

North Springs Charter High School 2016-17 Highlights and Achievements

Academics & Scholarships

- 2017 Advanced Placement Honor School for STEM, Humanities, AP Merit, and AP Access and Support
- 2016 Most Challenging High School for Academic rigor by The Washington Post
- 90% graduation rate continues
- School Governance Council wins \$174K for seed fund grant
- 3-2017 National Merit Finalists; 9 Commended Scholars
- 3- 2017 Governors Honors Finalists in social studies, math and drama; 1 alternate in music
- 45 students accepted to UGA (61% acceptance rate)

Math & Science

- 18 Spartans accepted to Georgia Tech (47% acceptance rate)
- Science Olympiad is 2017 Region champ, competes at STATE
- 3 Spartans advance to 2017 STATE Science fair
- 71 AP Calculus students compete in COMAP global math modeling competition
- NS hosts 7th annual successful STEAM Showcase for partner SSEF
- NS creates STEAM Advisory board; visits STEAM schools & develops new business alliances and strategic partnerships
- All AP and Honors Chemistry students compete in 2017 Chem Olympiad

Career, Technical & Leadership

- Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) again wins 2017 Superior Gold Chapter of the Year.
- 20 FBLA students place in the 2017 STATE Top 10 and 13 are advancing to Nationals this summer in Anaheim, CA.; Chic Fil-A marketing intern named to Who's Who in GA FBLA
- Work Based Learning is premier WBL program in Fulton County: over 250 students apply for 2017-18, avg GPA of accepted students is 91.23 and nearing the 100 off-campus internship placement goal
- 20 Architecture/Construction and Design students inducted into ACE mentorship program and attend CEFGA Job Expo
- JA Fellows students win 2017 Georgia Company of the Year, Most Innovative Product, Best Product Design and Best Social Media Award and will compete at Nationals this summer

- Graphic Design students present ad concepts for Sandy Springs' Olympus Worldwide Chauffeured Services; selected ad runs in March national magazine followed by April issue with feature story highlighting the partnership
- U Media lifestyle communications agency inducts 8 NS interns who will design publication cover art and advertisements, plan and decorate gala for publication launch
- 13 Business students earn Microsoft Office Specialist Certification
- 6 HOSA students (future healthcare professionals) are 2017 STATE finalists, 3 students will compete at Nationals; include STATE first place winner for Medical Assisting
- AV Tech/Video Broadcast produce PSA for Sandy Springs Police
- CTE Academy hosts outstanding 2nd annual 2017 Career Expo during CTE Month of special activities

Visual & Performing Arts

- Piano student to perform at Carnegie Hall in May as finalist in American Protégé competition
- Music student accepted to prestigious Curtis Institute, only oboist selected
- Student selected to All State Chorus and elite Georgia All State Sight Reading choir
- New music recording studio opens; music technology class among most popular courses
- Jazz musician accepted with full ride to University of Miami and Berklee School of Music
- Advanced Band wins all superiors and A's in every category at large group performance
- Outstanding North Springs theater program featured in Aug/Sept 2016 Living Northside
- Former Spartan and Dukes of Hazzard star John Schneider visits NS for seminar with aspiring film, theater and arts magnet students
- Spartan Art Gallery reopens with a big opening reception and work by over 50 students
- Art Magnet students visit UGA's Lamar Dodd School of Art and Amici Italian Café in Athens where over 50 students work exhibited
- 10 art students selected for 2017 Roswell Visual Arts Center's juried show
- Tartuffe wins 5 awards at Georgia Theater Conference, Sister Act is nominated for outstanding choreography in upcoming Shuler Awards
- NS students participate in 2017 Common Ground Deconstruction – only high school invited

Spartan Nation Foundation and PTO

- Awarded \$10,000 from the Sandy Springs Society, \$4195 from City of Sandy Springs, and \$1,000 from SSEF for Recording Studio & Music Technology Classroom
- Awarded \$1989 from Northside Hospital Foundation Grant for health and life science
- Dispersed nearly \$20,000 in Teacher Grants
- Raised \$16,000 in Silent Auction Spartan Spectacular

Humanities

- World history students travel to Japan over Spring Break 2017
- Student competes in national Chinese Proficiency Competition held in April in Texas, first time ever representing the southeast US high schools
- The 2016 Echo Literary Magazine wins Superior rating from GA Scholastic Press Association
- 2 Spartans win Outstanding Delegation at Georgia 2017 Model UN Conference
- 2 students advance to 2017 Georgia Student Media Festival
- 7 Spartans are Library of Congress cardholders after 2017 AP Gov trip to Washington DC
- NS hosts Frankly Speaking: A Conversation with Dr. Beverly Tatum

Athletics

- 2017 Girls Track 4x4 relay again ranked #1 in USA; breaks schools record
- 2016 Girls Track wins 2nd consecutive STATE Championship
- Fox 5 presents High5 Trophy to 2016 Spartans as their Football Team of the Week
- 12- 2016-17 Spartan Sports: Volleyball, Softball, Football, Swimming, Girls' Basketball, B/G Soccer, B/GTennis, Baseball and Track advance to STATE playoffs!
- 16 Spartan Athletes to date have signed letters of intent to compete at the collegiate level in Football (Washington U), Swimming (South Carolina), B/G Lacrosse (Goucher & Brenau), baseball (Brown), basketball, girl's track (Kennesaw)
- Sophomore wins GHSFU Girls Epee Championship in Fencing!