North Middle School
Positive Behavior interventions & Supports (PBIS)

PBIS stands for *Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports.* It is a program designed to teach and encourage a positive attitude, respect, responsibility, and success at school. NMS is committed to promoting that students continuously make positive choices throughout the school day and beyond.

PBIS provides teachers and other school staff with information to help encourage and model positive behavior and make school a successful learning environment.

Research shows that the use of **PBIS** in school has resulted in increased time for instruction. It increases positive behaviors while decreasing disruptive behaviors school wide.

PBIS PAWS at NMS! NMS staff acknowledges students who are observed having a Positive attitude, Acting Responsibly, Working towards success, and Showing respect (**PAWS**). Students earn PAWS for positive behaviors which can be redeemed for a variety of acknowledgements such as a homework passes, assignment extensions, cafeteria cookies, Friday song choice, pizza lunch, and classroom-based incentives.

NMS teaches the expectations as outlined in the **Behavior Expectations Matrix** to all students and provides frequent opportunity to practice.

NMS provides a consistent, predictable, and fair use of consequences for all students.

What Parents/Guardians Can Do…

Read and discuss the **Behavior Expectations Matrix** found in your student's planner and on the NMS website under PBIS

Review the **Behavior Expectation Matrix** with your child if he or she experiences behavior problems in school

Work on a plan to help them with strategies for appropriate behaviors

Support teacher and administrative behavior decisions

Discuss problems privately with staff

Check your student's planner and the Homework On-line page on the website daily

Contact NMS and visit the PBIS Page on the NMS website if you would like more information regarding PBIS!