

FAST FACTS

- GRADES: 6-8 Middle
- ATTENDANCE AREA: N. Charleston Area
- SCHOOL ENROLLMENT: 707
- NUMBER OF CERTIFIED STAFF: 55
- CERTIFIED STAFF RETENTION RATE: 60%
- PERCENTAGE OF CERTIFIED STAFF WITH ADVANCED DEGREES: 45%
- AVERAGE NUMBER OF YEARS OF TEACHING EXPERIENCE: 16



Goodies for Guardians

Girls Volleyball Team 25-26



Our Vision

We, the Nighthawks, of Northwoods Middle School, will collaborate to create a community of lifelong learners, who communicate effectively, think creatively, accept challenges, and exhibit self-discipline to form a positive learning environment that embraces diversity.



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Northwoods Middle School

Annual
School Improvement Council
2025-2026



“Excellent is Our Standard”

Dr. Keturah Gadson, Principal
Ms. Sandra Riepke, Assistant Principal
Ms. Onekki Shaw, Assistant Principal
Mr. Tristan Hawkins, Assistant Principal

Charleston >excellence is our standard
County SCHOOL DISTRICT



Winners Circle
Ms. Jacqueline Clarke—
Teacher of the Year 25-26
Dr. Gadson—
Principal of NWMS



Sneaker Ball
Northwoods Staff/Faculty

Message from SIC Committee

Northwoods Middle School is helping all students develop the world class skills needed for life and the characteristics of the Profile of the South Carolina Graduate by providing a safe, caring, and academically challenging learning environment. Northwoods Middle School continues to make gains in student achievement by providing opportunities for high school credits, reading interventions, reading enrichment, a school-wide intervention class, and multiple extra curricular activities. Additionally, out teachers are always seeking to learn new and effective strategies to use in the classrooms by attending weekly PLCs.

We not only continue to make great progress academically, but we have also made huge strides in changing the climate and culture of the school. This year alone, we have implemented Restorative Practices, PBIS. We can proudly say that our students and staff are amazing. The students overcome numerous obstacles and the staff works tirelessly to help the students of Northwoods Middle School reach their full potential.

The faculty, staff, and members of the School Improvement Council, believe that the school, family, and community must share the educational responsibility of all of our students. We are confident that if we work together, our students will have the appropriate foundation and support in order to achieve academic success, not only at Northwoods Middle School, but also throughout their educational careers. Thank you for all of your support in helping develop our future leaders.

Dr. Keturah Gadson
 Principal

Mrs. Dixon, SIC Chair

Nighthawks SOAR with PRIDE

Decreased Out of School Suspension

Increased report card growth rating

Excellent rating opportunities in the arts

HS credit courses now offered

Spanish

Eng I

Alg I

CTE

Decreased student retention rate

Increased Parental Involvement

Parenting Champions

Parent Powerschool Classes

Increased Community Partnerships

N.C. Community Resource Center

A.R.I.S.E.

Lowcountry Food Bank

Increased mentoring programs for students and families

