Wawona Middle School

This school site is named for an important area of the southern part of the Yosemite National Park which includes a basin. It was given that name in 1875 by the Washburn brothers who owned title to the area at the time. "Wawona" is a local Indian name meaning "big tree". The name "Wawona" was given to the area because of the proximity of the Wawona Grove of Sequoia Gigantea trees, which contained the world famous "tunnel tree" which was for generations pictured in geography texts throughout the world.

The school currently serves children in grades 7-8 and appears in the 1958-59 Fresno Unified School District directory. It is located at 4524 North Thorne.