#### Administrators

Terri North, Principal Todd McClelland, Assistant Principal Jill Short, Assistant Principal Ross Wason, Assistant Principal

#### **School Contact Information**

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#### Student Enrollment

2015-2016: 1441 2014-2015: 1318 2013-2014: 1194 2012-2013: 1,130 2011-2012: 1,014 2010-2011: 948 2009-2010: 865

#### **Demographics**

Hispanic/Latino - 17% Asian - 24% Black - 6% White - 50% Multi-Racial - 3%

### **Certified Staff**

88 Certified Staff Members Average Years Experience: 12 Years Bachelor's Degree: 22 or 25% Master's Degree: 46 or 52.3% Specialist's Degree: 16 or 18.2% Doctoral Degree: 4 or 4.5%

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"Embrace Opportunities . . . Unlock Potential . . . Inspire Excellence

## **Academics**

#### **Core Academic Classes**

Math, Science, Social Studies, English/Language Arts, Literacy (6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> grades), Spanish (8<sup>th</sup> grade)

#### **Connections Classes**

Art, Diversified Technology, Computer Literacy, Speech and Debate (8<sup>th</sup> grade only), Study Skills (6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> grades only), Health, Physical Education, Weight Training, Chorus, Drama, Band, Science Applications, Social Studies Enrichment, Spanish (6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> grades only), Video Production (8<sup>th</sup> grade only) Business Entrepreneurship (7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade only)

#### 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Courses for High School Credit

Accelerated Algebra Geometry A Honors, Physical Science, Spanish I, Band, and Chorus

#### **Special Academic Programs**

English Language Learners (EL) Students with Disabilities Speech Gifted Advanced Studies Courses

#### **Advanced Studies Courses**

**6th Grade:** Advanced Social Studies, Advanced Math, Accelerated Math, and Advanced English/Language Arts

**7th Grade:** Advanced Math, Accelerated Math, Advanced English/Language Arts, Advanced Science, and Advanced Social Studies

**8th Grade:** Advanced Math, Accelerated Algebra Geometry A Honors, Advanced English/Language Arts, Advanced Social Studies, and Advanced Science

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## **Activities & Recognition**

- 2014 Forsyth County Teacher of the Year—Kristen Deuschle, PGMS Media Specialist
- PGMS Media Center named 2015 Judy Serrifella *Exemplary* Library Media Center in Georgia
- Grizzly Great Day of Giving—6<sup>th</sup> year (<u>www.pgmsg3.org</u>)
- County Track Championship: Girls (2010, 2014, 2015) Boys (2011 thru 2014)
- 7<sup>th</sup> Grade County Boys Basketball Championship (2010-2011)
- First Place in the Georgia State VEX Robotics Middle School Championship (2014 and 2015)
- Georgia MathCounts Regional Competition, First Place Team Winner (2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015)
- Georgia MathCounts State Competition, Second Place Team Winner (2012)

## **School History**

Piney Grove Middle opened its doors in 2007 with Ms. Terri North as the school's first principal. The 750 new students had previously attended South Forsyth and Vickery Creek middle schools, which were both over student capacity. The school was named for the prior Piney Grove School in the area, which dated back to before 1907. The school received its name due to the abundance of pine tree groves in this part of south Forsyth County. We welcome you to our diverse, professional learning community—a place alive with energy and enthusiasm...and aolden opportunities for all!

## Academic Extra-Curricular Activities

Spelling Bee, Geography Bee, Optimist Oratorical Contest, MathCounts Competition, Math Educontest, Young Georgia Authors Competition, Social Science Fair, Science Fair, Georgia Technology Fair, PTSA Reflections Contest, Academic Bowl Competitions, Science Olympiad, and VEX Robotics Tournaments

> Athletics are offered for  $7^{th}$  and  $8^{th}$  grade students. Please visit our school website for more information.

#### **Clubs and Organizations**

Academic Bowl, Art Club, Band, Book Club, Bowling Club, Chorus, Craft Club, Cross Country Club, Dr. Who Club, Eco/Environmental Club (The Green Grizzlies), Equestrian Club, Fantasy Football Club, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Future Teachers of America, Interact Grizzlies Club, Intramurals, Jr. Beta Club, Junior DECA, Junior Thespians, Just One Africa, Math Club, Multicultural Club, Olympic Weightlifting, Peer Leaders, PGMS Musical (Drama), Photography Club, Sea Perch, Science Club, Science Olympiad, Student Government, Transition Club, VEX Robotics Club, Yearbook, You Go Girl Club

#### Student Recognition Programs

Read More Books! Eat More Chicken! (bi-monthly), PRIDE Award (quarterly), Triple A - Academic Achievement Award Celebration (semester), End-of-Year Awards Celebrations (by grade level) and Athletic Awards Celebrations (by sport)