# Fort Atkinson 4K







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## Fort 4K Partnership

#### We have 6 4K community partners:

- Beautiful Beginnings
- Fort Atkinson Preschool and Daycare
- Headstart with classrooms at Purdy and Hebron
- Kids Konnection
- Parents Cooperative Preschool
- St. Joseph's Catholic School

### We work with 6 4K Directors, 9 WI DPI certified 4K teachers, and 8 4K teacher assistants:

- 4K Directors meet quarterly
- 4K teachers meet monthly for two hours for professional development

District 4K Staff include: 4K Administrator, 4K Coordinator, 4K Secretary, 2 Early Childhood Special Education Teachers, 2 Early Childhood Special Education Aides, 2 Speech-Language Pathologists, an Occupational Therapist, and a Physical Therapist.

### Fort 4K Enrollment

#### Third Friday Count

2014: 171

2013: 179

2012: 202

2011: 217

2010: 197

2009: 197

2008: 187



## Fort 4K Continuing Practices

- Creative Curriculum Play-based and developmentally appropriate curriculum
- 4-Day Shared Reading Plan- Focus on oral language and literacy development using quality children's books
- Behavior management (follow RTI): clip chart used at the elementary schools, individualized behavior management charts, behavior intervention plans
- WI Pyramid Model for Social-Emotional Development-Explicit teaching of appropriate behaviors with reinforcement of those behaviors throughout the 4K day
- Parent Outreach- Partnerships with Fort Health Care as well as offering a block party and a sensory party
- High quality Professional Development for all teachers, aides, and directors (CPI, Run Fight Hide)

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#### New for 2014-2015 in Fort 4K: Increased use of technology in the classroom

- Implementation of a SMART Board in every 4K classroom
- Created Google Accounts for each teacher and director so that a 4K Teacher Share folder could be used in Google Drive for ease of sharing materials including SMART Board materials.
- Strong collaboration among 4K teachers as they shared SMART Board: lessons, calendars, attendance pages, Everyday Math ideas, shared reading ideas, and much more.
- Professional Development for incorporating the SMART Board into Every Day Math.

### Future Directions for Fort 4K

- Continue implementing more technology into the 4K classrooms including more uses for the SMART Board, document cameras, SMART tables, and iPads.
- Review and revise Fort 4K Literacy Plan utilizing PALS and Fort 4K outcome data
- Expand Special Education services so that every family can choose a 4K site for their child.



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