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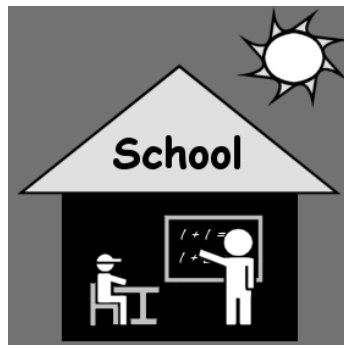
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Back to School Events! Mark Your Calendar!



6th Grade Boot Camp
Friday, August 16, 2019
Boot Camp: 9:00am-11:30am
Optional Parent Meeting: 9:30am
Meet the Teacher: 11:45am-12:45pm

Register online by visiting the Northwood website and completing the form found under the Boot Camp Registration Link.

Call or email Mrs. Reed, if you have any questions.
864-355-7004 or ehamer@greenville.k12.sc.us

7th Grade Meet the Teacher
Monday, August 19 at 10am

8th Grade Meet the Teacher
Monday, August 19 at 9am

SEE YOU THERE!



From the Principal Treva Lee

Greetings Northwood Family,

I would like to welcome everyone to the 2019-2020 school year. I am hopeful that you all have had a restful and enjoyable summer break and are ready for another successful school year. Summer break provides us the time to relax, rejuvenate, and to reflect on our school year to make the next year even better! We have a special school community including students, teachers, support staff, and parents who take pride in making sure our students' educational experience is second to none. In just a short time we will welcome another class of sixth-grade Knights and we will begin to write the next chapter, *together*.

Our faculty and staff are preparing for this to be the best school year yet! Many have spent time this summer advancing their degrees or participating in professional development. Many have spent time working with their colleagues here at school to refine their teaching practice, assessments and other collaborative efforts. Mr. Mosley and his staff have the building and grounds in wonderful condition, as always. We understand the necessary components and experiences that make middle school unique. We also understand the demands and requirements for high school and beyond, and are committed to providing a curriculum that is not only rigorous and challenging, but also interesting. We are extremely excited to continue the journey as a Personalized Learning Academy, meaning that each student is issued a Chromebook to use at school and at home! Our teachers have worked hard to familiarize themselves with the capabilities of the devices and operating platform and are excited to continue using these tools to enhance teaching and learning at Northwood! There are many activities available at NMS this year to involve students and parents in the school and I encourage each of you to explore these opportunities in order to become active in our school life. These include athletics, our fine arts programs, student clubs, community outreach opportunities, or our student leadership opportunities. We will always need student and parent support each year to be successful. I know that the leadership and hard work from both groups will again make this a successful school year. Our school website will continue to be a valuable resource for parents and students. The website will list current news, recognitions, activities, and monthly calendars so that parents can be informed about the many exciting happenings that take place at Northwood. Each teacher's website will include information for parents to keep a pulse on their child's academic progress. "Like" us on Facebook to see examples of the fun our kids have while exploring and learning. All parents are encouraged to access the District Parent Portal where student grades and attendance are available for viewing at all times. Please come into our school office to obtain instructions and passwords for accessing the Parent Portal. Take advantage of the opportunities at NMS by joining the PTA and getting involved in all aspects of our school. Our PTA knows no bounds when it comes to supporting the efforts of our teachers and staff, so that we may give those special "extras" to our students throughout the school year.

As Principal, my greatest responsibility is to ensure the safety of each student, staff member, and visitor at our school. Measures such as the district-wide I.D. policy, our NMS dress code, and strict adherence to all GCS student behavior policies are intended to allow us to teach and learn in an environment that is conducive to a quality education. We require all visitors to first sign in through the main office, without exception. I also strongly encourage you to familiarize yourself with your child's school handbook.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if there is a question or concern that you or your child has about Northwood Middle. In this newsletter there will be tentative dates for some of the year's PTA events. I encourage you to mark your calendars and join us when possible. I look forward to continuing Northwood's long-standing record of success, *together*.

Sincerely, Treva Lee

2019-2020 PTA Executive Board

President – Nacole Hause
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Secretary – Jessica Evans

The PTA Needs Volunteers for One-Time Events, Ongoing Projects, Daytime and Behind the Scenes Support. Please contact Nacole Hause nacolehause@gmail.com if you are interested in learning more! There is something for everyone!

Address and Phone Number Change

It is very important that the school has up-to-date contact information on each student. The school district requires two proofs of address (current bill or contract on a house or apartment) for an address change. To have your phone number changed in the computer, please call the main office (864-355-7000) or send it in written form with your student's name on it.

NORTHWOOD MIDDLE SCHOOL NEWS

Can Tab Collection



Congrats to our students & staff for donating over 75,000 can tabs to the Ronald McDonald House during the 2018-2019 school year.

