

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Welcome to the 2021–2022 school year! We are pleased to inform you that this year, your student will study a new English language arts curriculum called Wit & Wisdom®. Created by an organization called Great Minds®, Wit & Wisdom is built on the conviction that every child is capable of greatness.

Wit & Wisdom is designed to challenge students in a positive and productive way, to build their knowledge of the world around them, and to hone the skills they need to be strong readers, critical thinkers, skilled writers, and excellent communicators.

Wit & Wisdom is different from other English language arts curricula because it features rich, award-winning books that will awaken and expand your student's natural curiosity. Through the study of fiction and nonfiction texts, famous works of art, videos, photographs, and more, students engage deeply with rich, meaningful content, which provides a much stronger intellectual and cultural foundation than brief interaction with the excerpted subject matter that textbooks usually include. Students love learning about Wit & Wisdom's compelling topics such as the five senses, outer space, the Great Depression, and more.

To support your student's language arts studies this school year, we've provided downloadable [Family Tip Sheets](#) that correspond with each module, or unit of study. Each Family Tip Sheet provides an overview of what your student is studying and offers suggestions for how to enrich these studies outside of the classroom.

Great Minds believes that every child is capable of greatness, and we believe that Wit & Wisdom will set your student up for success in English language arts and beyond.

Sincerely,

*The Wit & Wisdom team*