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Willow Glen Primary, Deer Creek Intermediate, and St. Francis High School Awarded the Wisconsin RtI Center School of Merit for PBIS Implementation

St. Francis, WI – The St. Francis School District is pleased to receive notification that each of our schools, Willow Glen Primary (PK-3), Deer Creek Intermediate (4-8), and St. Francis High School (9-12) are recipients of the 2015-2016 Wisconsin RtI Center **School of Merit** designation. This acknowledgement is based on accomplishments through the implementation of excellent Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports (PBIS) practices correlates directly with our District goal of Kinder and More Compassionate Schools.

Our schools were recognized as three of 222 schools Statewide and this recognition was based on an application process that included team and meeting information, implementation and outcome data, and a narrative that described the data, systems, and practices of PBIS implementation. This work could not be accomplished without the tremendous student-centered efforts put forth by our students, teachers, administrators, and families across the District. We are honored and humbled to be chosen for such a prestigious award and want to collectively thank everyone for their continued efforts to provide safe and proactive environments for our school community.

All three schools were also recognized similarly during the 2014-2015 school year and have continued to refine processes toward continuous improvement in the development and implementation of PBIS practices. Willow Glen, Deer Creek, and St. Francis High School will receive a banner and recognition at the annual PBIS Leadership Conference this August. We are very proud of the work that has been accomplished by our schools and District in advancing outstanding learning environments for our students and community.

Links to Further Information:

<http://www.wisconsinrticenter.org/>

<http://dpi.wi.gov/rti/positive-behavioral-intervention-supports>

<http://dpi.wi.gov/rti>

<http://www.stfrancisschools.org/curriculum/042015%20SFSd%20Improvement%20Plan%20Summary.pdf>