WHO WE ARE

Williams Elementary is a very special rural school, where we are able to get to know each and every student very well. We see our school as an extension of the home, in the sense that we are part of helping students learn and grow so that they may fly as high and as far as they choose when they become young adults.

Our teachers believe their relationship with each student is fundamentally the most important aspect of schooling, and our teachers and staff care deeply about their students!

At Williams, we read early and we read often. Reading is fundamental to learning, and it is an important skill in life, so we have a strong focus on developing reading skills early at Williams.

We believe in teaching academic skills kindergarten through fifth grade, and do so with an eye on what is appropriate in terms of our students' development. We are fortunate our curriculums contain an abundance of activities that make learning fun for our students.

Our students have the opportunity to learn to use computer programs and develop keyboarding skills. some schools delay these lessons until later, but we believe the more technologically skilled our students are at using these tools, the better chance they have at success down the road.

At Williams Elementary School, teachers teach what we call "split curriculum" blended classes. This enables our teachers to get to know their students very well because students are with each of their teachers for two years. Knowing how students learn is key to teaching them in the most effective way.

We believe in rewarding students for positive behavior which in turn teaches students life skills that will follow them throughout their school years and beyond the classroom. Our aim is to reteach students to make better choices and help students learn and grow. Modeling positive life skills help create a positive environment where students feel safe and cared for and where they can develop behavioral skills they will use the rest of their lives.

Best of all, we are a school where kids don't fall through cracks, where parents have an important voice, and where we try everyday to live up to our motto: Williams Elementary - <u>Our School, Our Family, Our Community</u> Please give us a try, join our family and you will discover the Williams Elementary School difference!

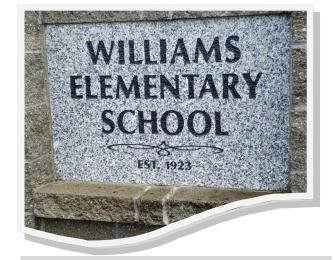




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OUR SCHOOL OUR FAMILY OUR COMMUNITY









Strings: Violin and Guitar

Because Music.....

- Develops skills needed by the 21st Century workforce: critical and analytical thinking, creative problem solving, effective communication, teamwork, and more.
- Keeps students engaged in school and less likely to drop out.
- Improves the atmosphere for learning.
- Helps students achieve in other academic subjects like math, science, and reading.
- Is a disciplined human endeavor with intrinsic value to society.
- Provides students with the opportunity to:

Express themselves in verbal and non verbal ways.

Appreciate diverse perspectives, openness and flexibility in thinking.

Develop a high level of self-awareness and self-confidence.

Take risks and solve problems creatively.

Develop a rich and healthy sense of beauty and imagination.

The Benefits to the Brain: Cognitive Development



Community School Garden



Growing minds trains individuals to establish farm to school gardens and to integrate gardening into school curriculum. We emphasize how to sustain a garden program by involving community partners, such as parents, farmers, and agricultural professionals.

Students will eat what they grow! School gardens are an excellent tool for experiential learning and nutrition education.

