

# **NORTHSIDE HIGH SCHOOL**

**2012-2013 Results and 2013-2014 Next Actions**  
***Maria Johnson - School Executive***

**Mission:** *Excellence in Education*

**Vision:** *The faculty and staff of Northside High School will empower students with the ability to problem solve, think critically, become innovators, and maximize the use of technology in order to be prepared for a globalized twenty-first century.*

**Purpose Statement:** *To educate our students in order for them to become successful, global, innovative citizens.*

## **School Executive's Message:**

The hope of the faculty and staff of NSHS is that our students will realize education is the catalyst for their successful future. Our dream is Northside High School be recognized as a distinguished school both in Onslow County and statewide. We anticipate that our students will become more aware of their responsibility to themselves and others. We will prepare our students to be ethical participants in our school, community and in the world.

## **School's Strengths:**

- Algebra I Overall School Value Added report exceeds expectations-1.0
- Biology Overall School Value Added report exceeds expectations-1.8
- Eng II Overall School Value Added report met expectations-0.0
- Teachers embrace data driven instruction
- Because of teacher enthusiasm, collaboration, and dedication NSHS Graduation Rate was 92.6%.
- Exceeded state performance composite score (state-42.5%/NSHS-47.3%.)
- AVID Program has been approved to begin process of becoming first High School in Onslow County to become an AVID Demonstration Site.
- 95.7% of Federal Targets met
- Continuation and expansion of Belize Partnership.
- Planning for implementation of STEAM Academy for 2013-2014 implementation.
- Additional Technology was purchased during 2012-2013 SY

## **School's Challenges:**

- Economically Disadvantaged Students, Students with Disabilities, AIG students did not meet expected growth for ENG II.
- 71% of the students who took ENG II exam are under served
- 19.6% of students taking the Biology exam were underserved
- 59.8% of students taking the Alg I exam were underserved.
- Because of the significant gaps in the number of students able to achieve growth in the required subject areas, more focus must be placed on growth and proficiency for students with disabilities, economically disadvantaged and black students.

- ACT scores increased from the previous year; however, the scores were the lowest in the county at 48.8 composite.
- Increase the number of students tested for the ACT and the WorkKeys exams.

## **2013-2014 Focused Next Actions:**

### **Goal 1 Next Actions**

- Partner with Sylvan Learning Center to implement an intense ACT preparation course during the first semester.
- Utilize testing coordinator to disaggregate data from each benchmark test.
- Test coordinator meets individually with each teacher to discuss data from benchmark testing and develop a plan of action for each individual student.
- Have ALL staff members receive either the critical reading or tutorial PATH training for AVID
- Implement all requirements for the AVID 18<sup>th</sup> month coaching cycle for emerging site status
- Prepare for the AVID NC/SC State director/AVID eastern district director visit scheduled for Oct. 22, 2013
- Write grants for technology beyond the Jones Onslow Grant
- Continue the Belize Partnership to include a student exchange.

### **Goal 2 Next Actions**

- Implement POD Program within the STEAM Academy
- Utilize Technology as a tool for students to participate in the School of Science and Math courses
- Continue to purchase mobile computer labs until each hall has access to one
- Meet with the SLT, AVID Site Team and department chairs once per month to maintain communication amongst community and staff
- Continue to utilize the IT facilitator as a means of continually updating technology methodologies in instruction.

### **Goal 3 Next Actions**

- Implement the PEER Mediation Program
- Provide Character video Clips with corresponding lessons each Monday followed up by student reflections using an AVID methodology
- View Channel One each Tuesday followed by a student reflection using an AVID methodology
- Increase and Document the number of school-wide community service projects
- Increase the graduation rate from 92.5 % to 94%.

### **Goal 4 Next Actions**

- Pilot the STEAM Technology Tower
- Activate the restructured NSHS Booster Club
- Increase the consistency of the Sunday Scoop Program
- Continue and increase the Community events
- Recruit local businesses to adopt a subject: English, Math, Technology, Arts, Science, History, Culinary and Physical Education.

### **Goal 5 Next Actions**

- Continue to monitor teacher concerns via the “Weekly Google Doc Check up”
- Select a Math I class to utilize netbooks to incorporate the Project K-Nect Course
- Monitor the up-keep of teacher web-sites
- Increase the availability and usage of technology for individual students
- Maintain all technology devices to ensure functionality on state exam dates

### **Greatest Accomplishments in 2012-2013:**

Northside High School’s greatest accomplishment for the 2012-2013 school year was the buy-in of all staff members to become a school who believes the utilization of data driven instruction is the core of student success. Additionally, the staff agreed to work toward implementing AVID methodologies school wide and the staff committed themselves to working toward becoming the first high school AVID demonstration site in Onslow County. The partnership with Belize has blossomed into not only a teacher to teacher partnership but also a student to student partnership with students from Belize visiting NSHS during the 2013-2014 school year. Most importantly, NSHS greatest accomplishment is making students believe in the value of education as our graduation rate was 92.6%