# Newport Independent Schools DIRECTOR STUDENT SERVICES & DPP REPORT 5/22/2019

Madame Chair and members of our board of education, as normal, worthy news continues in the Newport Independent School District. As usual, I want to praise all of our service providers for the amazing work they continue to do for our students and families. As characteristic, there are many significant assists and activities that are occurring and I am pleased to share them with all of you. They are as follows:

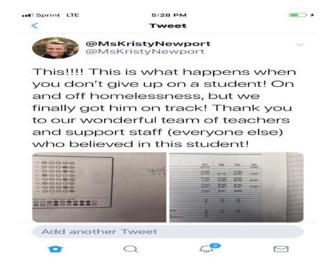
- ✓ NSTEP (Newport Service, Tools and Empowerment Project) Coordinator, Kristy McNally:
  - o 127 total home visits completed for new enrollments with affidavits/shelter residence
  - o Current number of students exp. homelessness/living in transition

<b>March</b>	<u>April</u>	<u>May</u>
<b>65 NPS</b>	<b>68 NPS</b>	<b>70 NPS</b>
<b>54 NIS</b>	<b>60 NIS</b>	<b>60 NIS</b>
<b>59 NHS</b>	<b>64 NHS</b>	<b>66 NHS</b>
Total 2019: 203		

May of 2018: 247

- Lived/living in: Shelter-27 Hotel-16 Doubled up-147 Uninhabitable Housing-13
- Stock the Kitchen is open 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursdays of each month from 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.
  - Serves close to 300 unduplicated individuals
- Classes/Programs:
  - Diversity Wildcats-NIS Edition in partnership with UpSpring
    - Met Mondays and Thursdays-
- o | Diversity Wildcats-NPS Edition-lead by myself and Molly Wesley
  - Met Tuesdays
- NHS Support Team at NHS (for MV Students) started Jan 15 in partnership with UpSpring –focus on College/Career Readiness and Social Emotional Supports/Linkages to Teachers/Resources
  - Rolling Wildcat –NIS Family Night May 23-Flower Truck and Pop Up Produce
  - Running Club-NIS 20 girls attending-Candy Race 5k May
     25
- Transportation:
  - Assisting 4 other school districts:
    - Cab provided (one way) for 3 families (Campbell County, Kenton County & Covington Independent Schools)
    - Cab provided (one way) for 8 families (Newport)
    - Gas Card provided for 2 Newport families
    - Transporting 2 NHS students from Homeward Bound

- Receiving assistance from 2 school districts (Campbell County and Covington Independent)
- Brag Box See Kristy's Tweet:



- ✓ Newport Primary FRC Coordinator, Molly Wesley reports:
  - As of May 16, 2019, the following were distributed to students since the last monthly report:
    - 99 items of clothing and/or shoes from the FRC clothing closet (many thanks to all of the individuals who donate their gently used clothing and shoes to the FRC)
    - 2 backpacks
    - 13 total home visits during this time (10 for attendance, 1 for medical information, 1 for enrollment information, and 1 to deliver Sweet Cheeks diapers)
    - 8 NPS families with infant/toddler/special needs children received Sweet Cheeks diapers this month (through partnership with the Care Closet)
    - The following items were given to various students/families during the month: laundry detergent, dish detergent, Kroger gas card, garbage bags, toothbrush, toothpaste, dental floss
    - Molly delivered Children Inc. after school paperwork to a parent in St. Elizabeth (whose NPS child will need alternate after school care arrangements after the Boys and Girls Club closes for the school year)
    - 85 PowerPacks per week are given to NPS students on Fridays
  - o Sixteen NPS classrooms are participating in partnerships through the Adopt a Class program, including Crossroads Church, Mars Chocolate, United Way, Citibank (2), Brighton Center, USI Insurance (2), Red Hot Promotions (The Think Shop), PricewaterhouseCoopers, Christ's Chapel, US Bank, Movement Church, Prysmian Group (formerly General Cable), Clerk's

