

Angela Beason, daughter of Fred and Phyllis Bolden, grew up in Warner Robins and graduated from Northside High School in 1990. As a student, Angela was a member of Ensemble, One-Act Plays, Spring Musicals, Miss Northside pageant Top 10, Beta Club, Optimist Student of the Month, Golden Eagle award nominee in music, and Literary Region champion in Solo Piano. After graduating from Northside, Angela attended Berry College on a Winshape Scholarship, graduating in December 1993, and returning to Northside in January 1994 to begin her 30+ years teaching career as a math teacher. She became a military spouse when she married Bubba Beason in December 1994 and continued teaching at Northside until their family was transferred in 1998. As a military spouse, she not only continued her teaching career, but also began working with Gold Star Families, who have lost a loved one in military service. Angela has been recognized as Arkansas VFW State Teacher of the Year. She currently serves on the board of Arkansas Run for the Fallen, an organization whose mission is to honor Arkansans who have died in military service and provide support to Gold Star families. She serves as camp coordinator for Arkansas Gold Star Kids Camp. Angela also serves as the location coordinator for Wreaths across America at Little Rock National Cemetery where more than 22,000 veterans are laid to rest. She has been recognized nationally for her volunteer work honoring America's fallen heroes and their families. Angela is the 2018 recipient of the Wreaths across America TEACH award, which is given annually to an individual or group who has made a large contribution in TEACHING the next generation to Remember and Honor those who serve in our nation's military. She and her husband Bubba were also recognized as the very first Legacy of Service recipients for the Woody Williams Foundation, a nonprofit that honors Gold Star Families. This work gives Angela an opportunity to give back to those who have sacrificed so that we can have the freedoms that we enjoy today. She now serves as a High School Assistant Principal in Arkansas, crediting her love of education to her start at Northside High School.

## What does Northside High School mean to you?

Northside means family...it means excellence in all things. Northside has provided me with lifelong friendships, exemplary mentors, and a strong foundation. "It's Great to be a Northside Eagle."