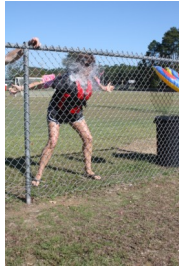




SCHOOL LIFE



BELIEFS

We Believe:

All staff will be highly qualified, caring, and dedicated members of a professional learning community.

The successful development of students is a collaborative effort of parents, schools, businesses, and the community.

All members of the school community must be invested in the school-wide culture and each and every student's success.

Goals will be explicit and expressed publicly to all stakeholders.

Literacy is the foundation of success in all content areas.

Research based instructional strategies will be implemented, monitored, and refined.

Differentiated instruction is fundamental to meet the needs of ALL students.

Formative and summative assessments are vehicles to advance student achievement, verify attained learning, reinforce effort, and provide recognition.

The learning environment will inspire creativity, inquiry, innovation, and critical thinking.

Students will be empowered to take ownership of their choices.

The culture and diversity of every individual must be honored.

The learning environment will be based on a structured data analysis process where individualized student learning opportunities are maximized.

A guaranteed and viable curriculum is the core of Northside's educational process.

2015-2016 School Summary Report

"Nothing Motivates Like Success"



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2015 TESTING RESULTS

The following scores earned Northside a Palmetto Gold Award:

ACT Aspire Ready or Above:

	<u>NMS</u>	<u>Lex 2</u>	<u>State</u>
Reading	39%	34%	33%
English	65%	62%	67%
Writing	29%	24%	17%
Math	45%	40%	52%

SC PASS Met or Exemplary

	<u>NMS</u>	<u>Lex 2</u>	<u>State</u>
Science	69%	65%	68%
Social Studies	78%	77%	78%

State Performance Awards

Palmetto Gold 2015, 2014, 2013

Palmetto Silver 2012



End of Course Statistics

	<u>Enrollment</u>	<u>Passing Score</u>
Algebra I	43%	97.3%
English I	53%	98.9%



Mission Statement

It is the mission of Northside Middle School to nurture and develop successful lifelong learners. We envision a school where the environment is safe, secure, and inviting; where students are prepared for college and career opportunities; and where respect, responsibility and cooperation are shared among all stakeholders in our learning community.



ACADEMIC HIGHLIGHTS

- 11 eighth grade students were recipients of South Carolina Junior Scholar Awards.
- 17 seventh grade students qualified as Duke TIP Scholars.
- 18 eighth grade students were inducted as Myrdis Walker Scholars.
- 32 seventh grade students were inducted into the National Junior Honor Society to give us total of 77 members.

PARENT INVOLVEMENT

The Paw Booster Club is the NMS Parent Teacher Organization (PTO). With over 200 members, the PTO PAW Club coordinates and encourages volunteers to assist within the school. The PTO creates and manages activities which benefit the welfare of the school and the community. Some examples of this year's involvement include:

- "Read Across America" Movie Night. Students participated in a whole-school read and completed the novel *Freak the Mighty* by Rodman Philbrick on March 2. The PTO served hot dogs and popcorn to families who came to watch the movie based on the book.
- Breakfasts for our at-promise mentor club
- Funding for student incentives for positive behavior supports.
- Volunteers for events supporting teachers in the classroom.
- Internet Safety Parent Workshop in conjunction with the SC Attorney General's office.

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

Northside is proud to have fourteen Business and Community Partners who serve our school through:

- Employee of the Month Program
- WIN Program for boys and girls
- Sponsors of athletics
- Community service volunteers
- NMS Beautification
- Sponsors of Field Trips
- 100% Staff Participation in United Way Campaign
- Provided lunch for community flood victims