

Northside Celebrations

- Successful implementation of the *Second Steps* Social-Emotional Learning (SEL) Program for our students.
- Superior Rating for the Northside Symphonic Band at the 2022 SCBDA Concert Performance Assessment.
- Four 8th Graders recognized as S.C. Junior Scholars for their exceptional academic talent.
- Induction of 27 students into Northside's National Junior Honor Society (NJHS).
- Monthly recognition of our Students of the Month who demonstrated one of the character traits of Cougar P.R.I.D.E. (*perseverance, respect, integrity, determination, enthusiasm*).
- Recognition of six 8th Graders as Myrdis Walker Scholars for their academic excellence.



Northside Middle School SIC Members

Lauren Cafaro, Chair Latasha Taste, Co-Chair Brooke Oxendine, Secretary Genia Kearney, Parent Keena Brooks, Parent Camille Johnson, Teacher Sherrill Clarkson, Teacher Hannah Ker, Teacher Kevin Sweatt, Teacher Bryson Summers, AP

Ex-Officio Member Anna Unversaw, Principal



Purpose of the Report

This Report is issued by Northside's 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.

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2021-2022

School Improvement Council Report to the Parents

Principal: Anna Unversaw AP: Bryson Summers AA: Dana Thompson

Cougar P.R.I.D.E.

Perseverance. Respect. Integrity. Determination. Enthusiasm.

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MISSION STATEMENT

We will nurture and develop successful lifelong learners.

VISION

We envision a school where...

The environment is a safe, secure, and inviting place which promotes student learning; curriculum and instruction meet the needs of all students; students are prepared for college and career opportunities and experiences; respect, responsibility, and cooperation are shared among all stake holders in our learning community.

BELIEFS

We believe that:

- All students will learn and have talents and abilities worth developing.
- Technological innovations are an integral part of the learning process.
- A quality staff is a key ingredient for effective schools.
- All students will be critical thinkers and problem-solvers.
- All individuals have the right to learn in a safe and secure environment.
- The development of students academically, physically, socially, emotionally, and culturally is a collaborative effort of parents, schools, businesses, and community.
- Well-educated citizens are the hope for the future of America.

NMS Extracurricular Opportunities

- Basketball (Girls/Boys)
- Volleyball
- Cheerleading
- Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA)



Student Achievement at Northside

- 35.9% of students scored Met or Exceeds Expectations on SCREADY ELA (2021)
- 28.5% of students scored Met or Exceeds Expectations on SCREADY Math (2021)
- 42.6% of students scored Met or Exceeds Expectations on SCPASS Science (2021)

For more information, Northside's complete S.C. School Report Card for the previous school year can be viewed online at <u>www.ed.sc.gov</u>.

Our School Improvement Goals

The NMS SIC will pursue initiatives that:

- Increase the percentage of students in Grades 6-8 scoring at or above the Meets Expectations level of the SCREADY ELA and SCREADY Math assessments.
- Create an inclusive school environment that highlights the cultural diversity of our students, parents and community.
- Highlight the student achievement in classrooms throughout Northside.
- Increase the satisfaction of teachers and parents with the learning environment at Northside, as measured by annual School Climate Surveys.

