

NORTH WOODS ELEMENTARY

SCHOOL PROFILE

Evidence of Success

November 2019

Leadership:

Administrative Staff:

Sandy Brauer, Principal
Kelsie Bolstad, Administrative Assistant

Key Committees:

Attributes Leadership Team (PBIS), Pedagogical Leaders Team (Team Leaders), Essential Agreements Leadership Team (Climate), Spanish Leadership Team, SPED Team, Student Management Team, Benchmark Management Team, 21st Century After School Club, Grade Level PLC's, Grade Level Meetings, Behavior Leadership Team, Check-in Check-out (CICO) Team

School Day/Learning Time:

Hours: 8:35 – 3:15 PM

Before-School Hours:

- 6:30-8:10 AM Surround Care

After-School Hours:

- 3:30-5:00 PM 21st Century After School Club
- 3:05-6:00 PM Surround Care
- 3:15-5:00 PM for various co-curricular clubs

Staff:

Certified Staff = 27.9 FTE

Teacher Assistants = 13 FTE

Grade - Number of Sections

Preschool	- 2	3	- 3
K	- 4	4	- 1
1	- 4	4/5	- 2
2	- 4	5	- 1

School Information

Source: WI DPI 2018-2019 School Report Card

Grades	4K-5
Enrollment	343

Race/Ethnicity

American Indian or Alaska Native	0.3%
Asian	16.3%
Black or African American	5.2%
Hispanic	8.5%
White non-Hispanic	58.9%
Two or more races	10.8%

Student Groups

Students with Disabilities	12.2%
Economically Disadvantaged	51.3%
Limited English Proficient	13.4%

Additional data available at:

<http://wisedash.dpi.wi.gov/Dashboard/portalHome.jsp>

School Programs:

HPL Programming, Title I reading and math instruction, ELL (English Language Learners), 21st Century After School Program, Immersion and Global Strands, 5th Grade Leaders, 4-year-old Preschool, Deaf and Hard of Hearing, EBD (Integrated & Self Contained), Amity Intern Program, Student Council, IB Candidate School

District Mission (E1):

Students will discover their talents and abilities and will be prepared to pursue their dreams and aspirations while contributing effectively to their local, national, and global communities.

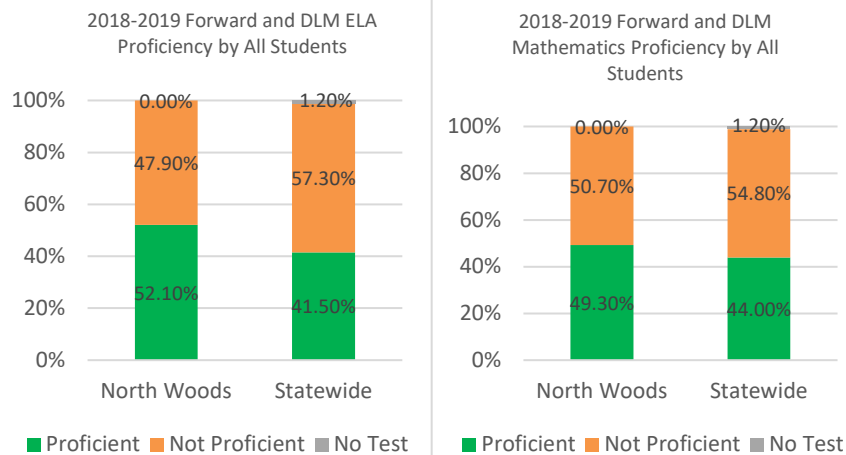
Unique School Programs/Accomplishments

Things We're Most Proud of:

- Herb Kohl Fellowship Award totaling \$21,000 of grant awards - Sarah Kratt 2016, Tara Schuttenhelm 2017, Heather Stern 2018, Kate Hooper 2019
- Partnership with Trust Point Financial
- International Baccalaureate (IB) application approved as a PYP Candidate school
- North Woods International school overall DPI School Report Card score - Exceeds Expectations 2016-17, 2017-18 and 2018-19
- North Woods Int'l 1st grade teacher participated in Luoyang China Teacher Exchange
- Hosted Global Initiatives Week Kickoff
- 16 5th grade students achieved the Seal of Biliteracy benchmark for 5th grade
- Developed Spanish targets for each grade level for Spanish Biliteracy Seal
- Spanish language instruction for all Kindergarten students; Spanish Partial Immersion Strand (gr 2-5) and Global Strand (gr 3-5)
- \$8,229 LPEF Grants to support International Baccalaureate resources, African drums for the music room, mindfulness games, walkie talkies, field trip support
- Lessons taught by Chinese Teacher
- Hosted two Amity Interns from Spain and two from Colombia
- Freedom Honor Flight Choir Performance
- UWL Veteran's Day Performance, K-5 Veterans Day Celebration at North Woods
- 2019 - 3 Hessel-Mial winners
- IB Expo held for each grade level featuring learning from units of inquiry
- Developed IB program of inquiry for school and began work on planner for each gr.
- Students participated in planting an International Garden in front of our school
- Sammie the Service Dog to support students with complex behaviors
- Global Arts performance for each gr level highlighting international songs, dances and artwork

High Academic Standards:

E2: Students will demonstrate a high level of individual success in all required and elective academic/curricular areas using multiple measures of performance.



