

Statement of Purpose

WLC Mission

WLC will strive to be a positive learning community that ensures each student has the opportunity to develop to his or her potential.

We believe all children learn at different individual rates and times and under different teaching and learning situations. We bring the family, school and community together to be accountable for the cognitive, affective and physical growth of our students. We work together to help them become creative, future-oriented problem solvers who will take responsibility for their education, live and learn in harmony, and be involved in their school and their community.

WLC Expectations

Social & Civic Expectations

- Understand and respect diverse cultures.
- Act ethically and responsibly in school and the community at large.
- Make responsible decisions about their physical and mental well-being.

Academic Expectations

- Read, write and speak effectively as a means of discovering and clarifying ideas.
- Use higher level thinking skills to analyze, synthesize, evaluate, draw conclusions and problem solve.
- Understand and apply basic math skills related to measurement, use of formulas, and aspects of personal finance.
- Use and apply technology.
- Develop an awareness and understanding of the arts.

WLC Middle School Goals

With the support of parents, school staff and the community, the educational environment of WLC Middle School will be responsive to the specific needs of students in the area of personal skills and attitudes as they continue to:

- Develop a positive self image
- Make sound personal decisions
- Develop desirable attitudes toward work and study
- Learn how to make sound decisions about careers, about spending money and saving, about the use of media, and about other important personal issues
- Develop special interests and leisure.

With the support of parents, school staff and the community, the educational environment of WLC Middle School will be responsive to the specific needs of students in the area of interpersonal skills and attitudes as they continue to:

- Learn how to work independently and cooperatively with others
- Treat others with respect, regardless of race, sex or ethnic identity
- Develop the attitude of responsible citizenship

- Value his or her own ethnic identity and respect the contributions of other ethnic groups
- Learn how to be a contributing member of the family, school and community
- Develop a concern for humanity and an appreciation of global interdependence.

With the support of parents, school staff and the community, the educational environment of WLC Middle School will be responsive to the specific needs of students in the area of critical thinking and creative expression as they continue to:

- Learn how to think critically and solve problems creatively
- Use a multimedia approach to learn how to express ideas and images creatively in words, sound, music, fabric, color, wood and other media.

With the support of parents, school staff and the community, the educational environment of WLC Middle School will be responsive to the specific needs of students in the area of learning skills as they continue to:

- Read with understanding and with critical judgment
- Speak and listen well
- Write clearly and effectively
- Develop a strong foundation of research and study skills
- Use mathematical problem-solving processes
- Reason logically and think critically
- Use the computer to solve problems and compose
- Develop a spirit of inquiry and become independent and self-confident learners.

With the support of parents, school staff and the community, the WLC Middle School students will achieve curriculum goals in the area of basic academic concepts and skills in:

- Language, Arts, Reading and Social Studies
- Mathematics, Science and Computer Literacy
- The Arts: fine arts, music, technology, life skills, and world language.

With the support of parents, school staff and the community, the educational environment of WLC Middle School will be responsive to the specific needs of students in the area of health and physical education as they continue to:

- Understand the nature and importance of physical and mental health
- Develop physical fitness and recreation skills.