- Office at the US Court of Appeals for the 6<sup>th</sup> Circuit, and the Cincinnati Reds. At least once a month, a different Adopt a Class partner is being featured on the school's website and Facebook page, as a way to recognize their contributions to NPS students!
- Nineteen (19) Lunch Buddies (Big Brother Big Sister, school-based mentoring) are spending 45-minutes together at lunchtime each week, and applications have gone home with students who may be matched with a Lunch Buddy in the future.
- 15 students are walking to the Boys & Girls Club after school with B&G Club staff.
- NPS students are able to receive mental health therapy on-site through Greater Cincinnati Behavioral Health, MEBS & Associates, NorthKey, and our school counselor. Many students also see outside agencies (i.e., Holly Hill, Therapeutic Collaborative) for therapy. Molly receives calls regularly from case managers at MEBS Associates, regarding common clients.
- Students at NPS continue to be encouraged to recycle items at school, and to continue to collect plastic lids to recycle into additional "Buddy Benches" and/or other furniture for the school. MANY THANKS to Brighton Center's Youth Leadership Development Club for sorting lids for us, as a service project!! Also, ReNewport has given the NPS Family Resource Center a \$500 grant to assist with the purchase of a couple of more benches at this summer's cap delivery!
- Molly serves on the NPS attendance committee, with Brian Zepf, Brenda Elgin, Mr. Atkins, Debbie Roaden, and Kristy McNally – this group meets every other week to discuss interventions, etc.
- To date, Molly has worked with Debbie Mollette (and the organization through which her dog was certified as a therapy dog) for a variety of dogs to come to visit the special needs students in Ms. Zimmerman's classroom, twice during most weeks!
- Molly arranged for a Notre Dame Academy math student to tutor a 2<sup>nd</sup> grade NPS student after school in math twice a week.
- Besides NPS Administration and KEA, Movement Church and Keturah Street Church of God both provided breakfast (on different days) during staff appreciation week.
- Molly and Kristy McNally met with a potential Masters level Social Work student about being an intern next school year.
- April 18 Arts and STEM Family Fun Night at NPS. Newport Central Catholic Spanish Club members made peanut butter and jelly sandwiches, and put them in a bag with a clementine (provided by Keturah Street Church of God) and milk.
- May 3 Molly attended a Professional Development training at the Underground Railroad Freedom Center, sponsored by Mental

- Health America and called "Education Summit: A Community Approach to Resiliency."
- O May 6 Adopt a Class day at the Reds game
- May 7 Molly attended the monthly Service Providers Meetings facilitated by Colonel Wills
- May 8 NPS/FRC Advisory Council meeting (FY20 budget approved)

### **✓** Upcoming Classes/Programs:

- o May 17 Preschool end-of-year celebration
- o May 18 Crossroads Church volunteer group at NPS
- May 21 meet about Sierra Club for next school year
- May 24 Field Day (tentative)
- o May 29 Senior Walk at NPS!
- o May 29 awards and 2<sup>nd</sup> grade family picnic
- o June 25 Early Childhood carnival
- o June 1 NHS graduation
- June 5 Region 4 FRYSC meeting Gateway College
- o June 7 Adopt a Class year end celebration Mayerson JCC
- o June 13 Fairlane Baptist Church volunteer group at NPS
- July 8 August 8 Me and My School for incoming Kindergarten students
- o July 15-17 Victory Over Violence conference
- o August 6 Home Visit Day, Newport Night Out

## ✓ Newport Intermediate School FRC Coordinator, Amber Onkst reports:

- O PBIS- FRC continues to serve on the Implementation committee, which meets monthly. FRC also runs the Cat's Store twice monthly for students to purchase prizes with the cat's cash they have earned for their positive behaviors.
- Club 312 -The FRC co-hosts an after-school program on Wednesdays. Currently, we have about 15-20 girls that attend consistently.
- Running Club- FRC is paying for two staff to facilitate this afterschool running club. The club meets twice a week and has fifteen girls registered to attend. FRC also runs with the girls as an extra adult when running off campus.
- HEARTS tutoring- We have added another student to this program bringing the total to 8 students receiving targeted tutoring after school.
- O KY OSA- NIS is hosting our last family night for this school year on May 23<sup>rd</sup> at 5pm. We will be having dinner (RSVP needed), bounce houses, Math games, giant checkers and connect 4, face painting, take-home literacy activities, info booths for summer academic enrichment programs, staff dunk tank and more!
- o Big Brothers Big Sisters- This program continues to provide approximately 70 students with weekly mentoring. FRC has planned

