



Willows Intermediate School

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“Every Student-Every Day”

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Mission: Willows Intermediate School (WIS) will strive for the reality of being a true ***school of achievement***. It is the desire of our school community to provide a **safe** and enriched student learning environment where each student can realize his/her full academic potential, develop his/her individual talents and abilities, develop **respect** for self and others, and become an involved, **responsible** citizen.

Collective Commitments:

- ★ We commit to **trusting** one another as we work together to support, inspire, and successfully advance the education of every student.
- ★ We commit to a **collaborative culture** in education that values respect, accountability, and vulnerability as we work together to support the growth and success of all students.
- ★ We commit to **approaching new practices** with an open mind as educators, embracing continuous learning and growth to better serve all students.

Board Report:

- Held a 9/11 Remembrance Assembly on September 11th. This was attended by our whole school. Emergency Response Team Members from the community attended and facilitated a wonderful assembly. Our school band also performed.
- On 9.9.26 our Solution Tree Coach (Brandon) returned and met with our teachers and I. For most teams our focus was on creating Common Formative Assessments which targets essential standards being taught. The next step for our teams include looking over the data and deciding on next steps (re-teach, enrichment, small groups, etc.) Our next meeting with Brandon is scheduled for October 20th.
- The Guiding Coalition Team met on September 15th. Our focus has been on increasing opportunities for speaking in class. We have agreed as a school to monitor student speaking and incorporate a speaking assessment that will be graded by a rubric (0,1,2). This focus supports all students including our EL students and students with an IEP. In our next meeting (October 20th) we plan to spend some time coming up with ideas on positive incentives. We want to reward our students for attendance, CAASPP test scores, minimal referrals and more.
- Volleyball season has concluded. We are still in soccer season. Girls Basketball Tryouts began on Monday (10.5.26).
- Behaviors- We had a rough stretch with student behaviors last month. Mr. Huntley and I have met with several parents on more than one occasion. Utilizing our Wellness Coach and constant communication with home are ways we are trying to change student behavior. Much of the challenges stems from social media and issues that began outside of school.
- Shout to my office staff (Mariana, Mikayla, Xochitl, Mark and Raina)! They have been amazing this year with managing their duties as well as providing excellent

customer service to anyone who walks through the door. The ladies attitude of "How can I help," is a perfect match for our campus vibe.

- We started the school year with 426 students. We currently have 426 students. The most we have had this year is 430 students (8.24.26/ 8.28.26)
We have 221 boys and 204 girls.
 - 5th grade- 97 students
 - 6th grade- 95 students
 - 7th grade- 131 students
 - 8th grade- 103 students