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## Correspondence Memorandum

**Date:** February 7, 2024

**To:** Employee Trust Funds Board

From: Alene Kleczek, Director

Division of Benefit Administration

**Subject:** Employers that Joined the Wisconsin Retirement System in 2024

This memo is for informational purposes only. No Board action is required.

Each year, there are public employers who resolve to join the Wisconsin Retirement System (WRS). In 2024, 32 employers either joined the WRS, added a group of employees to the WRS, or merged with another employer covering 145 new WRS eligible employees as of now. (See Table 1 for details.) Compared to 21 employers covering 151 new employees joining in 2023, the WRS continues to grow.

New employers typically join the WRS effective the first day of the year. The most notable exceptions are state agencies created by legislation, which are typically created mid-year. Included in this annual listing of new employers are those that, in compliance with state law, covered protective occupation employees or teachers but did not resolve to provide WRS coverage to other employees until now.

Table 1. 2024 New WRS Employers

Name of Employer	Number of Current WRS Eligible Employees <sup>1</sup>
Auburndale, Village of	2
Barneveld Brigham Fire-Rescue District	1
Brule, Town of	1
Chilton, Town of	2
Christiana, Town of	1
Dane, Town of	1
Delafield, Town of	6

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The employee count only includes the employees for that employer who met WRS eligibility criteria at the time the employer joined the WRS. Therefore, that number is subject to change.

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Name of Employer	Number of Current WRS Eligible Employees <sup>1</sup>
Ellenboro, Town of	1
Ettrick, Town of	2
Genoa, Town of	1
Genoa, Village of	4
Ironton, Town of	1
La Grange, Town of	1
Lyndon Station, Village of	2
Milton, Town of	1
Milwaukee Metro Sewerage District <sup>1</sup>	3
Milwaukee Public School District <sup>1 2</sup>	18
Milwaukee, City of <sup>1</sup>	66
New Auburn, Village of	1
North Lake School District <sup>2</sup>	9
Norwalk, Village of	4
Platteville, Town of	1
Polk County Housing Authority	1
Preston, Town of	1
Ridgeway, Village of	4
Sampson, Town of	1
Schleswig, Town of	2
Sioux Creek, Town of	2
Stanfold, Town of	1
Troy, Town of	1
Winchester, Town of	1
Wisconsin Center District <sup>1</sup>	2
Total Employee Count (WRS eligible)	145

Staff will be at the Board meeting to answer any questions.

 $^2$  Teachers were already in the WRS. The employer added educational support staff as of January 1, 2024.