

**Visiting a 6<sup>th</sup> grade class - Ajay Limaye**  
**Washington Middle School, Pasadena, PUSD**  
**Teacher: Darlene Davenport**

About 18 students

11 AM - 11:40 AM

PUSD board member **Tom Selinske** was also there

"Reading the Rock Record"

I led a discussion for about 35 minutes with a sixth grade science class at PUSD's Washington Middle School in Pasadena on the topic of "Reading the Rock Record." I talked about how geologists use clues like bedforms and structure to unlock stories.

We watched the Grand Canyon in a sandbox video by Steve Kidder to see how observations are translated into and conceptual models.

We then travelled to Mars (via a short video on a rover's journey) and I had students pan around a virtual-reality mosaic of a rock outcrop to make observations and develop geological hypotheses.