



Thousands of teachers, schools and school districts have utilized the *Dimensions of Learning (DoL)* model since it's development in 1997. Dimensions of Learning Academy (Kenosha WI), is a top performing school that educates the next generation of leaders, using the *DoL* model as its framework in every subject and at all grade levels. Each teacher is "dimensions" trained. Our report card includes grading based on the model. Our school's learning community speaks the "lingo" daily too. No other school is more invested in the *Dimensions* research-based model than Dimensions of Learning Academy. We're even NAMED Dimensions of Learning Academy!

Dimensions of Learning provides a framework for organizing, describing, and developing research-based teaching strategies that engage students in the types of thinking involved in meaningful learning. Secondly, it offers a way of integrating the major instructional models by showing how they are connected and where the overlaps occur. And, perhaps most important, it provides a process for planning and delivering curriculum and instruction that integrates much of the research on effective teaching and learning.

The *Dimensions of Learning* model assumes that five aspects of learning should be considered when making decisions about curriculum, instruction, and assessment:

- Dimension 1: Positive Attitudes and Perceptions Toward Learning**
- Dimension 2: Acquiring and Integrating Knowledge**
- Dimension 3: Extending & Refining Knowledge**
- Dimension 4: Using Knowledge Meaningfully**
- Dimension 5: Productive Habits of the Mind**

For more information about the five dimensions or about it's development, click on the McREL logo or contact our school's main office.

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