

**THE NEW MIDDLE SCHOOL
ANNUAL REPORT 2005-6
EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Our first year as The New Middle School has been exemplary thanks to the generous support of parents, board members, volunteers, business partners and foundations, especially The Fondren Foundation. We are humbled by and grateful for their belief in us. Perhaps the best way to highlight our accomplishments is simply to list our own “Top Dozen” accomplishments. We thank all of our wonderful friends and supporters and look forward to another good year in 2006-7.

1. Obtained 501c3 status and established an independent Board of Directors and a Community Advisory Board.
2. Served 19 families and children in The New Middle School, including regular Parent Helper work. A generous scholarship program assisted needy families.
3. Served 200+ students and teachers through our all-volunteer Outreach Program.
4. Doubled our capacity to serve children and families with the addition of the adjoining property at 407 Heights Boulevard.
5. Accredited by the Alliance of Psychoanalytic Schools—the only school in Houston to successfully meet their standards. Received the APsaA’s national award for outreach to schools and teachers, particularly for work with Hurricane Katrina victims. Provided complimentary office space to Katrina clinicians.
6. Created a unique emotional curriculum that helps students excel academically.
7. Balanced our budget and operated in “the black.” Not one penny of tuition or donations went to pay the rent and other expenses of a parent organization
8. Published a monthly student newspaper with regular mailings to the mental health and educational communities.
9. Benefited from 1,861 hours of professional time donated by volunteers at the Ph.D. and M.D. level of training.
10. Developed an informative website.
11. Created “Arts in the Afternoon” and a “Summer Theme Park Adventure” to develop young adolescents’ social skills.
12. Shared our successful techniques at national workshops and conferences.