- an end of the year celebration on May  $23^{\rm rd}$  as a thank you to all our big.
- o Anthony Munoz Foundation- FRC sponsored 14 students who attended the AMF football camp along with FRC's intern.
- Alumni Project- FRC and YSC are meeting regularly with Newport Alumni to develop a long-term mentorship program for students grades 6-12<sup>th</sup>, pairing students with a Newport Alum to encourage academic performance and college/or career readiness. Tentative start date is fall 2019.
- Courageous Kids- FRC has been a part of the planning committee to start a support group over the summer for students who have an incarcerated parent. This group will meet twice a month beginning May 7<sup>th</sup>.
- Care Closet- The Care Closet continues to serve students on a weekly basis who have a need at home that is affecting their education.
- Teacher Appreciation Week-FRC has worked with the Masonic Lodge to arrange for NIS staff to receive lunch on Wednesday, May 8<sup>th</sup>
- o Greenlight for Girls- FRC sponsored and chaperoned fifteen 6<sup>th</sup> grade girls to attend this STEM conference at the University of Cincinnati.
- School Beautification- 7 Hills will be here on May 13<sup>th</sup> to help paint motivational quotes and inspirations in the school bathrooms.
- Adopt A Class- FRC has assisted in scheduling 6 classes field trips with their Adopt A Class sponsors.
- Home visits- FRC has been assisting Principal, Asst. Principal, Sp. Ed., Counselor, nurse practitioner and secretary with completing home visits related to attendance, behavior, health concerns and special education needs.
- 21<sup>st</sup> Century- FRC attended the 21<sup>st</sup> Century initial meeting with KDE for our new grant that was awarded. KDE also presented the school with the check for \$490,000.
- Power Packs- Lakeside Christian Church hosted their last power pack packing for weekend food bags for students. They were able to pack enough bags that FRC will be able to provide food bags for both 21<sup>st</sup> Century summer program and summer school.
- Child Abuse Prevention- FRC participated in the Big Event for child abuse prevention. FRC along with other NKY FRYSCs hosted a booth to educate the community on the role and resources of the FRYSC centers within our school to help meet students' need.
- A Novel Lunch- FRC has begun recruitment for our summer reading club, which will be held in July and August for NIS students.
- Summer Musical Camp- FRC is sponsoring/chaperoning students who would like to attend Musical Camp, where they will learn skills related to singing, dancing, acting and stage design. This will be held every Wednesday throughout the summer.

## **✓** Upcoming Events:

- o 5/919- Advisory Council Meeting
- o 5/10/19- K-PREP decorating
- o 5/21/19- Courageous Kids
- o 5/22/19- Special Education Field Trip to Kings Island
- o 5/23/19- Party at the Playground Family night
- o 6/5/19- Summer Musical (weekly on Wednesdays during the summer)
- o 6/5/19- Wildcat Camp Kick-off
- o 6/6/19- Regional FRYSC Training
- o 6/7/19- Adopt-A-Class End of the Year Celebration and Networking Event
- o 7/2/19- A Novel Lunch (weekly on Tuesdays in July and August)
- o 7/15-7/17/19- Victory Over Violence Conference (FRYSC)

#### ✓ Newport High School YSC Coordinator, Donna Watts reports:

- YSC Coordinator made 15 Attendance Home Visits
- o Continues to make Basic Need Home Visits
- YSC continues to provide school supplies, clothing, bus tokens, food and hygiene products for students and families
- YSC Coordinator made and passed out 85 Thank you bags for Teacher/Staff Appreciation Week
- Coordinator continues to refer students to local mental & physical health agencies
- Coordinator continues to sponsor and promote Student of the Week and Student of the Month programs
- o Coordinator attended monthly Service Providers meeting
- o Coordinator attended FRYSC Region 4 Coordinators Meeting
- Posted Employment opportunities for: Newport Parks and Recreation, City of Newport Code Enforcement and Erlanger Window Cleaner
- Coordinator held 4 After Prom meetings
- o Coordinator made referrals for 5 girls to Wildcat Beauty Boutique
- Coordinator made referrals for students to attend NAACP Senior Salute Awards Luncheon
- Coordinator held YSC Advisory Council Meeting
- Coordinator Uploaded Revised Budget to FRYSC First
- o Coordinator assisted with Truancy Diversion Program Meeting
- o YSC Hosted Abe Lincoln Presentation for 7th and 8th grade students
- O Purchase Caps, Gowns and After Prom Tickets for students ☐ Hosted Tuxedo Review – Folchi Tuxedo
- o Donated money to Senior Skip Day for Food
- Donated money for T-Shirts and Kona Ice of Wildcat Way Awards All A – A/B – Perfect Attendance students
- Donated T-shirts for Senior Community Service Learning Project
- Thank you to all who attended volunteered or donated money, prizes and gifts for the After Prom.

