March 23, 2015

Dear Rising Sixth Grade Parents/Guardians:

 We are eagerly anticipating your child’s arrival to Northview Middle School. In preparation for this transition, there will be an orientation the morning of **April 16, 2015** for all fifth grade students attending Northview next school year. The program will begin at approximately 9:00 AM with a full agenda concluded by 10:30 AM. During the visit students will learn about our core classes, rotation classes, they will hear from Northview students, teachers and administrators and will participate in a guided school tour. Our Northview Chorus, Band and Orchestra are looking forward to welcoming your children with a cheerful performance and brief overview of our musical arts department.

 You are also invited to attend a Rising 6th Grade Parent Orientation the evening of **Tuesday, April 21, 2015 beginning at 6:30 PM** in the Northview gymnasium. Our sixth grade teachers, counselors, school nurse, and our administrators will be available to provide an overview of Northview and explain our procedures and expectations. You, too, will have the opportunity to enjoy performances from the Northview Chorus, Band and Orchestra.

 All students interested in band or orchestra are required to attend an information session on **Monday, April 27th** at 4pm, 5pm, or 6 pm for band, or anytime between 4pm and 6pm for orchestra. Be sure to drop in to one of the scheduled meetings - no appointment necessary. If you have questions, please call 327-6300 or email Mr. Wortman wortmanda@hickoryschools.net (band) or Mrs. Ross at rosssa@hickoryschools.net (orchestra) or Mr. Stephens at stephensan@hickoryschools.net (chorus). \*Band and orchestra require an instrument purchase or rental. Special arrangements may be available on a case by case basis, but a visit on **Monday, April 27th is first required.**

 The enclosed sixth grade registration form should be completed by you and your child, signed, and returned to your elementary school teachers no later than **Friday, April 24, 2015.**

 Our final student orientation will be held immediately prior to the start of the 2015-2016 school year and will be discussed during the April 21 evening orientation meeting.

 We are looking forward to having both you and your child as part of Northview Middle School.

Sincerely,

Stephanie Dischiavi

Principal