Northeast Middle School's 2026 State of the School



THE SCHOOL

Northeast Middle School is a Minneapolis Public School serving approximately 586 students in sixth through eighth grades.

Built in 1954, Northeast Middle School has always served a student body not only from Northeast Minneapolis but also from North and Southeast neighborhoods.

Northeast Middle School is an International Baccalaureate Program School where students are challenged with a worldwide rigorous curriculum that promotes inter-disciplinary and inquiry-based learning experiences for all students.

Students in the IB MYP study eight subjects each year:

- Language and Literature (English Language Arts)
- Language Acquisition (World Languages)
- Mathematics
- Sciences
- Visual and Performing Arts (Art,, Band, & Choir)
- Individuals and Society (Social Studies)
- Physical Education & Health
- A.V.I.D. Program (Advancement Via Individual Determination)

The International Baccalaureate Middle Years Programme:

- Holistically addresses intellectual, social, emotional, and physical well-being
- Provides students opportunities to develop the knowledge, attitudes, and skills they need to manage complexity and take responsible action for the future
- Empowers students to participate in service within the community
- Helps to prepare student for further education and the workplace

The student is always at the center of what we do at Northeast Middle School!

WHAT IS THE STATE OF THE SCHOOL REPORT?

Each Fall, in Minneapolis Public Schools, the school principal leads a State of the School Report. The purpose of this time is to update the school's community on where the school has been, where it currently is, and where it hopes to go.

At Northeast Middle School, we have our State of the School/Annual Title One Report presents relevant information to parent, students, and staff regarding our school community. There is a State of the School/Title One power-point template for schools to use, but we believe that the power-point approach is not a family-friendly approach. Therefore, we have taken the power-point components and embedded them into this newsletter form.

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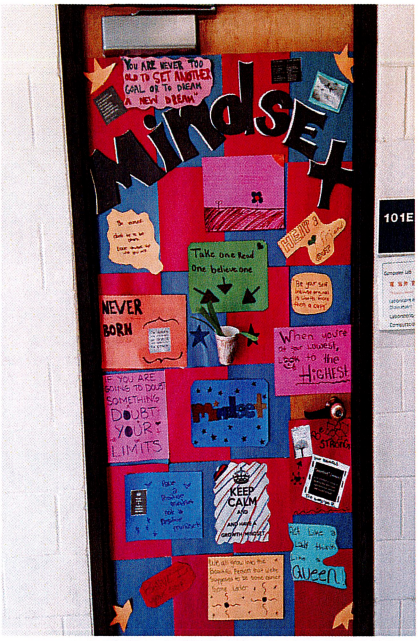
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Northeast MIDDLE SCHOOL



NORTHEAST MIDDLE SCHOOL'S VISION & MISSION

Northeast Middle School is a school that provides all students with a supportive and nurturing environment where quality teaching and learning is evident in everything we do.

In an environment of caring and supportive guidance, students in sixth through eighth grades will be encouraged to develop academically, socially, emotionally, and physically. We believe that self-respect and personal responsibility are as important to success as academic achievement. Cultural and learning diversities will be respected, enriched, and enhanced in order that students learn to value difference in the school population and the society in which we live.

"The International Baccalaureate aims to develop ... young people who help create a better and more peaceful world ...."

BY THE NUMBERS

2026– 2027 QUICK GLIMPSE AT OUR CURRENT NUMBERS SHOW THE FOLLOWING :

Total Enrolled: 568

Advanced Learners: 116

English Language Learners: 121

Receiving Free or Reduced Lunch: 289

Homeless/Highly Mobile: 40

Receiving Special Education Services: 127

504 = 24

6th Grade: 166

17th Grade: 214

8th Grade: 188

(Labels are based on most recent MPS identifications.)

BUILDING BREAKDOWN

Northeast Middle School is located at 2955 Hayes Street N.E. in the Audubon neighborhood of Minneapolis, MN. Sixty-four percent for Northeast students take the school bus to and from school each day while the remainder walk or use other forms of transportation.

Students are housed on grade specific teams with each student having an advisory teacher who they connect with daily as well as on an as-needed basis. Our city-wide special education programs are our DCD (Developmentally & Cognitively Delayed), our ASD (Autism Spectrum Disorder) program, and finally our EBD (Emotional Behavior Disorder) aimed to offer social skill building and mental health consideration services to struggling students. These students are integrated into our main stream classes as suggested by their Individual Education Plans.

In addition to a full teaching staff with educational assistants, Northeast Middle School is staffed by two administrators, an International Baccalaureate Coordinator, an AVID Coordinator, a Differentiation & Instructional Specialist, and a half time Media Specialist. Our Student Support Staff includes two school Counselors, two Social Workers, three grade specific Student Deans, a school Psychologist, two Occupational/Physical/Speech Therapists, a Nurse with a LPN staff. Stationed in our main office, we have a Lead school Secretary, An Office Specialist, a Transportation Coordinator, Bilingual program aides for Spanish and Somali speakers, and a Family/Community Liaison.

