School Achievements

NHMS made Absolute & Growth rating progress for the fifth consecutive year.

This year's absolute school rating has held steady while our growth rating has held steady at average.

Principal Larry Stinson was named 2011 Carolina Careers Educational Champion of the Year by the State Department of Education Office of Career Education!

Jr. Scholars - Amber Moser & Jack Stravakas

Duke TIP Scholars

Breann Jordan, Devion Funderburk, Mikayla Lottihall, Winter McClellan, Shelby Thomas, Dara O'Neal, Wesley Smith, Cody Atkinson, Logan Duvall, Destiny McManus, Brandon Edwards

Map Testing

Our school based "MAP" tests show significant patterns of growth in Math, Reading, & Language Usage

Broadcasting Team

Our Broadcasting team is working to produce a public service message for the 2012 Pageland watermelon festival!

SIC Members

Our goal is to become a nationally top ranked school.

Chair: Rev Rodney Nicholson, Parent Nicolson1@shtc.net Vice Chair: Mrs. Donna Steen. Parent dsteen@shtc.net Principal: Mr. L. Stinson *lstinson@chesterfield.k12.sc.us* Vice principal: Mr. N. Pearson npearson@chesterfield.k12.sc.us Betsy Stanton, Title 1 facilitator bstanton@chesterfield.k12.sc.us Jimmy Carter, Teacher jcarter@chesterfield.k12.sc.us Linda Estridge, Specialist lestridge@chesterfield.k12.sc.us Rev. Ray Lowe, Clergy rlowe@shtc.net Teresa Miller, Parent tmiller@shtc.net Mike Wallace, Community Rep. mwallace@shtc.net Rev. Mack Mullis Community Rep. mmullis@shtc.net

Purpose of this Report

This Report is issued by the NHMS School Improvement Council in accordance with South Carolina law to share information on the school's progress in meeting various goals and objectives, the work of the SIC, and other accomplishments during the school year.



Annual School Improvement Council "Report to the Parents" 2011-12



Larry Stinson, Principal Nicholas Pearson, Assistant Principal Jimmy Carter, Teacher of the year

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Home of the Hawks!

Mission Statement

We at New Heights Middle are committed to providing all students with a quality education so that they may learn responsibility, respect, and personal worth which will enable them to lead productive lives in an ever changing society.

Community

A Special thanks to Our Drama club for the presentation of "The Wizard of Oz"!

- Literacy SC pilot project
- Career day featured 42 speakers
- St. Jude Math-athon
- Food drive & Thanksgiving meals
- Peer tutoring
- Volunteer Mentors
- Relay for life
- Say no to drugs CCSD
- Saturday Academy
- Beta Convention
- Christmas Concerts
- Hawks for hope
- Hawks News team
- Angel Tree

A Special thanks to community/Business partnerships.

- Bethel Church, Liberty Hill Baptist
- Wal-Mart, Smoke House

The New Heights news team continued the partnership with Pageland Progressive Journal for the 2011-2012 school year.

Student Achievement

Spelling Bee winner- Megan Nicholson

Geography Bee winner- Morgan Walker

State Superintendent's Writing Award – Bianca Wallace & Amber Moser

Talent Show Winners

 1^{st} Place- Airick Alexander 2^{nd} place- Megan Nicholson 3^{rd} place –Dedrick Robinson, Cashion Rivers

PTO Title 1 family Nights

September 1st: 350+ in attendance

- Ask the principal
- Title 1 annual meeting
- International Perspective on Education By Ava Dawn Clarke
- Youth Motivational Speaker

November 17th: 400+ in attendance

- Family- Drug Prevention Strategies-Megan Ard
- Dealing with Family Stress Alyce Kemp Dewitt
- Snakes Alive- Ron Cromer

February 16th: 400+ in attendance

• Family Reading Night Authors: Damon Plumides & Art Boeke

May 24th 450+ in attendance

• Arts Alive

School Climate

100% of the new Heights faculty is satisfied with our facility and our school's learning environment.

81% of parents are satisfied with our school's learning environment.

School uniforms, Single Gender classes, & User friendly, up to date Media Center and Production Studio. Wow!

Additional Information

Welcome new teachers, Jonathan Eason, Nick Pierce, Thomas Andrews, & Paul Bonham

Arts Alive (2nd Annual) 225 students participated in chorus, band, guitar club,& art students. Over 450 people attended this event!

Black History Month-Program by Samuel S. Foster

Veterans Day - Presentation by Jacky Bayne

Our 6th Grade has been piloting a new math program on the computer, called ALEKS.

Thanks for a great year!

Mascot, Chorus, Student Council, Jr. Beta club, Band, Guitar club, Beta step team, cheerleaders, Baseball, Basketball, Football, Volleyball, Softball, Track, & Golf teams. Guidance, Media Center, Cafeteria & staff.