



Milwaukee Sign Language School

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Principal: Suzanne Gahan
Board Member: Mark Sain
Region: Northwest
Grades: K4-8
Hours of Instruction: 7:35 AM - 2:35 PM
<http://www5.milwaukee.k12.wi.us/school/msls>

School Description

Milwaukee Sign Language School brings together hearing, deaf, and hard of hearing children in a supportive environment. In addition to a regular elementary curriculum, all students receive instruction in American Sign Language. A bilingual, bicultural climate exists throughout our program. Our citywide program is available only to children who are deaf or hard of hearing and their siblings. We have been chosen as one of ten MPS GE Foundation Demonstration Schools, an honor that provides the school with additional teacher support in literacy, math and cultural competency. This support will improve student achievement through innovative and stronger implementation of the rigorous Common Core State Standards.

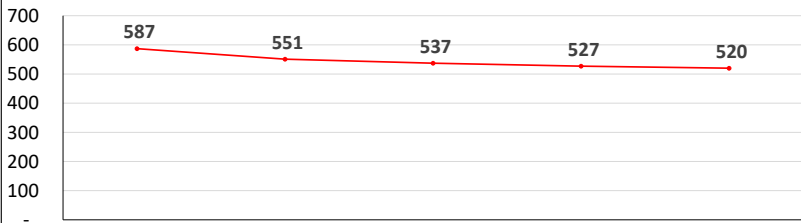
Points of School Pride

- GE show school for CKLA. Have had teams come in to view how our teachers do CKLA in their classrooms.
- Early Literacy has increased by over 150 percent based on the winter STAR data.
- PBIS tier 2 interventions have been implemented with fidelity and show a 80 percent success rate.
- School culture is one of respect and pride

School Programs

Innovative approaches to literacy, Project Lead the Way, Achievement Gap Reduction (AGR), GE Foundation school, parent resource center, Parent Teacher Organization, health initiative, after school athletics / sports (i.e., intramurals), Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, sports, student governance council, Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS), Response to Intervention (RtI), college and university partnerships, English as a second language, honors courses, National Honor Society, orchestra, robotics, School to Work Transition Program

Enrollment and Staffing

2017-18 Student Enrollment Data		Enrollment Information				
K3 Enrollment:	0					
Total Enrollment:	520					
Building Capacity:	624					
2017-18 School Staffing		Actual	Actual	Actual	Actual	Projected
Total Administration FTEs:	2.0	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Total Teacher FTEs:	43.8					
Total Support FTEs:	24					