

# WHAT IS A LABORATORY SCHOOL?

## OPEN CAMPUS

Students are free to read, relax, complete homework or grab lunch nearby (or in our cafeteria) when they don't have a scheduled class.



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## ISU RESOURCES

Get academic help from ISU student tutors through our “U-Connect” program



## CLINICAL STUDENTS

Hundreds of ISU students studying to be teachers are in our classrooms each year, bringing the student to teacher ratio down.

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## The Four Pillars of U-High



### **Pillar I:**

Teacher Preparation

### **Pillar II:**

Research & Development

### **Pillar III:**

High Quality Academics

### **Pillar IV:**

Service to the Profession

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Lab schools serve **TWO**  
**student populations:**

- K-12 students
- College students (learning about education)



U-High has more ISU students in the building completing clinical observations and experiences than other area schools

U-High teachers are expected to conduct research, partner with ISU professors, model best teaching practices, mentor pre-service teachers, and teach high school students



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### Pillar I:

#### Teacher Preparation

U-High serves nearly 600 clinical students per year. Of these, 265 students are TCH 216 students who participate in 35,000 hours of observation, mentoring, and initial teaching experiences.



### Pillar II:

#### Research & Development

Faculty scholars at U-High conduct their own research, partner with ISU faculty as co-researchers on projects, and facilitate student research.



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### Pillar III:

#### High Quality Academics

U-High educates over 600 students from 27 different junior high schools inside and outside of McLean County. 96 % of graduates are college bound.



### Pillar IV:

#### Service to the Profession

Faculty at U-High publish books and journal articles, serve as reviewers, present at state, national, and international conferences, and serve in leadership roles for many professional organizations.





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## **U-High is part of the College of Education at Illinois State University**

- helps serve the College's goal of preparing future educators
- helps conduct research in the field of education by collaborating with ISU professors

### **Leadership of the Laboratory Schools:**



Dr. Todd McLoda  
Interim Dean  
College of Education



Dr. Anthony Jones  
Laboratory Schools Director



Andrea Markert  
U-High Principal



Brian Rohman  
U-High Interim Assistant  
Principal