

Why Attend Woodrow Wilson...

WW is one of Denton I. S.D 's oldest campuses. The school opened in 1960 and will be 50 years old in the 2010-2011 school year. We have many second generation Mustangs represented at WW.

WW is nestled in between two city parks, Nette Schultz and Avondale.

The land WW sits on was donated by Mrs. Nette Schultz and she wanted the school named after her favorite President Thomas Woodrow Wilson.

WW has only had 5 principals Mr. Spratt, Dr. DeHart, Mr. Key, Mr. Stevenson, and Mrs. Staniszewski in its 50 year history.

WW is DISD's only five time Exemplary Campus earning the award in 1998-99, 1999-00, 2000-01, 2001-02, 2007-08.

WW has been named a Recognized Campus four times earning the award in 2003-04, 2004-05, 2005-06, 2006-07.

WW has been recognized by *TBEC* and *Just for the Kids Foundation* twice in 2004 and 2008.

In 2004, *D Magazine* named WW a Top 100 Elementary School in the Dallas Metroplex.

In 2008-09 WW was recognized as a Distinguished Title One Campus by the No Child Left Behind Program Division .

WW has received many Gold Acknowledgements in the following areas: reading, writing, science, math, attendance, and improvement in reading.

WW has received grants and monetary rewards from Denton Public School Foundation, Keep Denton Beautiful, Dairy Max, and City of Denton Recycling.

WW has applied for a 21st Century Grant to provide Community in Schools Extended day services for the 2009-2010 school-year. Tutoring, enrichment, and structured activities will be made available to 130 students.

In 2002 WW became a Bilingual Campus. On October 22, 2008 the Texas Association of Bilingual Educators recognized Wilson for promoting bi-literacy through implementation of our dual language program.

In 2003 WW became a Title One Campus and our title monies allowed us to provide a full time math specialist and a full time reading interventionist for third-fifth grade.

In 2006 WW began the first Dual Language Program in Denton offering a two-way immersion program. Our initial classes are now second graders.

WW uses Reading Counts to encourage independent student reading and Study Island to support independent (3-5 grades) TAKS practice. Students earn awards and an invitation to an ice cream party. 512 students have attended the ice cream party in the 2007-08 school-year.

WW's *Diane West Library* has 16899 resources available for circulation, with the average book age being 17 years. Individual donations to purchase new books are always welcomed.

The WW *Diane West Library* is no longer in the special areas rotation. This allows for increased student use of research, projects, technology, and library circulation. Our circulation this year to date is 26, 859 which is up 18% from the same period last year.

WW collects used ink cartridges for points by our computer tech. Classroom digital cameras have been purchased through this program.

WW All Star Choir is the only DISD school choir that has been named a TMEA Honor Choir twice under the same director, Mrs. Cecile Johnson.

WW's music specialist directs two student run presentations for second and fourth grade. The show themes are tied to grade level curriculum.

WW has the first Ballet Folkloric Dance Troupe in Denton I. S. D. They appear throughout the community.

WW has a site based decision team called a Campus Leadership Team. Staff, parents, and community members meet monthly to advise the principal.

WW was the first school in the district to actively seek inclusion opportunities for self contained special education classes. Wilson provides a full range of services for identified special education services that include: K-5 Life skills classrooms, Inclusion, speech, Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy, Adapted PE, and a part time Licensed Specialist in School Psychology. Some of our students participate in the TWU Adapted Swim Program.

WW provides Reading Recovery, DLL, STAR, and Dyslexia reading intervention programs.

Wilson has a full time licensed school counselor and partners with Texas Woman's University to provide play therapy.

WW has an active and busy Parent Teacher Association. The board meets monthly, and meetings are held throughout the year. Their fundraising efforts including hosting a large Fall Family Carnival and this has allowed them to avoid direct or brochure sales.

WW PTA hosts a *Mustang Breakout Celebration* at the end of the year at Nette Schultz Park for all current students.

WW PTA hosts and organizes the WW Science Fair.

WW staff provides a club time for fourth and fifth graders that include time for the All Star Choir, Guitar, Chess, and Success groups.

WW Broadcast Team makes announcements on B days throughout the year using our cable TV access.

WW TIE team is a student led organization to make WW staff and students aware of being good stewards of our environment.

WW Student Leadership Team, are selected students who daily greet, put up the flag, and say the *Pledge of Allegiance*.

WW has participated in the DISD Track Meet since it's inception and has come in first , 8 out of the 13 times the event has been held.

WW Physical Education Teachers host a Spring Field Day that allows all students to participate.

WW has 65 students who are involved in a mentoring program with school staff and community members.

Selected WW Fifth Grade students are selected to participate in an afterschool Gals and Guys Math and Science Club. Participating students have their way paid to the overnight Fossil Rim trip.

WW fifth grade students may elect to attend an overnight Museum trip and an overnight trip to Fossil Rim.

WW maintains two Outdoor Gardens at the school cared for by our third, fourth and fifth grade students.

Our student regularly benefit from using two computer labs, computers in the classroom, Alphasmarts, and document cameras in all classrooms. Our next technology goal is to purchase class Mobi boards.

Our music specialist directs an All School Holiday Sing, where each child (PK-5) has an opportunity to perform and participate.

Our head custodian, Glen Gulley has been with us for 22 years. He coaches two Denton Youth Basketball Teams. His 10 and under and 8 and under Boys Teams were city champs in 2009.

Selected Members of the WW All Star Choir have been selected for membership in the OAKE National Choir, Metroplex Honor Choir, and the DISD 5th Honor Choir.

In 2009-10 WW will begin planning and construction on our 8th renovation. Wilson will add a science lab.

WW students and staff participate in many service projects. A toy and can food drive, a penny drive, The Empty Bowls project, Third Grade Recycling Project, Secret Santas, and Relay for Life. This year we were awarded the *Great American Cleanup Superstar Award* for having the largest volunteer group working on March 7, 2009.

WW emphasizes good character, making good choices, and personal responsibility through our Character Counts Program. Monthly grade level celebrations are hosted by our school counselor to recognize student birthdays, perfect attendance, honor roll, and outstanding citizens.

The WW Diane West Library collects Boxtops for Education. This year WW received a check for \$1400.

WW PTA hosts the Scholastic Book Fair to promote literacy at home each year.

WW hosts a week long Career Fair in January. Invited community members come to be guest speakers.

Our Ballet Folklorico Troupe host a Fajita Sale and sponsor a school wide Mother's Poetry Contest.

In 2003, The ARC of Denton County recognized our principal, Audrey Staniszewski as "Educator/Administrator of the Year."

In 2008, The ARC of Denton County recognized Robin Moore as "Teacher of the Year."

In 2009, The ARC of Denton County recognized, Robin Moore, Danitra Donaldson, Mary Ann Lira, and Jill Trahan recognized as "Special Education Team of the Year."