- The After Prom took place on Saturday April 27 to Sunday morning April 28 at NHS.
  - Thanks Dr. Orman, Amy Gilkison and Ramona Malone for placing Hawaiian leis on our students as they entered the auditorium doors.
  - Thanks to Rachel Ball for attending planning meetings, donating Reds tickets, supervising the cafeteria area and working a booth.
  - Thank you Melissa Sheffel for attending all the planning meetings sorry your son wouldn't let you attend the event.
  - Thanks Lisa Hightchew for attending all the planning meetings and for you and Tete Turner running out to get extra food and prizes.
  - Thank you to all board members for the monetary donation and your support each year!
  - In attendance were 75 NHS students and of their 20 guest
  - In addition, 32 Parent, Staff and Alumni Volunteers
  - \$25,000.00 gifts, prizes and food were passed out
  - The Hula dancers, Disc Jockey, Hypnotist, Air Brush Painter and Caricature Artist all enjoyed themselves as well.
- Chaperoned four events:
  - Spring Break College Tours
  - University of Kentucky Tour with Juniors
  - Gateway Community and Tech College Tour Erlanger & Boone campuses
  - University of Cincinnati Tour with Seniors
- ✓ Additional Activities hosted or which the center coordinator was directly involved
  - o Three Upward Bound Meetings
  - o One Recruitment meeting
  - YSC Donated money for food for 7th and 8th grade dance
  - Attended ReNewport Board Meeting
  - Worked Wednesday showing of Shrek the Musical
  - o Assisted with Varsity Cheerleading Banquet
  - o Participated in ReNewport Tree Planting Project
  - o Recruited students for Music Video Stop Bullying
  - o Recruited 7th grade boys for Anthony Munoz Impact Camp
- ✓ Upcoming events of notes for this and next month
  - o Donation of dresses to Cinderella Closet
  - o Re-Newport Beatification Project meeting
  - Senior Cook-Out
  - o Region 4 FRYSC Standards Training
  - o Region 4 FRYSC Meeting
  - o Summer Leadership, Fitness and Reading Program begins
  - o Anthony Munoz Co-Ed Football Academy at Paul Brown Stadium

- ✓ NISD 21<sup>st</sup> Century Erin Comfort, NHS reports:
  - Club Update: All 21st Century Afterschool Clubs run from 2:45-6:00, Monday through Friday
  - o 150+ NHS students participating, average 33 a day in an after school clubs, 8<sup>th</sup>- 12thth grade.
  - o <u>21stCCLC Sumer Programs Newport High School</u>
    - Summer programming will take place during the month of June. There will be several camp options for grades 7th-12<sup>th</sup>grade. All camps will take place at Newport High School. Lunch will be provided from 11:00-1:00. Sign-ups have started and will continue throughout the month. An all call will also takes place the last week of school, notifying families of summer programming
  - o Camps Offered:
    - Teen Coalition Camp- June 4<sup>th</sup>-July 30<sup>th</sup>, 1:00-3:00, at Brighton Center
    - Literacy Camp 11:00-12:30, at Newport High School Cafeteria
    - Track Camp- June 10<sup>th</sup>-14<sup>th</sup>, 12:30-3:30 At Newport High School Tract
    - Soccer Camp- June 17<sup>th</sup>-21<sup>st</sup>, 12:30-3:30 at Newport High School Soccer Field
    - Volleyball Camp- June 10<sup>th</sup>-14<sup>th</sup>, 12:30-3:30
  - o Family Event- June 6<sup>th</sup>, 4:40-6:30 at Newport Intermediate, Family Cookout & Kickoff to Summer
  - Summer Field trips:
    - Vet's Pool
    - FC Soccer Game
    - Dart Rush
- ✓ NISD 21st Century Kim Ward, K-8 Coordinator reports:
  - Newport Primary-currently 167 students have participated in early morning/after school programming. 55 students have attended 30 days or more.
  - Newport Intermediate- currently 263 students have participated in early morning/ afterschool programming. 70 students have attended 30 days or more.
  - Newport NHS- 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> grade approximately 84 students have participated in afterschool programming. 13 students have attended 30 days or more.
  - After school programming is beginning to wind down for the year.
     Most programming will end the week of May 20<sup>th</sup>. Morning programming will continue through the last day of school
  - KDE met with 21<sup>st</sup> Century staff, principals and finance staff on May 1<sup>st</sup> to review the guidelines for the new grant that will begin this fall. NPS and NIS will receive an additional \$490,000 over the next 5 years for after school programming.

