

What is a Lab School...

Staff development is built on the premise that when teachers are trained and staff developed, they implement comprehension strategies with fidelity.

With the guidance of nationally known comprehension expert Stephanie Harvey, model lab teachers have been trained to demonstrate effective comprehension instruction within an active learning environment.

Participant teachers will observe Wilson lab classrooms and then return to their buildings to share these ideas with their colleagues.

Schools across Wisconsin are invited to visit and observe the Wilson Model Lab School.



WA-WM Mission Statement

The mission of the School District of West Allis-West Milwaukee, et al, in partnership with family and community, is to provide challenging curriculum and engaging instruction so that every student may attain academic success.



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You're Invited to Visit...



**The Wilson
Elementary
Model Lab
School**

Who We Are...

Wilson Elementary School is home to 456 outstanding students ranging in grades from 4K to 5th grade. Our school is part of the state SAGE program which guarantees class size of eighteen students in grades K5 - 3. The SAGE program provides a strong foundation for the intermediate grade levels.

- 27% minority
- 63% free/reduced lunch
- 13% special education
- 4% limited English proficiency

Awards

- Nationally recognized by the US Department of Education as a Blue Ribbon School (2008)
- Five consecutive Wisconsin School of Recognition Awards (2007-2011)



What We Do...

- Balanced Literacy Model
- Inquiry Studies incorporating science and social studies topics
- Collaboration
 - Daily/Weekly
 - Grade Levels
 - Vertical Teams
- Data Analysis to personalize learning
- Professional Development focusing on best instructional practices
- Personalized learning anywhere anytime; one-on-one; small group; whole group



What is Balanced Literacy...

- Guided Reading and Writing
- Shared Reading and Writing
- Independent Reading and Writing
- Interactive Reading and Writing
- Word Study
- Listening and Speaking
- Read-Alouds
- Assessment

Sample Schedule

Integrated Literacy

-Shared reading

-Daily 5

- guided reading

- Reading Writing focus lessons

- Conversation / Collaboration and Sharing Circle

Writing

-Shared writing

-Guided Reading and Writing conferences

OR

Science/Soc Studies

-Explicit content instruction

-Active student engagement

-Shared writing