



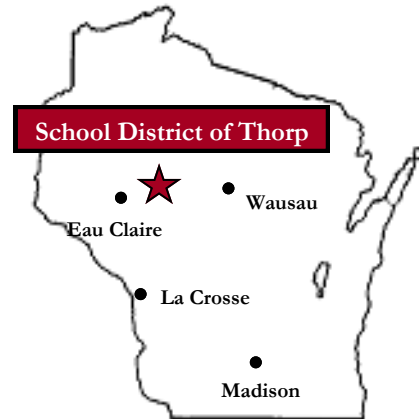
SCHOOL DISTRICT OF  
**THORP**

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## Welcome to the School District of Thorp Superintendent Search!

### Statistics ❖

District Grades.....	4K-Grade 12
Enrollment.....	570
Administrators.....	3
Teachers .....	54
Other Staff (Psychologist, Social Worker, Bookkeeper, Tech Coordinator, Support Staff) .....	32
Annual Fund 10 Operating Budget .....	>\$7.8 million



### Our Mission ❖

Our mission is to create a community of goal-oriented, lifelong learners that will function as responsible and productive citizens.

We will provide our students with an educational system that:

- ❖ Creates a safe and healthy learning environment.
- ❖ Values educational advances and utilizes best learning practices.
- ❖ Supports professional learning that enables educators to collaborate and share best practices.
- ❖ Strengthens relationships with our families and expands community involvement.
- ❖ Cultivates knowledge, self-discipline, leadership, excellence and character in all students.

### Our Beliefs ❖

All students can learn.

The higher the expectation, the greater the achievement.

Excellence is achievable and always worth the investment.

It takes three components to make all schools successful:

1. Teachers who are empowered to teach and enjoy teaching.
2. Parents who care and are involved.
3. Students who are engaged and invested in their own learning.

### About the Thorp Community ❖

The City of Thorp is a progressive, business-friendly community offering a library, community pool, park space, and excellent schools. It is located just 60 miles west of Wausau and 42 miles east of Eau Claire. The community is conveniently located near UW-Eau Claire and the Chippewa Valley Technical Colleges. The area offers many community-building events celebrated by the residents, a sample of which follows:

- ❖ Fireman’s Ball
- ❖ American Legion Annual Smelt Feed
- ❖ FFA Toy Show
- ❖ Chamber of Commerce Easter Egg Hunt
- ❖ City-wide Thrift Sales
- ❖ American Legion Memorial Day Parade/Ceremony
- ❖ Dairy Days
- ❖ Fireworks Extravaganza & Music in the Park
- ❖ Summerfest & Music on Main Street
- ❖ Pumpkin Festival

# About the School District of Thorp



## **School District of Thorp** ❖

The School District of Thorp is a PK-12 district housed in a single building. The school is conveniently located just off of highway 29 which is the major 4-lane highway connecting the Twin Cities and the Fox Valley. The school building contains the PreK-6 elementary school, 7-8 junior high, and 9-12 high school. The district strives to create a high-performing, student-centered school district that meets the needs of the current student population and attracts new students to our district.

Children that reside within the boundaries of the School District of Thorp have a variety of options. Their options include all educational programming sponsored by the district, attendance at private schools participating in the Wisconsin Private School Choice Program, virtual schools sponsored by the district and other districts in the state of Wisconsin, full-time open enrollment to other Wisconsin public school districts, youth options, course options, and home-based private educational programs. Parents of children with disabilities are also advised that there is a special needs voucher program.

The School District of Thorp has one of the top FFA/Ag programs in the state. With two greenhouses and a new wind tunnel, the program produces food for the school lunch program, grows/nurtures flowers that are sold to the public, remodels one tractor a year and provides landscaping to community families. Furthermore, the district promotes PBIS activities throughout the elementary and middle school. RtI is at the forefront of making sure students are equipped with the essential interventions needed to be successful in life.

Technology is an important aspect of the learning environment in the School District of Thorp. All students in grades 7-12 are issued a Chromebook they can use in school and at home to meet their educational needs. Elementary students also have Chromebooks which are kept in the classroom.

In addition, Middle/High school students may seek to participate in many other co-curricular activities such as; Archery Club, Band, Chorus, Drama, E-Sports, FabLab, FBLA, Rube Goldberg, Ski Club, and Trap Club. Also, the District is proud to have won the 2014 Division 5 State Boys Basketball Championship and the 2016 State Division 4 Softball Championship.

# Candidate Profile

## Thorp School District ❖ Superintendent Qualifications

The School District of Thorp is seeking a visionary educational leader committed to supporting the continuous improvement of learning opportunities for all students. The successful candidate will possess strong interpersonal skills and have a genuine desire to be an engaged member of the Thorp School District and community.

The successful candidate will possess/exhibit the following:

**People Skills** – An ability to build trusting, positive relationships with district staff, students, parents, the school board, and community members. An effective team-building skill set and a willingness to collaborate with all stakeholders.

**Communications Skills** – Strong listening skills and a sincere desire to ensure all voices and points of view are heard. Effective speaking and writing skills and a commitment to keeping people engaged and informed.

**Decision-making Skills** – The ability to assess opportunities and challenges, gather input from a variety of sources, and make decisions in the best interest of students.

**Leadership Skills** – The ability to establish and sustain a school culture that models and accomplishes the District's mission to create a community of goal-oriented, lifelong learners that will function as responsible and productive citizens.



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# Application Process

## ❖ Timeline ❖

Application Deadline .....	June 4, 2021
Review of Applications .....	June 7, 2021
First Round of Interviews .....	June 11, 2021
Final Round of Interviews .....	June 16, 2021
Final Selection .....	June 16, 2021
Start Date .....	July 1, 2021



**Requirements:** Candidates must hold or be eligible for a Wisconsin superintendent's license.

Read the [Application Process webpage](http://wasb.org/search-services/application-process/) (wasb.org/search-services/application-process/) to locate a *Search Services Portal: Guide for Applicants*.

All applicants for WASB superintendent searches will:

1. create an account in the WASB Search Services Portal (wasb.myrevelus.com),
2. complete the Profile, and then
3. apply to a specific district's search.

During that process, you will be asked to complete forms and upload documents.

Contact Sally at 608-512-1721 or [ssweitzer@wasb.org](mailto:ssweitzer@wasb.org) with procedural questions.

- ❖ Application deadline is June 4, 2021.
- ❖ Duties will begin on July 1, 2021.

The Thorp School District website is [www.thorp.k12.wi.us](http://www.thorp.k12.wi.us).

Interested persons are encouraged to contact Cheryl Gullicksrud, WASB Search Services Consultant: [cgullicksrud@wasb.org](mailto:cgullicksrud@wasb.org), 715-530-0121.

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