

Newport Independent Schools
DIRECTOR of PUPIL PERSONNEL and STUDENT SERVICES REPORT
1/24/2017

- **TSA Security Audit – Mr. Grayson and I met with Inspector Bolser of the Transportation Safety Administration. TSA performed a safety audit for us in November and presented us with the results. We definitely have some improvements to make. We did okay on our procedures; but, were marked down for not having them well documented. This should be an easy improvement to make. We also have the Ky. Center for School Safety doing an audit as well. We will include TSA in on their debriefing so that we can develop a plan for improvement based on all the information.**
- **Attendance Rate –With the short week of cold and sickness our attendance rate for last week was 93%. I feel this is good for us as other schools are closing due to weather and sickness. With several weeks left of Flu season and the severity of the Flu this year we are monitoring attendance and sickness daily.**
- **Enrollment at Schools – Angie Hall and I have trained and provided materials to the staff at each school that will be involved in the enrollment process. We are hoping that with placing enrollment back in the schools we can continue good customer service by allowing parents to enroll all children at one school rather than having to go to each building to enroll. As with any process communication among the schools is key and we are encouraging good communication as well as good customer service.**

Newport Primary School Family Resource Center Board Report – 1/19/18
Molly B. Wesley

Services directly provided by FRC:

- Molly has done 70 home visits so far this school year (to complete FRAM forms, to deliver attendance letters, to verify residency when mail is returned, to contact parents when a phone number is not working, to deliver Christmas gifts, etc.)
- Riverfront Kiwanis vouchers (\$30 to either Burlington Coat Factory in Latonia, or to Kmart in Edgewood) – 32
- Charities Guild of Northern Kentucky \$30 vouchers for shoes at Burlington Coat Factory – 7
- 444 items of clothing have been distributed to students from the FRC clothing closet, for accidents that occurred during the school day, or for students wearing clothing inappropriate for the weather, etc.
- The FRC assisted in obtaining clothing for 50 students from the Care Closet, a voluntary organization that matches donations with needs in the community.
- Sara Collini is a Masters in Social Work student at NKU, and Molly is providing weekly supervision, and her daily tasks/activities are being supervised by Kristy McNally.

- Newport Central Catholic sophomores are matched with NPS 2nd grade students as pen pals for the school year, and this relationship will culminate on February 27th with the NCC students coming to spend the morning with their 2nd grade “pals,” doing activities.
- The FRC distributes PowerPacks (provided by the Freestore Foodbank) to 75 students (identified as being chronically hungry) each week
- The FRC has provided backpacks to at least 16 students
- Advisory Council meetings:
September 22
November 15
January 24
- Newport Service Providers meetings:
August 21
September 18
October 23
November 20
December 5
January 16
- Holiday Assistance – 38 community organizations and/or individuals provided Holiday gifts for 167 NPS students and their siblings
- Bornlearning Academy workshop series since last report:
December 5
January 9 – 67 people in attendance (12 adults participated in workshops or Parent Support group; 30 children participated in Skool Aid activities or child care; 5 Christ’s Chapel volunteers prepared and served the meal; 4 Brighton Center Youth Leadership Development youth assisted in caring for children younger than Kindergarten; 2 Cooperative Extension staff did activities with adults & children, 2 Star Glazers staff assisted children in decorating pottery; 4 child care staff cared for children younger than Kindergarten; 1 Brighton Center YLD staff supervised the YLD youth; 1 bornlearning Facilitator; 2 bornlearning Coordinators, 1 Parent Support group facilitator; 1 Newport Primary School administrator).
- November 30 – Molly attended the mandatory Region 4 FRYSC Coordinators meeting at General Butler State Park
- December 2 – 9:00-noon – NPS cafeteria was open to the public, and St. Vincent de Paul hosted their annual coat distribution for adults (51 men, 68 women) and children (163), for a total of 282 coats distributed
- Molly has been connecting community members with mattresses, box springs, bed platforms, and odds and ends furniture items that were donated by Wayfair through Mrs. Hayden.

Additional activities hosted, or which the FRC Coordinator was directly involved:

- Molly collaborates with Cabinet for Health & Family Services workers when investigations are occurring in households where NPS students live

- The FRC assists in supporting systems for community after-school programs to recruit, enroll, communicate and transport students from school to their programs (i.e., Boys & Girls Club, Children Inc., Salvation Army, Brighton Center).
- NPS employees continue to access the Employee Assistance Program through St. Elizabeth Hospital, allowing them (and their household members) to get 8 free sessions with a mental health provider. The FRC pays for this service with non-grant money.
- The FRC assists in recruiting referrals for NPS students who could benefit from a Lunch Buddy (weekly mentoring through Big Brother Big Sister of Greater Cincinnati), and then provides support as the BB/BS staff match students with adult mentors (i.e., space, schedule, communication with teacher, communication between BB/BS staff and families, etc.). Currently NPS has 20 students matched with Lunch Buddies.
- The FRC assists in obtaining commitments, space, referral processes, etc. for community mental health organizations (NorthKey is on site 5 days a week, NKU counseling department, Greater Cincinnati Behavioral Health, Mebs and Associates).
- November 20 – Family Fun Night – Thanksgiving dinner and theme – 237 were in attendance!!!

Upcoming events:

- Girl Scouts “Think Like A Toy Designer S.T.E.M.” After School Program – will be held over the next 6 Tuesday afternoons for 25 NPS girls. Molly will be on-site to assist with the program. Several NHS students will be volunteering to assist as well.
- Newport Schools’ enrollment process is changing, and Molly attended a training on January 16, and will be available to assist with enrollment during the summer
- FRYSC Continuation Program Plan for FY19-20 is due March 1st.
- February 6 – bornlearning Academy workshop #5
- March 1 – Regional FRYSC meeting at Grant County Board of Ed
- March 6 – bornlearning Academy workshop #6
- March 13 – bornlearning Academy graduation