Welcome to Northside Elementary School!

**Evidence of Success**

November 2019

**Leadership:**
- Administrative Staff:
  - Laura Huber, Principal
  - Larry McMahon, Dean of Students
  - Kathy Sierp, Administrative Assistant
  - Annika Haskin, Administrative Assistant

**Key Committees:**
- Leadership Team, Safety/MRT, Technology, PBIS, BSMT, SMT

**School Day/Learning Time:**
- Hours: 8:15 – 2:55 PM
- Before-School Hours: 6:30 - 7:50 AM
  - Surround Care
- After-School Hours: 2:55 – 6:00 PM
- Summer School Options: Reading and Math
- Kindercapers, Preschool Pals

**School Programs:**
- Title I School, English Language Learners, Breakfast, Occupational Therapy, Speech/Language, Peer Mediators, Learning Disabilities, PBIS, AGR grades: K, 1, 2 and 3, Safety Patrol, HPL – Mathematics/Lang. Arts, Student Leadership Team, Battle of the Books, Community Eligibility Provision (Free breakfast and lunch), 21st Century Community Learning Center, Strings (grades 4-5), Emotional/Behavioral Disabilities

**Race/Ethnicity**
- American Indian or Alaska Native: 0.0%
- Asian: 20.8%
- Black or African American: 5.6%
- Hispanic: 6.6%
- White non-Hispanic: 52.5%
- Two or more races: 14.5%

**Student Groups**
- Students with Disabilities: 18.0%
- Economically Disadvantaged: 79.4%
- Limited English Proficient: 18.3%

**Additional data available at:**

**Curriculum Based Achievement Indicators**
- EX: Products, performances, grades, school assessment data, etc.
  - District reading, math, and writing assessments
  - AIMS Web assessments
  - STAR assessments
  - Fitness Testing
  - Conference reports
  - Art contests and community art exhibitions
  - Teacher created assessments
  - Vocabulary Showdown
  - Art & Author Night and Music Programs
  - ACCESS for English Language Learners
  - Standards based report card
  - Curriculum specific assessments
  - Developmental Reading Assessment (DRA)
  - Online assessments through web-based programs

**High Academic Standards:**
- E2: Students will demonstrate a high level of individual success in all required and elective academic/curricular areas using multiple measures of performance.

**Unique School Programs/Accomplishments**
- Things We’re Most Proud of:
  - Northside Food Pantry
  - A dedicated, competent, and productive staff
  - Over 75% of certified staff have master's degrees and beyond
  - Volunteers include UW-L, Viterbo, RSVP, community members, Western Technical College (WTC), Big Brothers & Big Sisters, Read for Success
  - After-school programming providing extended learning opportunities for over 100 students (21st Century Grant)
  - Intervention in reading and math occurs K-5th grade
  - Parent Involvement, PTO, Family Nights, Dads’ Night
  - Positive, friendly environment
  - Walk-to-School Initiative
  - HPL offerings including: Battle of the Books, Vocabulary Show Down, Matt Hessel-Mial Writing Contest
  - After School additional dose of reading & math for targeted students
  - Community School
  - PBIS
  - Fruit/Vegetable Nutrition Grant
  - Grade Level Professional Learning Communities meet every 6 Day Cycle
  - Strong Community Partnerships including Mentoring Project
  - Professional Development School in partnership with UW-L and Viterbo University
  - Your Northside Neighborhood Clinic
  - La Crosse Area Family Collaborative partnership with La Crosse County
  - Implement Trauma Informed School Practices
  - Student Leadership Team (SLT)

**2018-2019 Forward and DLM ELA Mathematics Proficiency by All Students**

**District Mission (E1):**
Students will discover their talents and abilities and will be prepared to pursue their dreams and aspirations while contributing effectively to their local, national, and global communities.
Goals

- All students will make at least a year’s progress in reading and math over the course of the school year.
- All students will arrive on time every day.
- Race, gender, economic factors will not predict achievement.
- Every student at NS will be connected to one or more adults in addition to classroom teacher.
- All students will improve social and emotional skills.

Professional Development

Examples (not all) of professional activities:

- Instructional Coach focused on reading and math instruction
- Release days to allow for data driven decision making by staff
- CESA Workshops
- Data Driven Decision Making Workshops
- Technology In-services
- Crisis Prevention Intervention training (CPI)
- Medical Response Team training (MRT)
- PBIS training
- Consultation w/UW-L – Re: Trauma informed school implementation

Family, School, and Community Partnerships

- Family Nights
- Shared assignment notebooks or online Google Classroom communication
- 21st Century/After School Program
- Classroom buddies
- Book Fair
- PTO
- Parent volunteers
- Dad’s Night
- REAL Girls Running Club
- Boys and Girls Club
- North Branch Library
- Junior Achievement
- La Crosse Park and Recreation
- Northside Food Pantry/Festival Foods
- Student teachers/clinical students including a professional development school through UW-L and Viterbo
- Service learning projects in the community
- Clothes Closet through Trinity Church
- Fire Department fire safety programs
- DARE
- County Nutrition Education Programs
- RSVP
- WTC – Teacher assistant program
- Big Brothers and Big Sisters
- Parenting Place
- Walk to School Initiative
- Farm to School Initiative
- Fresh Fruit and Vegetable recipient
- North Presbyterian academic tutors
- YMCA swimming lessons
- Your Northside Neighborhood Clinic
- La Crosse Area Family Collaborative project
- Mental health counseling provided by community therapists

STANDARDS OF THE HEART – caring, success, potential

E3: Students will strive for mutual understanding as contributing citizens in a diverse world.
E4: Students will acquire the knowledge and skills necessary to make effective and responsible life choices.

Core Values/Citizenship Education

- Student involvement with food pantry and food drive for Salvation Army
- Junior Achievement opportunities for business values
- Service learning
- Use of Responsive Classroom
- Classroom Buddies
- STAR cards to reinforce positive behavior
- Monthly citizenship awards
- Weekly STAR card rewards
- Weekly core values theme
- Friendship groups
- Nonviolent communication
- PBIS
- Daily intentional instruction of social and emotional skills
- Ukulele Club

Guidance/Pupil Services

- Developmental guidance lessons 8+ times per year
- Small SEL skill focused group work
- Psychologist, guidance counselor, social worker, district liaisons for African American students, Hmong students and Native American students

Community Involvement/Volunteer Work

- Salvation Army Food Drive
- Volunteer tutors and mentors in the classrooms of younger students
- Community food and clothing donations
- Community garbage pick up

Assemblies/School-Wide Efforts

- Touring groups, drama, music, and story telling
- Student talent shows
- Music concerts
- Wellness theme
- Holiday sing-a-long
- Citizen of the month assemblies
- Oktoberfest family
- Hmong Dancers
- Artist in Residence

Clubs, Co-Curricular Activities

- Safety Patrol
- Student Leadership Team (SLT)
- REAL Girls
- Ukulele Club