DON'T STOP NOW ... keep collecting those tabs for this coming school year!

Label containers with your name & homeroom to get credit towards rewards.

Extended Day Program for 2019-2020



Registration is now open for our 2019-20 Extended Day Program! This program operates from 3:15-6:00 pm on regular school days. Students are provided snacks, homework supervision, recreation, computer time, and special activities.

Extended Day Program 2019-20 Information & Registration Forms can be found on the front page of the school website.

Contact our EDP Director with additional questions at glentz@greenville.k12.sc.us

School Store Volunteers Needed!

Get a head start on the day by volunteering at the school for less than an hour!

School Store Hours: 7:45-8:20

Contact Paula Chamber at chambers0124@gmail.com if you can help.

Tdap Requirement for Rising 7th Graders



Reminder that SC law requires that students entering 7th grade receive a dose of Tdap vaccine.

Students entering the 7th grade who have NOT received the Tdap vaccine by the first day of school on August 20, 2019, will not be allowed to attend school until they have received the vaccine and provided proof to the school nurse.

If you are unsure if your child has met this requirement, please contact our school nurse, Ms. Arness, at 864-355-7007.

Grade-Level Trips in 2020!



8th Grade: Chattanooga, TN, on March 31 - April 1, 2020 (Deadline to register is 09-13-2019)

Questions regarding 8th grade trip? Contact Ms. Baughman @ 864-355-7066 or drbaughman@greenville.k12.sc.us

7th Grade: Atlanta, GA, on March 23-24, 2020 (Deadline to register is 09-27-2019)

Questions regarding 7th grade trip? Contact Ms. Jordan @ 864-355-7049 or anjordan@greenville.k12.sc.us

Please see the school website for a link to register your student.

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The Northwood PTA is now accepting corporate sponsorships for the 2019-2020 school year. Would you consider supporting us this way? It's a great way to make your business' name visible to thousands. Information is below. Please contact Nacole Hause at nacolehause@gmail.com if you would like to become a sponsor or would like more information.

Northwood Middle School Sponsorships

In-Kind:

\$200 value and up for in-kind receives:

- One time mention in the e-blast
- Facebook post/thank you

Cash/check donation:

\$300

- Banners-sponsor provides 4' x 6' to hang on the fence for the school year
- E-blast weekly for the year and a one-time mention on Facebook
- Listed on NWMSPTA website for the year

\$500

- Same as \$300 sponsor plus the following:
- Table once a year in August/September timeframe during a PTA/Back to School event to meet with parents and staff
- 1/4 page ad in back to school mailed newsletter from PTA

\$1000

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- Table once a year in August/September timeframe during a PTA/Back to School event to meet with parents and staff
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- 1/2 page ad in back to school mailed newsletter from PTA
- Back Page of Agenda issued to all students



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NORTHWOOD MIDDLE SCHOOL'S DRESS CODE

Welcome to Northwood, where we pride ourselves in being an exceptional school! The personal appearance of every student is an important component of establishing a safe environment for optimal learning and respect for one another. The information provided below highlights some of the components of our dress code.

Please review the full dress code policy in the Northwood student agenda/handbook or the school's website.

Shirts:

- Tops must be solid white, navy, or black.
- Tops must have collars, buttons, and sleeves.
- Tops may have a small, appropriate logo over the pocket area only.

Pants, shorts, skirts:

- Bottoms must be solid khaki, navy, or black.
- Jeans and bottoms made to look like jeans are not permitted.
- Shorts and skirts may measure no shorter than 3" above the top of the kneecap.
- A belt is required, if the garment has belt loops. No large buckles nor writing/symbols are permitted to be on the belt.

Miscellaneous:

- All clothing must be free from holes, faux holes, patched holes, rips, etc.
- Shoes may be any color and must have back-straps.
- Lightweight, non-hooded sweatshirts, sweaters, and jackets may be worn in the classroom provided they are solid colored white, navy, or black and have a regulation shirt underneath them.

Students who come to school inappropriately dressed will be asked to call home to have an appropriate item brought to them. Students will then be instructed to wait in the in-school-suspension room until a parent arrives.



Student Drop-Off and Pick-Up Times

No student may be dropped-off at school before **7:30 AM**, and all students need to be picked-up by **4:00 PM** after school. For safety reasons, students should be dropped off and picked up at the front of the school.

Do not pull into the parking lot to drop off or pick up students.



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School Supplies List

The following is a generic list of recommended supplies, specific teachers may have additional required supplies.

