation (but not income).

**Parents apply online**

<http://dpi.wi.gov/SMS/choice-programs/student-applications>

**HOW DOES SOMEONE QUALIFY FOR A VOUCHER?**

**Family Income**

- **Family income** includes the income of the child's parent(s) or legal guardian(s) that **reside in the same household** as the student applicant.
- **Family size** includes parents/guardians and their children by birth, marriage or adoption that reside in the same household as the student applicant.
- **What if parents are divorced - whose income is included?** The income of the parent who resides in the same household as the student is included.

**Milwaukee Choice**

A city of Milwaukee resident with an adjusted gross income (AGI) below 300% of the poverty level is eligible.

Family Size	Single Parent Maximum AGI	Married Parents Maximum AGI
1	\$35,628	\$42,628
2	\$48,219	\$55,219
3	\$60,810	\$67,810
4	\$73,401	\$80,401
5	\$85,992	\$92,992
6	\$98,583	\$105,583

For each additional member add \$12,591

**Wisconsin (statewide) Choice**

A WI resident with an adjusted gross income (AGI) below 185% of the poverty level is eligible.

Family Size	Single Parent Maximum AGI	Married Parents Maximum AGI
1	\$21,971	\$28,971
2	\$29,735	\$36,735
3	\$37,499	\$44,499
4	\$45,263	\$52,263
5	\$53,027	\$60,027
6	\$60,791	\$67,791

For each additional member add \$7,764

**Residency**

Parents must provide residency documentation to Grace during the application period or the application is ineligible.

**Free/Reduced Lunches**

Grace participates in the federal free and reduced lunch program. Parents apply in the school office.

**Student Placement**

Grace will accept any student awarded a voucher but may use a placement test to determine the proper grade placement.

**Special Education**

A Choice school may not discriminate against a child with special needs during the admission process; however, Grace Lutheran is only required to offer those services to assist students with special needs that it can provide with minor accommodations.

Parents should contact their Public School District for more information on the services provided to children with special needs enrolled in the public schools and the lesser services that school district provides those children enrolled in private schools.

Grace Lutheran does not discriminate on the basis of sex, race, color, age, national origin, or ancestry.