

# Why choose Wilson?

Choosing an elementary school can be an arduous process for any parent as it marks the beginning of their child's formal education. The Denton Independent School District and the staff at Wilson Elementary hope to alleviate that burden with a group of top-notch teachers and experienced professionals.

The school was built in 1960 and is one of the oldest and most established schools in Denton ISD. The school is named after former U.S. President Woodrow Wilson on the suggestion of Miss Nette Schultz, who donated the land on which the school was built. The staff at Wilson Elementary would love the opportunity to build your child's educational foundation and nurture their development as they continue to grow.

## Here's why:

### Educational success

- A Title I bilingual campus that has earned Exemplary status by the Texas Education Agency five times (2008, 2002, 2001, 2000, 1999) and earned Recognized status in 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007 and 2009
- Ninety three percent of all students taking the Texas Assessment of Knowledge and Skills test passed the reading, writing, science and math portions in 2009
- All students taking the TAKS test posted an increase in every portion of the test from 2008
- Received national acclaim as a Distinguished Title I campus by the No Child Left Behind program in 2009
- Received national recognition by the National Center for Educational Achievement for exceptional marks in student growth and college/career readiness in science in 2009

#### Student involvement

- Student Leadership Team allows students to perform tasks throughout campus like maintain the marquee and raising the flags
- Reading Counts program encourages independent reading and increases vocabulary while allowing students to earn rewards
- Student-operated computer technology recycling program has allowed classrooms to purchase digital cameras
- A diverse group of extracurricular activities including: chess club, math club, science club, guitar club and choir

## **Bond with community**

- Established the first dual-language program in the district, allowing school staff to connect better with students and parents while also opening up new communication avenues
- Mentorship program allows community leaders to serve as role models
- Partnership with nearby Texas Woman's University allows play therapy at school for children in need

### Connection with parents

- Large and busy Parent Teacher Association raises funds and keeps the community involved with the annual fall carnival, science fair and Mustang Breakout Celebration
- Parents and volunteers logged more than 15,000 hours to assist students
- Campus Leadership Team is a group of parents and staff that meet monthly to advise principal on school issues
- Offers Extended School Day program which uses educational techniques to keep students active and having fun after the regular school day ends as an assistance to busy parents/guardians