At Bowman we take pride in:

- Our academic focus includes a number of paths to success, which include students participating in an Open Optional, traditional Neighborhood, or Structured Learning environment.
- We're a school that includes three Pre-K Special Education classrooms for students with individualized needs.
- As part of our school wide expectations, students' focus on being safe, respectful, caring, involved and responsible.





Willard L. Bowman Elementary is a diverse urban school that provides a variety of educational opportunities for students in a safe and nurturing environment in Southeast Anchorage.

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W.L. BOWMAN ELEMENTARY



Home of the Bobcats!



Willard L. Bowman 1919-1975

Willard L. Bowman was born August 18, 1919, in Grand Rapids, Michigan. He served in the U.S. Navy between 1938 and 1945, and in 1950, he moved to Anchorage, Alaska, where he worked as a laborer and was an active union member, later becoming a labor management consultant. He was also an active member of the NAACP in Anchorage. Willard Bowman was appointed the first Director of the Alaska Human Rights Commission by Governor Egan in 1963. He served in that capacity until 1970, when he ran for the State House of Representatives. He was elected to the House in three consecutive elections (1970. 1972, and 1974). A member of the Democratic Party, he maintained a consistently liberal and humanitarian record. Representative Bowman was one of the first Black Americans elected to the Alaska Legislature. He died of cancer on December 3, 1975.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR ALL STUDENTS

W.L. Bowman Elementary welcomes all students, providing some of the most diverse and unique learning opportunities in the Anchorage School District.

NEIGHBORHOOD PROGRAM: GRADES K-6

In the Neighborhood Program the school serves more than 250 students in 11 traditional classrooms. These classrooms focus on meeting all students' academic needs through the use of the Common Core Standards. Teachers use the district adopted curriculum of the Houghton Mifflin Reading Program and Go Math!

OPEN OPTIONAL PROGRAM: GRADES K-6

In the Open Optional Program the school serves 175 students in 7 classrooms. Teachers believe that academics, social skills and respect are important. Real life should be integrated into the classroom to make learning meaningful. The program values communication, creativity, flexibility, cooperation, small and large group participation, community service, goal-setting, leadership and family involvement.

STRUCTURED LEARNING PROGRAM AND PRESCHOOL PROGRAM:GRADES PRE-K THRU 6TH

The highly Structured Learning Classroom (SLC) incorporates a variety of evidence-based teaching strategies and curricula to facilitate communication and social skills while teaching grade-level expectations. Students may require adaptive living skill instruction. The Early Childhood special education program provides and oversees services for children ages 3 to 5 who experience developmental delays or other disabilities.



1st Grade Neighborhood Program

4th/5th Grade Neighborhood Program





1st/2nd Grade Open Optional

5th/6th Grade Open Optional





3rd-6th Grade Structured Learning Program

Early Childhood Preschool Special Education Program