

# Expanding Together

Data released by the Department of Public Instruction this month showed continued growth in families using private school parental choice programs for their children. It's clear that parents are seeking more educational opportunities for their children.

Twenty new schools are now taking part in the choice program, bringing the total number of participating schools to **403**. There are now a total of **58,623** students enrolled in one of the four programs, each of whom is exercising their right to educational options. These staggering numbers speak for themselves.

Of course, none of this would be possible without the legislators who advocated for historic increases in the last budget cycle. More schools and students mean more families to advocate for, which makes the work we do here at SCWA in the coming months



that much more critical. As we continue preparing for the next legislative session, we vow to keep our goals aligned with the needs of families across the state.



# CELEBRATING HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH



According to a national survey from the Libre Institute, **77% of Hispanics across the country support school choice.** SCW's partner group Hispanics for School Choice (HFSC) is constantly looking for ways to support the Hispanic population in Wisconsin through engagement and community outreach.

**Nataly Andrade**, Director of Outreach for HFSC, has recently been named as one of Wisconsin's Most Influential Latino Leaders for 2024. We are so proud of the work Nataly does to advocate for Wisconsin's Hispanic communities in her role at HFSC and beyond. One program Nataly began this month is visiting parent meetings at local schools to help Spanish-speaking families better understand the transition between 8th grade and high school as it relates to choice protocols. Through these efforts, families gain confidence in choosing the best school for their children.

# NATIONAL SCHOOL CHOICE WEEK RALLY AT THE CAPITOL



## 2025 National School Choice Week at the Capitol

When  
Wednesday,  
January 29, 2025  
Noon to 1 p.m.

Where  
Wisconsin State Capitol  
Capitol Rotunda



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## SCW IN THE NEWS

Recently, SCW has been featured in several local news outlets regarding DPI data drops and our own press releases this month. Check out these links to read more:

• [The Center Square, "Latest Wisconsin school scores show school choice success"](#)

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• [The Center Square, "Wisconsin choice enrollment grows"](#)

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• [Wisconsin Right Now, "Wisconsin DPI Deceives the Public on Test Scores"](#)

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