

# Grosse Ile

## Welcome Home!

Although our community was deeded in 1776, Grosse Ile is still something of a secret to fast-paced mainlanders. The island is home to more than 10,000 residents who believe this small town is the perfect place to live, raise a family, work, recreate or just relax.

Savor the many natural wonders which this island community uniquely offers in the heart of the Detroit River International Wildlife Refuge and on the south side of suburban Detroit. Grosse Ile is conveniently located within an easy commute of downtown Detroit, Oakland County, Monroe and Metro Airport.

Whether you measure success in terms of a gorgeous water-wonderland atmosphere, a host of charming neighborhoods, or the excellence of schools, public safety or community spirit, Grosse Ile will become even better — if you come visit and perhaps even decide to stay.

## Island Lifestyle and Recreation

What makes a community desirable? We believe the answer is found in the things *you enjoy doing*.

For most, family oriented recreation and activities are important. Certainly they are here on Grosse Ile. Islanders enjoy playing golf; boating and sailing; biking along the river; jogging or walking on tree-covered paths; playing tennis year round; supporting robust youth sports leagues; attending community festivals; or simply taking pleasure in relaxing to the sounds of local musical talent in a beautiful garden retreat.



The historic Grosse Ile Bridge Toll Bridge and the Wayne County Bridge provide 24/7 access between the mainland and the island.



The Bishops Cottage Bed & Breakfast is a popular summer entertainment spot. It's located within the Macomb St. Business District.

If it's your desire to live in a tranquil community with abundant natural beauty, a wide range of amenities, activities for the whole family, a top-ranked schools system and suburban convenience, then you should discover Grosse Ile.

## Grosse Ile Township Schools

For your children or grandchildren, Grosse Ile really is also an outstanding choice. The schools are not only rated among the best in Michigan, they also provide superior learning experiences in the fine arts and sports of all kinds — football, baseball, basketball, soccer, hockey, tennis, track and field, cross country, rowing, or swimming. Name your recreational activity or sport. You'll find it here, at home, on Grosse Ile.


The Grosse Ile Township Schools District is a top 10 district in Michigan. We have an exemplary legacy of providing quality education experiences. Our schools are consistently rated A+ on the Michigan School Report Card.

We also have a commendable record of high achievement; with a large percentage of high school students involved with Advanced Placement classes and/or earning college credit. Over 96% of our graduates go on to higher education opportunities and over 70% of our students in grades 6-12 participate in a variety of extra-curricular experiences. In 2008, 80% of graduates received Michigan Merit Awards, worth \$4,000 each. In total, more than \$1.55 million were earned in 215 scholarships. And, Grosse Ile students consistently earn recognition as National Merit Scholar finalists.

Importantly, the Grosse Ile Township Schools District is among a select group of U.S. public schools systems that have been approved by the U.S. Immigration and Customs Service to instruct foreign students. Our newly implemented Chinese Student Exchange program is unique in the State of Michigan.



Grosse Ile is listed among the top 40  
**Best Places to Live** in the **USA**  
Money Magazine



*"We decided to move here because of the rural nature of Grosse Ile. Open spaces; schools are excellent; it's surreal when you cross the bridge and come home. We chose a home in the center of the island so that we could walk downtown with the kids and over to Centennial Farm, where the horses are, and to the middle and high schools if we wanted."*

*Carrie & Jason Mihalko*

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*to Grosse Ile, Michigan*

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