



Outstanding Clubs/Activities offered at NAMS

- Yearbook Staff
- Stinger Staff
- Academic Team
- Fishing Club
- Archery Club
- Bowling Club
- Fellowship of Christian Athletes
- Beta Club
- Step Team
- Pep Squad
- Student Council
- Show Choir
- Strings Class
- Math Club
- Library Assistants
- Art Club- The Dirty Brushes
- Fitness Club
- Running Club
- EAA After School Program

Science Fair

Each February NAMS Science Fair showcases projects across the grade levels. On February 15, the projects were judged by a highly qualified and diverse group of community members. Mr. John Nichols of the North Augusta Optimist Club organized the committee that assessed the 239 projects. Later in the evening, parents, students and the community enjoyed viewing the projects and seeing the winners. Each grade level had 1st place projects that went on to compete in the CSRA Regional Fair that was held in March at USC Aiken. Several projects were awarded ribbons at the regional fair as well.

Our New Addition

In 2011-2012, the long-awaited addition will be unveiled and will house 9 state-of-the-art classrooms, 2 science labs with a prep room, a new room for the synergistic lab, and a 21st Century lab. The new building will also have band and chorus/drama classrooms as well as a new, larger cafeteria.

AWARDS

NAMS received the SC State Department of Education Silver Award for Outstanding PASS test results.

"This reflects on our entire school community, and I am proud to be a part of this great school."

-Barry Head

Our Mission Statement

Our mission is to develop responsible, successful, lifelong learners by providing a safe and cooperative environment that fosters respect for others, addresses cultural diversity, teaches responsibility, and is committed to developing and refining higher-order thinking skills.

School Improvement Council Members:

- Barry Head (Principal)
- Michael Casdorff (Chair)
- Laura Casdorff
- Phyllis Gamble
- Janet Gordon
- Dell Hadden
- Deborah Harmon
- Sgt. Paul Howard
- Pamela Moore
- Mary Anne Park
- Jerry Powell
- Nikki Smith
- Scott Snyder
- Terra van der Linden



North Augusta Middle School

2010-2011

School Improvement Council Annual Report

"Building for a Better Tomorrow – One Child at a Time"

Principal: Barry Head

Assistant Principal: Wendy Jacobs

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Highlights of 2010-2011

RECOGNITION

STATISTICS

8th Grade:

- Using current test information, 8th grade teachers targeted specific students for exploratory classes which would give them additional help in academic weaknesses (math, science and ELA).
- Taught students to use SC State Department website to obtain support documents to assist with analyzing standards to better understand the requirements for success in science and other subjects.
- Two interdisciplinary units were taught: Fall=Pirates of South Carolina, went on field trip to Charleston to take pirate tour and visit Drayton Hall, etc. Spring=Rocket Boys

7th Grade:

- 7th grade students attended a special assembly presented by guest speaker Lt. Chad Hyler of the Aiken County Sheriff's Office and the famous hound dog, Jessie, both part of the Special Operations Division. This activity was the culminating event to the novel study, *Where the Red Fern Grows*, done in correlation with ELA and social studies standards. Students gained a greater understanding of various hound dogs and their importance to fighting crime within the community.
- 7th grade GT students traveled to Huntsville, Alabama to attend NASA's Space Camp after completing a unit on space exploration and rocketry. Students participated in various hands on activities and exciting simulation experiences to further knowledge of space science.

6th Grade:

- As part of the 6th grade GT unit on Oceans and Salt Marshes, students travelled to Edisto Beach, SC where they participated in ocean and salt marsh activities led by Dr. Doug of Blue Marble Science.
- 6th grade students went on a field trip to the Columbia SC, State Museum. Students participated in various hands-on activities while learning interesting facts about the state of South Carolina.
- Students participated in an interdisciplinary unit learning facts about China.

- Two teachers, BR Smith and Betty Ann Ferguson, won grants from Savannah River Nuclear Solutions, LLC. The awarded grants totaled \$1500.00.
- Emily Wilson, an 8th grade student, won the DAR essay contest.
- Ryan Wells, an 8th grade student, won the school spelling bee.
- Geoffrey Powell won the Geography Bee and qualified to attend the state level of competition.
- In keeping with our goal to ensure a successful transition from 8th grade to high school, the athletic department is proud to announce that eight of our cheerleaders went on to participate and serve as cheerleaders for North Augusta High School.
- NAMS sports teams had a great year. The football, volleyball, and boys basketball teams were undefeated and were City, County, and Conference Champions.
- 21 band students made the Aiken County Jr. Bands and 6 students made the Region Two Jr. Bands.
- Baker Metz, Michael Close, Mikayla Jenkins, and George Athanaelos won honorable mention in the North Augusta Area 2 Student Art Show.
- Emily Wilson won 1st place and Kiana Franklin won 2nd place in the Top Nazarene Talent show.
- The School Improvement Council attended a training that was held earlier this year. They participated in construction and school improvements and identified core key issues that needed to be addressed. They also hosted the annual transition fair for rising 6th graders.
- NAMS has consistently been a School-of-Choice in Aiken County and has touted standardized test scores at or above both the district and state average.

North Augusta Middle School is one of 10 middle schools in Aiken County and one of two middle schools in North Augusta.

Student Enrollment: 613

MEASURE OF ACADEMIC PROGRESS (MAP) TO PALMETTO ASSESSMENT OF STATE STANDARDS (PASS) CORRELATION

According to the results of our Spring 2010 MAP scores 87% of sixth graders, 80% of seventh graders, and 83% of eighth graders are on track to meet the standard in math. Of these same students, 80% of sixth graders, 87% of seventh graders, and 83% of eighth graders are on track to meet the standard in reading. This puts us on track with the local and national goal of having 90% of students meet the standard in ELA and 95% of students meet the standard in math by 2014.

