

Continue your child's Journey of Excellence  
at Shea Middle School.

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## Shea Middle School

The mission of Shea Middle School is to create an environment where your child can unleash his or her full potential.



# Why Choose Shea Middle School?

The middle school years are an important time for students, as they truly begin to shape and craft who they want to be as adults. At Shea, we care about the development of the whole child. Our commitment to our community is to challenge and support students academically, provide them with a rich arts and extracurricular experience, and help them develop character traits that will prepare them to be successful in high school and beyond.

Here are a few of the ways we prepare students:

- We offer a comprehensive education in the arts through our North Valley Arts Academies and provide an expanded artistic experience in Theater, Dance, Visual Arts and Music Technology far greater than you can find in most school settings.
- All students utilize strategies from Advancement Via Individual Determination (AVID), a nationally recognized program that promo research-based strategies and methods to help prepare students for success in high school and college.
- Middle school is a time of change for teens, and in this time of change, we work to instill “Shea Values” into our students. These character traits focus on developing strong and independent thinkers.

## Scorpion Values

- **Empathy:** Valuing, respecting, and understanding another person’s views.
- **Self-control:** Delaying gratification and resisting temptation.
- **Integrity:** Developing and sticking to your values.
- **Embracing diversity:** Recognizing and appreciating the differences among us.
- **Grit:** Creating passion and perseverance for a goal.

At Shea Middle School, it is our commitment to create an environment where your teen can unleash his or her full potential. We build relationships with students so that we can stretch and challenge their academic, social and emotional growth each day.

## A Message from the Principal

Shea Middle School is located at the base of scenic Shadow Mountain in the growing and revitalized North 32nd Street area of Phoenix. We exist to serve our community by producing students of high academic achievement and strength of character. Shea offers students the nationally recognized Advancement Via Individual Determination (AVID) program, using research-based strategies to help prepare students for college. Honors classes are available in Math, Social Studies, English, and Science. Students have ample access to technology with plenty of opportunities to expand their learning utilizing technology.

We also are proud to house the North Valley Arts Academies, a rigorous arts experience designed to give students who are serious about artistic pursuits a creative space to grow. Students in the arts programs have worked with professional artists, performed a world premiere of a theater work, helped design a mural for our city, and have hosted their own arts festival. Students can choose from Dance, Visual Arts, Theater and a one-of-a-kind Music Technology class.

We also are passionate about helping students become young men and young women of character. Our Shea Values of Empathy, Self-Control, Integrity, Embracing Diversity, and Grit permeate our school culture, and we create environments where these characteristics can thrive. We honor students who display these characteristics through our Shea Sting Cards and our quarterly celebrations. We hope to help shape men and women who will make a lasting impact on our society.

We know you will find Shea Middle School a great place to be. We are dedicated to creating an environment where your child can do their best work. Please feel free to contact us with questions or come by for a visit and experience what makes Shea great!

In your service,



Scott Lawrence  
Principal, Shea Middle School



## Premier Programs

### North Valley Arts Academies (NVAA)

Students gain real-world experiences in Theater, Dance, Fine Arts, and Music Technology. Learn more at [pvschools.net/nvaa](http://pvschools.net/nvaa).



### Advancement Via Individual Determination (AVID)

All students benefit from this globally recognized program that utilizes proven practices to prepare students for success in high school, college and career.

### Robust Selection of Elective Classes

We offer a wide range of diverse elective classes to address the education of the whole child. Students can take courses in Band, Choir, Strings, Guitar, Art, PE, Technology, Video Production, Spanish and French.



### Opportunities to Serve

Heritage Veterans Project sends students to interview Veterans and compile their stories in an annual book. The National Junior Honor Society reaches out to our community through various service projects.

## Clubs and Activities

### Festival Sports

We offer a unique Festival Sports program, which allows any student who is interested in playing a sport to participate and compete. Students then can try out for our All-Star Teams. Shea Middle School offers softball, baseball, basketball, track and field, football, volleyball and wrestling.



## What Parents Have to Say

- Ninety-six percent of parents feel that academic expectations are appropriate for their teen’s grade level.
- Ninety-three percent of parents feel that classroom activities are relevant and engaging.

“This is our first year at Shea Middle School, and we are extremely satisfied and impressed with the school and staff. The school with the leadership of principal Lawrence is outstanding and very organized. I see great things happening in the coming years! ”

**Michelle Collins,**  
parent of a Shea Middle School student

“I would recommend this program [North Valley Arts Academies at Shea Middle School] to other parents and students as it offers students an opportunity to strengthen skills in the areas that they are passionate about. Students get to practice and build relationships with others who share their interest daily, and because the program is designed to work across schools and disciplines. ”

**Robyn Ratcliff,**  
parent of a Shea Middle School student

## Shea Achievements

- PBISaz Achievement Awards for their successful implementation of School-Wide Positive Behavior Interventions and Support - Merit Award - 2018



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