For more statistics: <http://wisedash.dpi.wi.gov/Dashboard/portalHome.jsp>

Curriculum Based Achievement Indicators

EX: Products, performances, grades, school assessment data, etc.

- Wisconsin Forward Exam grades 3-5
- IB Attributes Report Card Insert
- STAR Assessment in Reading and Math
- Spanish Targets Report Card Insert
- Benchmark Management Team Data Retreat
- District Math and Writing Assessments
- Formative Assessments in Reading, Math and Writing

Academics Outside School Day

- Art Club
- Family Literacy and math nights
- IB Expo Nights
- NW 21st Century After School Club Field Trips/Excursions
- Minecraft Club
- China Club
- Euro Game Club

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Goals:

- Meet the needs of students with complex behavior through Universal supports and through Tier II and III interventions.
- Staff will meet all Standards & Practices required by PYP schools.
- Encourage, support and monitor a healthy climate in classrooms, staff meetings, and overall in building.
- By the end of the 2018-19 school year, 80% of students at NWI will score 80% or higher on the NBT and NF questions on the District Standards Based Math Assessment.
- Develop deliver and assess clear Spanish targets for each gr.

Professional Development:

- Impactful Coaching
- IB staff training
 - Category 1 training - 16 staff attended
 - Category 2 training – 1 staff attended
- School Culture & Team building
- White Privilege Conference
- Equity Training
- PLC time with focus on closing the achievement gap
- Positive Behavioral Intervention and Supports training
- Rebuilding for Learning Summit
- Wisconsin Reading Conference – 2 staff attended

Trust Point Financial Adopts North Woods International School as a Partner School

Trust Point provided:

- Staff volunteers for tutoring two days/week
- Financial support for IB staff training & IB/Spanish classroom libraries

Family, School, and Community Partnerships:

- AAUW – International Women’s Day Event
- After school program family nights
- Buddy classrooms
- Gundersen Health System
- Hmong Education Project
- La Crosse Global Initiatives week partner
- La Crosse Sister City Organization
- North Woods International Principal – member of Wisconsin International Education Council
- La Crosse Luoyang Friendship Association
- TEAM Parent Meetings
- The World We Live In
- Title I family nights
- UWL & Viterbo students tutoring in after-school club program
- UWL Clinical III students teach Spanish
- Winona State University Education Department helps support international units
- UWL/Viterbo/Winona State College Student teachers and clinical experiences
- Workforce Connections Foster Grandparent Program

Standards of the Heart – caring, success, potential

E3: Students will strive for mutual understanding as contributing citizens in a diverse world.

E4: Students will acquire the knowledge and skills necessary to make effective and responsible life choices.

North Woods School Song
North Woods Vision/Mission Chant
CICO - Staff Mentors
Community Day Celebration
Monthly staff climate & team building meetings
Peace Pal awards and celebrations
Weekly Staff awards
Principal 200 Club
Lunch with the Principal
Food Pantry Backpack distribution
Citizens of the Month and lunch with local “celebrities”

Core Values/Citizenship Education

- North Woods Fifth Grade Leaders Program
- Service-Learning project: Amity Intern Program
- Interact with international guests
- Veteran’s Day Assembly to honor families in service
- Gift of Giving-reusable gifts at the holidays
- Souper Bowl – food collection
- Socktober- sock/hat/winter gear collection

Guidance/Pupil Services

- Kdg-5th grade Social Skills instruction (Second Step Curriculum Lessons)
- Individual and small group counseling
- Check In-Check Out
- IB Attribute of the Month

Community Involvement/Volunteer Work

- Families visit to share cultural heritages/celebrations
- Guest speakers support the curriculum
- Teacher exchange with Luoyang China (2 teachers)
- Readers from “World We Live In”
- Parent/grandparent volunteers in library, classrooms, and on field trips
- Gift of Giving
- Amity Interns
- Hmong Education Project
- Veterans Day Freedom Honor Flight performance
- UWL Veterans Day performance
- Oktoberfest Parade participant – students, staff & Amity Interns
- Hosted Global Initiatives Kick-off Event

Assemblies/School-Wide Efforts

- Global Play Day
- Visiting Author – Rick Chrustowski
- International Baccalaureate (IB) Parent Information Meeting
- La Crosse Oktoberfest Royal Family
- Read for the Record Story Walk
- International Guests
- Global Arts Nights
- Outdoor Fun Day
- Staff/5th Grade Kickball Game
- Holiday Sing Along
- June Fun Day
- Fourth and fifth graders perform for Freedom Honor Flight and UWL Veteran’s Day Breakfast
- Grandparent Luncheon – 243 grandparents served
- Monday Morning Announcements and pledge of allegiance
- Community Day Assemblies
- Veterans Day Celebration
- Amity Intern Read-a-thon
- UWL Japanese Exchange Student presentations

Clubs, Co-Ex Activities

- Garden Club
- Euro Games Club
- Art Club
- China Club
- Minecraft Club
- Student Council