- Our summer program, Camp Wildcat, will begin on Thursday June 6<sup>th</sup> Friday June 28<sup>th</sup>. Programming will run daily from 8 am 3pm each day. Programming is open to all Newport students attending K-6<sup>th</sup> grade this fall. Students will receive 90 minutes of both reading and math instruction each day as well as fun, exciting, hands-on STEM activities. Weekly field trips include AJ Jolly Park, Lebanon Mason Train Ride, Cincinnati Zoo and James Taylor Park River Education event.
- Camp Wildcat Summer Program will begin on Wednesday June 5<sup>th</sup> with a family kick –off event sponsored by Harlow HRK. The event will be held on the Intermediate School playground from 4 pm 6 pm for all 21<sup>st</sup> Century camp students and their families. Dinner will be provided along with face painting, bouncy house and cotton candy! Students will have an opportunity to meet their summer camp teachers and staff during the event. Camp registration forms are available in English and Spanish at both the NIS and NPS school offices. Space is limited and registration ends May 22<sup>nd</sup>.
- Club Highlight: Lunch Buddies- several times during the week, random students are selected by Ms. Ward and Ms. Onkst to participate in Lunch Buddies. Students have an opportunity to have lunch in the Family Resource Center and discuss whatever they choose! Sometimes it's an individual student that participates, other times it may be a crowd of six students at a time! Students love the opportunity to get specialized attention and we get to know the students on a more individual basis!



- **✓** Newport Independent School District Health Services (School Nurses):
  - Mrs. Kim Weaver, RN, BSN and School Health Coordinator & Ms. Pam Pedigo, RN, BSN for Newport Primary School Report:
    - 102 sick student visits
    - 9 daily medication administrations
    - 7 vision screenings
    - Attended 2 ARC meeting
    - Follow-up continues on state mandated kindergarten screenings that still need to be turned in
    - Continue to schedule physicals and immunizations for pre-school students; in preparation for kindergarten attendance.
  - Mrs. Kim Weaver, RN, BSN for Newport Intermediate School Reports:
    - 122 sick student visits

- 16 daily medication administrations
- 1 daily medical procedure
- 7 vision screenings for student testing
- Continued follow-up on vision and dental needs of students
- Evaluated our supply needs for next school year; ordering as needed
- Requested change be made to the OTC form; addition of sunscreen for outings
- o Ms. Pam Pedigo, RN, BSN (Newport High School) Reports:
  - 152 sick student visits
  - 6 daily medication administrations
  - Follow-up continues on immunization compliance. New requirements were issued in June, 2018
  - Working with Coach Wynn on arranging sports physicals for football players before school year ends
  - Updating school care plans
- Ms. Liz Tanner, Nurse Practitioner via Christ Hospital at the School Based Health Center
  - From my April report to the present date include:
    - 59 student sick visits and physicals conducted
    - 3 sick staff members evaluated
    - Assisted with identification of students that need immunizations for all 3 buildings
    - Arranging to be at high school to conduct football physicals.
- ✓ You now have the ninth month of attendance and we are improving and if we can continue to sustain, we will go over the 94% attendance rate of last year.
- ✓ As always, I have attached the Student Code of Conduct and School Information Book for the 2019 2020 school year for your approval. I wish to thank all the members of the committee as follows:
  - o Mike Wills DPP
  - o Tim Moore Welcome Center
  - Kevin McCormick Court Liaison Officer
  - o Tim Grayson Director of Facilities & District Safety Officer
  - o Shannon Meyer Administrative Assistant to the DPP
  - Esther Fatsy NHS Teacher and NTA Representative
  - o Tim Viox NHS Teacher
  - Mike Hunter NHS Assistant Principal
  - Kim Cornett NHS Attendance Secretary
  - o Dennis Maines NIS Principal
  - Katie Chalfant NIS Teacher
  - Thomas Petty NIS Technology Technician
  - o Nichole Hayden NPS Assistant Principal
  - o Amanda Barbour NPS Teacher
  - Brenda Eglin NPS Attendance Secretary

✓ The Kentucky Department of Education has approved the 2019 – 2020 Newport Independent School District calendar which you approved on February 27, 2019.