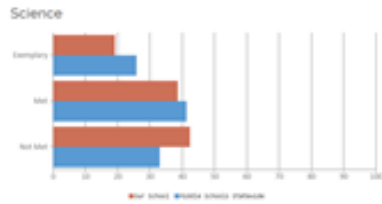
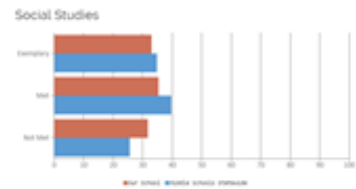


SC-PASS Stats

This section is based on SC-PASS data collected during the Spring 2016 administration.



Our School: Percent Met and Above for each grade level



SC READY Stats

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Northwest Middle School Facts and Figures

Students	798
General Teachers	30
Related Arts Teachers	9
Special Educators	6
Support Staff	8
School Counselors	3
Media Specialist	1
Instructional Support	2
Student Support	3
Administrators	3
Attendance Rate	96%
Student Teacher Ratio	23:1
Computer Labs	3
Tablet Labs	17
3D Learning Lab	1
Classrooms	45
Security Cameras	26
Science Labs	6
Gyms	2
Weight Room	1
Interactive Boards	47
Soccer Field	1
Baseball Field	1
Tennis Courts	3
Basketball Courts	4



School Improvement Council Report to the People 2016-2017

Northwest Middle School



Dr. David D. McDonald, Principal
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The School Improvement Council is made up of parents, community members, business leaders, and concerned citizens working to make our school better. This information is reported annually to inform the community about the progress of Northwest Middle School in advancing student achievement and accomplishments.

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Northwest Middle School Progress...

Northwest Middle School continues to develop in several key areas of improvement. The School Improvement Council continues to work to support the goals of the Greenville County School District which include these four areas:

1. Student Learning and Achievement
2. Quality Personnel
3. School Environment
4. Financial Resources
5. Communications and Community Engagement

Student Learning and Achievement:

Northwest saw positive returns on the new state assessment system. Students continue to utilize new personalized learning pathways through technology, project based learning, and a strong assessment system. Hundreds of hours of extra help, support, and tutoring have been completed this year.

Quality Personnel:

We have worked hard to provide bright competent teachers who are highly qualified and who have a strong desire to help students learn. We are proud of our staff and their continued efforts to remain current in their field and bring forward 21st century learning strategies into the classroom. This year we had 15 new staff members who have worked to support our students

School Environment & Financial Resources:

We continued adding the many improvements in our school by refurbishing 11 classrooms, adding a new collaboration studio, and adding additional technology.

We added an additional 100 chromebooks this year as well as student look up stations in many of our classrooms. We also added new classes this year for technology. Additionally, we showcase student artwork in our art gallery started with work from our students.

Communications and Community Engagement:

This year we have grown our partnership with the Cliffs Resident Outreach (CRO). We are currently feeding over 100 people per weekend as well as received a \$16,000 donation which allowed us to purchase 75 additional chromebooks. We launched a new mentoring program this year supporting nearly 20 students with individual mentor supporters. Our bike club saw more growth and we introduced and expanded our student clubs by adding new activities. We have a continued friendship with the Rotary Club has provided our young "knights" a foundation for better character and the skills to form healthier and more lasting friendships with classmates. Northwest participates in the TR greater cleanup and the TR Relay for life as well as many other drives to provide food, coats, and daily needs for families in the community. We are also increasing our usage of Twitter, Facebook and other social media to communicate with parents and the greater community.

Innovation at Northwest.

Students at Northwest continue to excel academically. New courses and programs were offered during the 2016-2017 school including new high school credit classes including:

Additional spaces for Spanish 1 and Art I, Computer Applications, and Spanish I. We introduced Piano Keyboarding and Journalism as well as adding additional seats in credit classes.

We continued to utilize Project Based Learning as their means of learning. Teachers added more units relying on project based strategies. Students piloted the use of tablet technology in class each day.



This year we welcomed the South Carolina Schools to Watch Team to our school to review our programs and practices. The team provided us recommendations and commendations for the work we are doing. The team recommended more strategies to motivate and support student learning. A new incentive program was started to encourage students to be On Target! Additional steps have been implemented to address the findings in the report.

Students continue to enjoy success in various competitions. Our band and chorus both attended competitions this year, earning high marks. Our school had more winners in the district art competition than any other school. Students have raised over \$10,000 for various causes through the year. Three students won a state level art contest, the band earned a Superior with Distinction award, and many more.

Our annual PAWS for a Cause event helped our students earn over 1600 volunteer hours supporting various causes throughout our community.

Northwest would like to thank all of its sponsors, supporters, and volunteers for all they do to make Northwest an exceptional place for learning to occur. We collected over 4500 volunteer hours in 2015-2016.