



HOME OF THE PANTHERS

Northwest Middle School

Rising 6th Grade
Information Night
February 16, 2016

Essential Questions...

- What does the Northwest academic program look like for 6th graders?
- What will a day look like for a 6th grader?
- What safety measures are in place at Northwest?
- What involvement opportunities are there at Northwest?
- How is Northwest supporting our learning community?

Northwest Quick Facts

- ◉ Grades 6-8
- ◉ 804 Students
- ◉ 46 Teachers
- ◉ 3 Counselors
- ◉ 96% Attendance Rate
- ◉ 13 Tablet Labs (450 chromebooks)
- ◉ 78.98% Caucasian
- ◉ 11.26% African American
- ◉ 7.25% Hispanic
- ◉ 18% Special Education
- ◉ 74.59% Poverty Index

Academics at Northwest Middle School



Academic Programs at NWMS

- Students participate in 6 classes per day.
- A standard Course of Study:
 - ELA
 - Math
 - Science
 - Social Studies
 - 2 Related Arts Classes
 - Band, Chorus, Computer Technology, Art, Extra Help, Tutorial, PE, and Spanish

High School Credit Opportunities

- Beginning in 7th grade students have the opportunity to begin earning high school credit
 - Google Basics or Multimedia Basics – ½ credit
- 8th Grade Opportunities
 - English 1 Honors – 1 credit
 - Algebra 1 Honors – 1 credit
 - Computer Applications- .5 credit
 - Spanish 1 – 1 credit
 - Art 1- 1 credit
 - PE 1- 1 credit

Bring Your Own Device

- Students bring technology to school
- Recommended devices include laptops, tablets, Google enabled devices such as tablets or Chromebooks
- Technology is used across the school

Extracurricular Opportunities Northwest Middle School



Activities for Students

- Sports begin in 7th Grade:
 - Basketball, Volleyball, Football, Softball, Baseball, Soccer, other sports through TRHS.
- Other Clubs And Activities:
 - German, Pep Club, Robotics, Chess, Early Act First Knight, Student Council, Yearbook, Nook Book Club, Drama, Battle of the Brains

Support at Northwest Middle School



Academic Support

- All teachers provide 1.5 hours of tutoring per week
- Make up work policies

Communication Support

- Website contains important information
- 24 hour return contact policy
- Email and telephones
- Weekly phone messages
- Media Center
- Remind 101 text messaging
- Parent Portal
- Agenda

Guidance Services

- Provide services to help students grow academically, socially, and emotionally
- Individual, small group, and classroom guidance services are provided
- Support students with academic and developmental needs
- Work with students on topics such as bullying, support, stress management, and organizational skills
- Referrals to other agencies

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Moving Forward
Toward 6th Grade

Information Packet

- School Information Brochure
- FAQ booklet
- Scavenger Hunt
- Building Map

What to Expect...

- Elementary School visits in May
- Summer Sessions
- Schedule Distribution
- School Supply Shopping

Parental Involvement

- School Improvement Council
- Parent Teacher Association
- Serve as Mentors
- Serve as Classroom Helpers
- Monitor our Website
- Keep your contact information current
- VISIT!

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Questions and
Answers



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