

## **Eisenhower, West Among State's Top High Schools, According To *U.S. News and World Report's* 2017 Rankings**

New Berlin, Wis. – New Berlin Eisenhower and West continue to rank among the top high schools in Wisconsin, according to *U.S. News & World Report's* 2017 Best High Schools list released this week.

Eisenhower is ranked sixth, and one of only six schools to earn the publication's national gold medal, which is given to the top 500 schools across the country. West is ranked 11th, and earned a silver medal from the publication.

"To once again have two high schools considered among the best in Wisconsin says a lot about the teachers, students and families we have in our community," Superintendent Joe Garza said. "A lot of work goes into preparing all students for life after high school. An accolade like this is years in the making, and all of our teachers, from our youngest grades to those who lead our most rigorous high school courses, should be proud."

The U.S. News & World Report's rankings methodology is based on four criteria:

- Students perform better than expected in their state;
- Disadvantaged students perform better than state averages;
- Student graduation rates meet or exceed a national standard of 75 percent or higher;
- Students are prepared for college-level coursework.

The publication looks at reading and math proficiency results for all students, as well as for disadvantaged students. It also calculates a college readiness index based on a school's AP participation rate and how well the students did on those tests.

"We continue to be recognized as leaders in the state for our college and career readiness and academic and career planning efforts, and we continue to steer students toward opportunities that allow them to earn college credits while in high school," Garza said. "We want all of our students to be college, career and life ready when they leave our high schools."

Read the full methodology [here](#).

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