



2023–24 World’s Best Workforce (WBWF) Annual Summary Report

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Annual Report

WBWF Requirement: For each school year, the school board must publish a report in the local newspaper, by mail or by electronic means on the district website.

Provide the direct website link to the district’s WBWF annual report. If a link is not available, describe how the district disseminates the report to stakeholders: <https://www.wha.k12.mn.us/district-591bf479>

Annual Public Meeting

These annual public meetings were to be held in the fall of each school year. Report on this measure for the 2023–24 SY. December 9, 2024

WBWF Requirement: School boards are to hold an annual public meeting to communicate plans for the upcoming school year based on a review of goals, outcomes and strategies from the previous year. Stakeholders should be meaningfully involved, and this meeting is to occur separately from a regularly scheduled school board meeting.

Provide the date of the school board annual public meeting to review progress on the WBWF plan for the 2023-24 SY: December 9, 2024

Goals and Results

All Students Ready for School

Does your district/charter enroll students in kindergarten? If no, you do not need to set a school readiness goal.

Goal	Result	Goal Status
Provide the established SMART goal for the 2023–24 SY. 100% of preschool students entering kindergarten will show growth in all developmental areas.	Provide the result for the 2023–24 SY that directly ties back to the established goal. 92% of students met this goal.	Check one of the following: <input type="checkbox"/> On Track (multi-year goal) <input type="checkbox"/> Not On Track (multi-year goal) <input type="checkbox"/> Goal Met (one-year goal) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Goal Not Met (one-year goal)

Repeat table for additional school readiness goals as appropriate.

Close the Achievement Gap(s) Between Student Groups

Goal	Result	Goal Status
Provide the established SMART goal for the 2023–24 SY. Student performance on 2023-2024 MCAs in Math and Reading will increase at least 2% over previous 3-year trend averages for each subgroup (2022, 2023, 2024)	Provide the result for the 2023–24 SY that directly ties back to the established goal. The only subgroup to increase at least 2% over the previous 3-year trend average was our American Indian subgroup in Math. The goal was 7.9% and our students increased 9.8%.	Check one of the following: <input type="checkbox"/> On Track (multi-year goal) <input type="checkbox"/> Not On Track (multi-year goal) <input type="checkbox"/> Goal Met (one-year goal) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Goal Not Met (one-year goal)

Repeat table for additional achievement gap goals as appropriate.

All Students Career and College-Ready by Graduation

Goal	Result	Goal Status
<p>Provide the established SMART goal for the 2023–24 SY.</p> <p>Walker Hackensack Akeley Schools will improve our 2022-2023 ACT Composite score to 18.5 with a three-year (2023-2026) goal to attain a Composite score of 19.5.</p>	<p>Provide the result for the 2023–24 SY that directly ties back to the established goal.</p> <p>WHA 23-24 ACT composite score is 18.94 . This shows that the district has not met the goal.</p>	<p>Check one of the following:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> On Track (multi-year goal)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Not On Track (multi-year goal)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Goal Met (one-year goal)</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Goal Not Met (one-year goal)</p>

Repeat table for additional career and college readiness goals as appropriate.

All Students Graduate

Does your district/charter enroll students in grade 12? If no, you do not need to set a graduation goal.

Goal	Result	Goal Status
<p>Provide the established SMART goal for the 2023–24 SY.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The 4-year average graduation rate will increase from 80.6% in 2022 to 88% in 2025. 	<p>Provide the result for the 2023–24 SY that directly ties back to the established goal.</p> <p>The 4 year graduation rate went from 80.6% to 80.8%. While there was growth, it did not meet the goal.</p>	<p>Check one of the following:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> On Track (multi-year goal)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Not On Track (multi-year goal)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Goal Met (one-year goal)</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Goal Not Met (one-year goal)</p>

Goal Area 6: Prepare students to be lifelong learners:

Goal	Result	Goal Status
<p>Provide the established SMART goal for the 2023–24 SY.</p> <p>For the 2024-2025 school year the WHA school will realign college in the schools and classes to correspond with an AA degree and one college. College and Career courses for 9-12, work-based learning. As a result, 100% of WH graduates will leave school with having been accepted to the military: a 2- or 4-year college; or be gainfully employed.</p>	<p>Provide the result for the 2023–24 SY that directly ties back to the established goal.</p> <p>This is a future goal based on the new report there are no results at this time.</p>	<p><i>Check one of the following:</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> NA On Track (multi-year goal)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Not On Track (multi-year goal)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Goal Met (one-year goal)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Goal Not Met (one-year goal)</p>