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9th Grade Girls <u>(8th Grade in 2021-2022)</u>	8th Grade Girls <u>(7th Grade in 2021-2022)</u>	7th Grade Girls <u>(6th Grade in 2021-2022)</u>	6th Grade Girls <u>(5th Grade in 2021-2022)</u>
1. Fall Creek	1. McDonell Central	1. Hudson	1. Mosinee Purple
2. La Crosse Central	2. Tomah	2. Fall Creek	2. Pacelli Hoyas
3. Wisconsin Dells	3. Onalaska Suns	3. Eau Claire Eagles Purple	3. Eau Claire Eagles
4. St. Croix Central White	4. Neillsville	4. Onalaska Suns	4. Hudson
5. Hudson White	5. Pacelli	5. Luther	5. McDonell Central
6. Auburndale	6. Arcadia	6. Mosinee	6. Columbus Catholic Navy
7. Neillsville	7. La Crosse Logan	7. Holmen Maroon	7. Cadott
8. Eau Claire Eagles Purple	8. Eau Claire Eagles	8. Solon Springs	8. Bloomer
9. Altoona	9. Rice Lake	9. Aquinas	9. Cameron
10. Prescott	10. St. Croix Falls	10. Sparta	10. Cloquet
11. Holmen Lightning	11. Superior	11. Boyceville	11. Sparta Red
12. McDonell Central	12. Auburndale	12. Adams-Friendship	12. Durand
13. West Salem	13. Bangor	13. Colfax	13. Poynette
14. Bangor	14. St. Croix Central Blue	14. Amherst	14. Elk Mound
15. Mosinee	15. Bloomer	15. Eau Claire Volunteers	15. Fall Creek
16. Stevens Point Black	16. Winona	16. West Salem	16. Colfax
17. Eau Claire Volunteers Blue	17. Durand	17. New Richmond	17. Eau Claire Volunteers Black
18. Ironwood-Hurley	18. Aquinas	18. Gale-Ettrick-Trempealeau	18. St. Croix Central White
19. Medford	19. Wisconsin Rapids Lincoln	19. St. Croix Falls	19. Duluth East
20. Pacelli	20. Stevens Point	20. Osceola Green	20. New Richmond
21. Melrose-Mindoro	21. La Crosse Central	21. Amery	21. Ellsworth
22. Stratford	22. Wausau West	22. Chippewa Falls Flight Red	22. La Crescent
23. Elk Mound	23. New Richmond	23. Neillsville	23. Menomonie
24. Bloomer	24. Medford	24. Somerset	24. Grantsburg
25. Stevens Point Red	25. Eau Claire Shamrocks		25. Esko
26. Colfax	26. Eau Claire Volunteers		26. Chippewa Falls Flight Red
27. La Crosse Logan	27. Cochrane-Fountain City		27. Northwestern
28. Rhinelander	28. Baldwin-Woodville		28. Iola-Scandinavia
29. Baldwin-Woodville	29. Marathon		29. Rice Lake
30. Sparta	30. Prescott		30. Medford
31. Eau Claire Shamrocks	31. Merrill		31. Wausau West
32. River Falls Blue	32. Cameron		32. Onalaska Suns

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1. River Falls Gold	1. Tomah Gold	1. Onalaska Royals	1. Cadott
2. Cochrane-Fountain City	2. Fall Creek Black	2. La Crosse Logan Red	2. Onalaska Royals
3. West Salem Black	3. Holmen Maroon	3. Eau Claire Huskies Blue	3. Ellsworth
4. Eau Claire Huskies Blue	4. Aquinas	4. Aquinas	4. Cameron White
5. D. C. Everest Green	5. McDonell Central	5. Eau Claire Eagles Purple	5. Eau Claire Shamrocks
6. Onalaska Royals	6. La Crosse Central Red	6. Altoona Black	6. Sparta Red
7. New Richmond	7. Iola-Scandinavia	7. Holmen Maroon	7. Luther Black
8. Eau Claire Eagles Purple	8. West Salem Black	8. Mondovi	8. Holmen Maroon
9. Hudson White	9. Westby White	9. Medford	9. Altoona Black
10. Marshfield White	10. Columbus Catholic	10. Chippewa Falls Hoops Red	10. Columbus Catholic
11. McDonell Central	11. Prescott Red	11. Wisconsin Rapids Lincoln	11. Superior
12. La Crosse Central Red	12. Onalaska Royals	12. Gale-Ettrick-Trempealeau	12. Bloomer
13. Eau Claire Kings	13. Altoona Black	13. Marshfield White	13. Chippewa Falls Hoops Red
14. St. Croix Central	14. Marshfield Black	14. La Crosse Central Red	14. Fall Creek
15. Wisconsin Rapids Lincoln	15. River Falls Gold	15. Mosinee	15. Eau Claire Huskies Blue
16. Superior	16. Eau Claire Eagles Purple	16. Columbus Catholic	16. Eau Claire Eagles Purple
17. Mosinee	17. Eau Claire Shamrocks	17. McDonell Central	17. Westby
18. Assumption-Almond-Bancroft	18. Menomonie Maroon	18. New Richmond Black	18. Gale-Ettrick-Trempealeau Red
19. Northwestern Black	19. Superior	19. St. Croix Central Blue	19. La Crosse Logan Red
20. Holmen Maroon	20. Sparta Red	20. Menomonie Maroon	20. West Salem Black
21. Esko	21. Eau Claire Huskies Blue	21. West Salem Black	21. La Crosse Central Red
22. Columbus Catholic Navy	22. Osseo-Fairchild	22. Westby	22. Bangor
23. Wittenberg-Biramwood	23. Chippewa Falls Hoops Red	23. St. Croix Prep	23. Wisconsin Rapids Lincoln Red
24. Ellsworth	24. Gale-Ettrick-Trempealeau Red	24. Fall Creek	24. St. Croix Central
25. Marathon	25. Winona	25. Luther Black	25. Mauston
26. Altoona Black	26. Mosinee	26. Esko	26. Wisconsin Dells
27. Sparta Red	27. Wisconsin Rapids Lincoln	27. Melrose-Mindoro	27. Marshfield Black
28. Rib Lake	28. Black River Falls-Blair-Taylor	28. Elk Mound Black	28. Hermantown
29. Tomah	29. Elk Mound	29. Cochrane-Fountain City	29. Aquinas Gold
30. Stratford Black	30. Whitehall	30. Eau Claire Shamrocks White	30. Menomonie Maroon
31. Rice Lake	31. St. Croix Central Blue	31. Baldwin-Woodville Black	31. Baldwin-Woodville Black
32. Barron	32. La Crosse Logan	32. Hayward	32. La Crescent