In an effort to ensure that the students in our most marginalized populations have exposure to innovative learning opportunities and culturally significant coursework, we have four English Language Learners teachers, Native programming and Ojibwe Language class,. Additionally, we offer a robust afterschool program that offers academic support as well as enrichment opportunities for theater, debate, athletics, cooking, robotics, and more.

Our cafeteria staff provides breakfast, lunch, and dinner (not on Fridays) daily to all students during which students have social and recess time. We have a crew of four Engineers who keep our building operational and clean. We collaborate with MPS and outside groups such as , Mental Health Community Collaborative Program,, CIBITS Educational Talent Search, Minnesota Youth Story Squad from the University of Minnesota College of Liberal Arts, nnd Project Success.



SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT GOALS

Northeast Middle School is classified as a Targeted Support school according to the Minnesota Department of Education new rankings that are based upon our performance on the Minnesota Comprehensive Assessment. We have three focus areas for 2025-2026: 1) By 2027 the percentage of students at Northeast Middle School making expected growth will increase from 47% to 52% on FAST a Math and from 43% to 48% on FAST a Reading. 2) By 2027, the percentage of students who attend less than 90% of the time will decrease from 39% to 33%. 3) By 2027, we will increase our consistently attending students from 57% to 65% knowing that when students consistently attend school that academic success will improve. We believe that these goals are attainable and the methods we plan to implement will prove to be successful and make our students better communicators and more responsible for their learning. Examples of these methods are:

- Students with Special Education services have an individual education plan (IEP) and receive most of their services in the general education classrooms with support from several Special Education Resource Teachers.
- We offer AVID (Achievement Via Individualized Determination) and implement AVID strategies such as planners, note-taking, and Collins Writing strategies school-wide. We believe WICOR (Writing, Inquiry, Collaboration, Organization, and Reading) strategies will best prepare Northeast students with tools required for success in high school and in post secondary pathways.
- Through professional development, staff remain engaged in the following components which sustain their professional growth and the growth of their students: Culturally-Responsive Teaching & Learning, Critical Questioning, Academic Discourse, Collin's Writing, AVID Strategies, and Writing Across the Curriculum practices. Staff are engaged in working with building and district leadership around best practices both in and out of the classroom.
- IB professional development has centered around preparing our teachers to further study IB and deepen their understanding of the program at Northeast Middle School so that our school community can comprehend the program's benefits.
- The Positive School-wide Engagement Team plans and arranges school-wide incentives, analyzes culture and climate data, and implements interventions to increase student engagement.
- The Family Involvement Plan upholds the family as the most critical element of our school culture. We will move forward with strategies like advisory-based conferences, home visits, open houses, demographic specific affinity parent groups. and family nights.

BY THE NUMBERS

Math Proficiency

- 2023—20%
- 2024—15%
- 2025—19%

Reading Proficiency

- 2023—30%
- 2024—25%
- 2025—27%

Attendance (90% or more)

- 2023—59%
- 2024—58%
- 2025—-53%

Removals

- 2023—336
- 2024— 227
- 2025— 272

Enrollment

- 2023—676
- 2024—725
- 2025—-710

TITLE ONE

Northeast is a Title One school. Title One dollars are allocated to schools based on the number of students who receive free or reduced lunch. This year, 7% of our school budget is Title One which totals $499,164.

Seventy-six percent of Northeast's Title One money helps to fund staff who are critical to the improvements we have made and want to continue to make as a school.

As a parent, you have the right...

- to know the **qualifications** of your child's **teacher**
- to know when your child has a substitute teacher for more than four weeks and the qualifications of the substitute teacher
- to know how your child's **school is rated** on its state test scores
- to expect **regular communication** with your school in a language that you can understand
- to work with other parents and staff to develop a school-level parent **compact** between the school and its families
- to help plan how money for **family involvement** should be spent
- to work with teachers, parents and the school principal to develop a **family involvement plan**
- to ask for a meeting with your school principal or your child's teacher at any time
- to participate in Site Council

MONITORING YOUR STUDENT'S PROGRESS

As a parent/guardian of a Northeast student, you can monitor the progress of your student and stay connected to the school community through the following ways:

- Parent/Teacher Conferences in October and February
- Student/Parent Portal access to check grades & attendance
- Quarterly Report Cards and Progress Reports
- Individual Learning Plans
- School and grade-level web pages and emails
- School and grade-level newsletters & robocalls
- Family Nights and extracurricular events throughout year
- Affinity Parent Groups for our different Ethnicity Groups Monthly

Interested in getting more involved? Consider the following:

- Volunteer
- Parent Teacher Organization (PTO)
- Affinity Groups
- Family Nights

Contact the main office at (612) 668-1500 for more information.

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