

Direct Admit Wisconsin School District Participation Information

Direct Admit Wisconsin will send its first direct admissions letters to the class of 2025. Districts that opt-in should be ready to engage in implementation starting in December 2023. Given we are in our first year of rollout, it is important to note that the timeline and requirements listed below are broad and may be subject to change. We are committed to working closely with our partner school districts to ensure we are offering the best experience to schools, students, and families.

Timeline

- **December 1**: Deadline to opt-in.
- Winter/Spring 2024: School districts work on the initial set-up in the SIS and testing of set-up begins.
- **February/March 2024**: Universities of Wisconsin and school districts work collaboratively to communicate with students, parents/families of current juniors.
- March-May 2024: Current juniors will be asked to opt-in/opt-out and complete FERPA release.
- April 2024: Universities of Wisconsin and school districts will begin to collaboratively communicate with students, parents/families of current sophomores.
- July 2024: School districts run the process to match students with the Universities of Wisconsin universities they are directly admitted to and push out direct admission letters to the class of 2025 rising seniors.

Technical Requirements

- Infinite Campus or Skyward student information system user.
- No additional software purchase required. SIS vendor will provide the appropriate software update.
- Infinite Campus users must have a working graduation program set up for their district in the SIS.

Data-sharing Requirements

- Enter into a data-sharing agreement with the Universities of Wisconsin. Students will be asked to complete a FERPA release and opt-in/opt-out. Sample data-sharing agreement will be posted here.
- School districts will need to generate a data file through their SIS that will be shared with the Universities of Wisconsin along with sharing of student transcripts.

Staffing Requirements

- Estimate staff work time specific to SIS set-up: approximately 8-12 hours of staff work time over the course of the year, this includes summer work time. This may be one staff member or split between staff depending on the high school.
- Appropriate district staff should plan to attend training related to the set-up and actions needed in the student information system. Initial training needs and support will be provided by the vendors at no cost to school districts.

Collaboration

- Collaborate with the Universities of Wisconsin to assist students and inform stakeholders about Direct Admit Wisconsin.
- Participate in check-ins with the Universities of Wisconsin Direct Admissions team.