About our school
Spring Harbor Middle School is an environmental studies magnet school located on Madison’s far west side. Students interested in attending Spring Harbor must apply. Ninety sixth grade students are selected annually through a lottery process. In order to apply, students must live in the Madison Memorial High School attendance area. Preference is given to siblings of current students and those students who live in the former Spring Harbor Elementary School attendance area. Specific details regarding the lottery are typically available in December of each year.

The curricular offerings at Spring Harbor Middle School are broad and wide-ranging. All students in sixth, seventh, and eighth grades receive instruction in four basic academic subjects: math, science, social studies and language arts. These classes comprise the “academics” of the middle school program. In addition to academics (and dependent upon grade level), our students also have access to wellness, art, computers, music, physical education, French, Spanish and academic enrichment classes and/or intervention classes.

While at Spring Harbor Middle School, students will participate in a challenging Common Core State Standards aligned curriculum with a particular focus in environmental studies.

Students at Spring Harbor Middle School can expect to:
- Know their teachers and peers well
- Access high quality, differentiated instruction and interventions
- Engage in hands-on learning beyond the four walls of a school
- Integrate and extend knowledge through critical and creative thinking
- Use technology to gather and analyze information and ideas
- Demonstrate learning through a variety of methods
- Engage the explicit teaching of social/emotional skills
- Participate in a learning community
- Engage in collaborative inquiry

School mission statement
Spring Harbor is a small environmental-studies middle school focused on challenging all students to explore their world, empowering them to become agents of change.

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Madison, WI 53705

Web address
https://springharbor.madison.k12.wi.us
facebook.com/SpringHarborMiddleSchool
Key Policies and Guidelines

After-school information
A variety of special interest clubs are available after-school at Spring Harbor. Clubs may include horseback riding, drama, music, chess, games, minecraft, yearbook, sports, skiing, canoeing and more. Clubs are based on student interest. Fees may be charged for some clubs.

Emergency situation procedures
Spring Harbor Middle School students are explicitly taught the expectations related to all safety drills. Fire drills and lock down drills are typically performed without prior notice to ensure authenticity of practice.

Transportation
Spring Harbor Middle School uses the regular yellow bus service. Bus routes are available at enrollment and online. The cost for a semester bus pass is $165 or $315 for the entire year.

Field trips
Spring Harbor Middle School prioritizes field trips as we truly believe learning occurs both within and beyond the four walls of our school.

School breakfast and lunch
If you have questions regarding your student’s lunch account, please contact Peggy Ziege at mziege@madison.k12.wi.us or by calling 204-1114.

Breakfast is served mid-morning. Students may choose to eat during this time or bring a snack from home instead. Lunch is served as well.

Breakfast and lunch account payments can be made online or students may bring payment to the lunch room.

Releasing children from school during the day
Spring Harbor Middle School has an automated Safe Arrival voice message system. This line is checked regularly throughout the school day. If your child will be absent from school, tardy to school, or leaving school for an appointment please call (608) 204-1108.

Anti-bullying
Students at Spring Harbor Middle School should feel safe and secure at all times. Please contact us with any bullying concerns. Families may also fill out a WIN form found on the SHMS website.

Dress code
Please review the dress code with your student and contact school if you are unsure of what is acceptable dress.

Parent/teacher conferences
If the formal parent/teacher conference dates and/or the location do not work, please ask for an alternative time.

Family engagement
At Spring Harbor we have prioritized high-quality and supportive communication. Please do not hesitate to contact us.
Electronic devices
Cell phones, earbuds and electronic devices need to be powered off and put away for the entire school day.

Student personal property
All students at Spring Harbor Middle School are required to rent a lock from school and are required to use it at all times. The Spring Harbor lost and found box is located on our second floor. It is cleaned out quarterly; please encourage your student to look for missing items as soon as possible.

School Improvement Planning
Our website features both our full School Improvement Plan (SIP) document and a summary. Should you require a paper copy, please contact the office.

Student support services
Social Worker: 204-1110
Psychologist: 204-1110
School Counselor: 204-1101
Health Office: 204-1106

Behavior
We firmly believe in the power of teaching, modeling and reinforcing positive behavior. Moreover, we believe that middle school students make mistakes and it is our responsibility to help them learn from those mistakes.