Sixth Grade

3-ring binder, dividers, loose leaf paper, pencils, pens (blue/black), colored pencils, composition books, folders (brads and pockets) highlighters, graph paper, four function calculator, glue sticks or tape, scissors, hand held pencil sharpener, pencil pouch, earbuds/headphones, index cards

Seventh Grade

Algebra 1 Honors: TI-84 Plus Graphing Calculator or TI 84 Plus CE

3-ring binders, colored pencils, composition books (non-spiral), dividers, earbuds/headphones, four-function calculator, glue sticks, graph paper, hand held pencil sharpener, highlighter, index cards, loose leaf paper, pencils, pens (red, blue, black), tape

Eighth Grade

3-ring binders, colored pencils, colored pencils, composition books (non-spiral), dividers, earbuds/headphones, glue sticks, graph paper, hand held pencil sharpener, highlighters, index cards, loose leaf paper, pencil pouch, pencils, pens (blue/black), tape, sticky notes

Algebra 1 Honors: TI-84 Plus Graphing Calculator or TI 84 Plus CE

Math 8: TI 30X IIS Calculator

Geometry: Compass Protractor

All teachers would appreciate donations of: Kleenex, Clorox Wipes, Dry Erase Markers, Hand Sanitizer



JOIN THE PTA

Join the PTA today. The price is just \$5. Look for the PTA membership table at the back to school events on August 16th & 19th.

You may also join online at the following link.
<https://nwmstaylor.memberhub.store/>

PTA Needs Your Support!

This year, we are not having a schoolwide PTA fundraiser. Please consider making a cash donation to the PTA through our Friends of Northwood Program. More information will be available at Meet the Teacher, Open House events and first day packets. Please make checks payable to Northwood Middle PTA and note it is a donation! Thank you!

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Your Publix Partners school expired in July. Please log-in to your Publix account to select Northwood Middle as your school.

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PTA Monthly Meetings

Northwood Middle School monthly PTA meetings are held on the last Wednesday of the month at 9am in the media center conference room.

All are welcome!

If you have any questions, please contact Nacole Hause at nacolehause@gmail.com.

Hope to see you there!



The School Improvement Council (SIC) meets the last Wednesday of each month at 12 PM at the school. SIC serves as the main advisory board to the principal. Any parent can serve. If you are interested, please email Mr. Lee at tlee@greenville.k12.sc.us.

Thank you to Tuscan Heights Apartments for being a Platinum Level Sponsor of Northwood Middle School!



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A NOTE FROM THE PTA EXECUTIVE BOARD

We understand how busy families and students are and we have simplified our PTA efforts. We have gone back to the basics in asking for sponsors and monetary donations from our families to help fund our PTA non-profit. With this said, we will not have any fundraising activities to sell anything this upcoming school year, and we thank you in advance for considering to make a monetary donation instead.

Here is a re-cap of some of the money spent on last year:

- Teacher and Staff Appreciation "Welcome Breakfast" and Quarterly lunches.
- Assisted with funding for the new electronic sign.
- Awarded \$5,000 in mini grants for the teachers to buy items needed for their classrooms.
- Supplied all students with a planner for the year.
- Supplied new books for the media center.
- Supplied items needed for the health room.
- Hosted a birthday lunch to staff & teachers in March.
- Assisted with Christmas Knights.
- Supplied instructional materials for the teachers & classrooms.
- Planted flowers and assisted in ways needed to keep the school grounds looking nice.
- Organized student socials/dances

Throughout the year we have numerous activities where students can get more involved: dress down days for \$2.00, after school dances, spirit weeks and a lot of these efforts are tied towards homeroom competition points.

Thank you, PTA Executive Board



Box Tops for Education

Box Tops for Education are an excellent way to help raise money for Northwood Middle.

Because of your efforts we raised

Over \$700 during the 2019/2020 school year!

- Look for the 10¢ Box Tops coupon on hundreds of your favorite products. Clip the Box Top from the package.
- Place the Box Tops in a baggie or envelope and write your child's name and homeroom teacher/ grade on the outside of the bag.
- Place the Box Tops in the "Box Tops Box" in the front office.

If your student brings in 50 Box Tops from September 23 – October 4th, they will be eligible for a Dress Down Day on October 11th.

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www.northwoodmiddlepta.org/

CALENDAR OF EVENTS AUG-SEPT 2019

August 2019

- 16th Boot Camp
- 19th 7th & 8th Grade Meet the Teacher
- 20th 1st Day of School
- 27th 6pm PTA Open House
- 28th 9am PTA Board Meeting

September 2019

- 20th Dress Down Day for \$2
- 20th Social Dance
- 23rd Boxtops Collection Begins
- 25th 9am PTA Board Meeting
- 30th Book Fair Begins

Stay Informed!

Follow us on Facebook at

www.facebook.com/NMSKnights

Sign up for the PTA weekly E-Blast:

Log onto our website at

www.northwoodmiddleschoolpta.org

Look for the "sign up" drop down menu.

Sign up for PTA Text Reminders:

Text the message @a4888ge to the
number 81010.

The first day of school is August 20!