

Knowledge Open 2026
Masters Knowledge Challenge Quiz – answer key
9-hole

Tee box 1

Wisconsin enacted the core framework of its current public school funding formula in 1973.

Later, modern constraints of this formula were established by the state that implemented strict revenue limits, capping how much money districts can raise per pupil.

In what school year were the modern constraints of the funding formula established?

- A. 1982-1983
- B. 1993-1994
- C. 2005-2006
- D. 2013-2014

Answer: B. 1993-1994

Tee box 2

The average U.S. public school teacher spends \$895 out of pocket on classroom and student supplies each year. The Appleton Education Foundation is launching a new program—the Educators’ Resource Fund—this fall to help lessen this burden. Four AASD schools piloted this program during the 2025-26 school year. What were the top ordered items?

- A. Snacks, dry-erase markers, pens
- B. Organizing bins, batteries, snacks
- C. Sticky notes, calculators, composition notebooks
- D. Wet-erase markers, packs of graph paper, pens

Answer: A. Snacks, dry-erase markers, pens

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Tee box 3

The Appleton Area School District passed an operational referendum on April 7, 2026. How many more "yes" votes did the district receive than "no" votes?

- A. 515
- B. 2,076
- C. 5,013
- D. 8,095

Answer: D. 8,095

Tee box 4

In 2025, how many library cards did the newly renovated Appleton Public Library issue, replace or renew?

- A. 20,915
- B. 25,915
- C. 30,915
- D. 40,915

Answer: C. 30,915

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Tee box 5

A recent Appleton Education Foundation grant funded dramatic play prop boxes that rotate among Appleton Community 4K classrooms. Each year, more than 700 students will have equitable opportunities to participate in play-based learning with props representing a café, campsite, doctor's office, and other places. During the 2025-26 school year, what percentage of 4K teachers reported their students exhibited enhanced peer-to-peer engagement due to the use of the dramatic play prop boxes?

- A. 65%
- B. 78%
- C. 89%
- D. 100%

Answer: D. 100%

Tee box 6

How many elevators does the Appleton Area School District own and operate?

- A. 24
- B. 26
- C. 29
- D. 32

Answer: C. 29 (There are 29 elevators in 24 buildings.)

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Tee box 7

Thirty students from Appleton North, East, and West compete in the Fox Valley Association Adapted Sports League, giving students with disabilities a unique chance to be part of high school varsity athletics. Sports include soccer, field hockey, and indoor baseball (wiffleball). Oshkosh West, Oshkosh North, and Hortonville also compete. This school went undefeated in both soccer and field hockey this past season.

- A. Appleton North
- B. Appleton East
- C. Oshkosh West
- D. Appleton West

Answer: A. Appleton North

Tee box 8

How much did Appleton Education Foundation award in grants and scholarships during the 2025 calendar year?

- A. \$265,000
- B. \$325,000
- C. \$386,000
- D. \$409,000

Answer: D. \$409,000

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Tee box 9

How many miles do Lamers Bus Line buses cover in a single day to pick up and drop off Appleton Area School District students?

- A. 450 miles
- B. 2,500 miles
- C. 3,250 miles
- D. 4,500 miles

Answer: D. 4,500 miles

19th Hole

Appleton Education Foundation will turn 30 years old in 2027! The Foundation has benefited from strong volunteer board members. The following individuals all served on the founding board of directors in 1997. Who served as AEF's first board president?

- A. Tom Boldt
- B. Jeff Riester
- C. Paul Hoffman
- D. Dr. John E. Mielke

Answer: B. Jeff Riester

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