

***Newport Independent Schools***  
**DIRECTOR STUDENT SERVICES REPORT**  
**12/11/2019**

Madame Chair and ladies of the Newport Independent School District Board of Education, inspiring update continue in our district. As usual, I want to praise all of our service providers for the exceptional job they continue to do for our students and families and especially so during the holiday season. Please read carefully as there are many community partners who have assisted to make these significant services and events occur. They are as follows:

- ✓ **NSTEP (Newport Service, Tools and Empowerment Project) Coordinator, Kristy McNally:**
  - **Current number of students exp. homelessness/living in transition**
  - | <u>Nov.</u> | <u>Dec.</u> |
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| 33 NPS      | 42 NPS      |
| 37 NIS      | 41 NIS      |
| 28 NHS      | 37 NHS      |
| 2 NSOI      | 4 NSOI      |
  - **Year to Date for 2019-2020 as of 12/3/19: 124**
  - **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**
    - **IN NEED OF FOOD DONATIONS!- LIST ATTACHED**
  - **Assisted Latino student with immigration situation/work permit**
  - **Attended Perkins Meeting at Gateway (Oct)-focus on homeless pop and CTE**
  - **Keara Curliss got housing, thanks to Student Adv. Program with Welcome House**
  - **Attended and or assisted with NPS family night, NPS adv. Council, MTSS at NHS, ReNewport Education Night,**
  - **Immigration Census Count with Esperanza Center December 5**
  - **Free Store Site Visit-passed with flying colors**
  - **FBLA to host Christmas Experience for MV students December 19**
  - **Received \$2000 donation from Bartlett Foundation**
  - **Continue to do home visits for each new enrollee with no proof of residency**
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  - **19 McKinney - Vento students are staying out of district:**
    - **3 Hotel**
    - **8 Doubled Up**
    - **8 Found perm. Housing (2 families of 4 students each)**
  - **Classes/Programs:**
    - **Diversity Wildcats-NIS Edition in partnership with UpSpring**
      - **Meets Mondays 3:00-5:300**

- **NHS Student Advocate at NHS (for MV Students) in partnership with UpSpring –focus on College/Career Readiness and Social Emotional Supports/Linkages to Teachers/Resources**
  - **Parent Support Group-10 parents attend 1x a month**
- **Transportation:**
  - **Assisting 2 other school districts with taxi**
  - **1 Newport Students receive cab services**
  - **4 Newport students receive bus from Covington Schools**
- ✓ **Newport Primary FRC Coordinator, Molly Wesley reports:**
  - **As of December 4, 2019, the following were distributed to students since the last monthly report:**
    - **Three (3) home visits – regarding transportation for student experiencing homelessness, and to pick up donation**
    - **145 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)**
    - **6 additional students have been able to shop at the Care Closet since the last report. MANY thanks to volunteer, Amy Silverton, for keeping the Care Closet so well stocked and organized, and for treating our students with such care and dignity! Also, MANY thanks to California Closets for donating two walls' worth of display and storage for clothing! It looks GREAT!!!**
    - **2 backpacks**
    - **1 electric bill paid through a community resources, in exchange for the family attending bornlearning Academy workshop series**
    - **1 referral to Stock the Kitchen food pantry for a family food emergency**
    - **Collaborated with the Cabinet for Health 7 Family Services regarding 3 students whose families are being investigated for child abuse and/or neglect**
    - **8 NPS families with infant/toddler/special needs children received Sweet Cheeks diapers this month (through partnership with the Care Closet)**
    - **85 PowerPacks per week are given to NPS students on Fridays**
    - **20 NPS families received Thanksgiving food from 7 Hills Church; 3 from Nurse Rebecca Bova, 2 from community friend Theresa Connaughton, and 1 from Tete and Shirley Turner.**
  - **The following meetings/events were attended:**
    - **November 12 – BornLearning Academy workshop #2 – 17 BornLearning adults, 9 Parent Support group adults, 30**

children, 4 Christ's Chapel volunteers, 4 child care staff, 1 child care volunteer, 7 Brighton Center Youth Leadership Development youth, 1 Brighton Center YLD staff, 2 FRC staff, 1 FRC intern, 1 EL staff, 1 Administrator, 1 BornLearning workshop facilitator, 1 Campbell County Cooperative Extension staff, 1 Sweet Cheeks diaper volunteer, 2 Skool Aid staff

- November 13 – Head Start Health Advisory meeting
- November 15 – NPS/FRC Advisory Council meeting
- November 18 – Molly and Amber met with Erin Peabody with the US Census
- November 18 – Molly and Kristy McNally met extensively with a parent who is experiencing homelessness, to provide support and resources.
- Molly provided \$100 to repair the family vehicle (thanks to a donation from a community member), in order for the student to continue to attend school regularly.
- November 19 – attended An Evening of Hope, put on by the Northern Kentucky Homeless Education Collaborative
- November 20 – local Holiday Clearinghouse, to review lists of families receiving gifts from local organizations, to avoid duplication of services
- November 20 – Safety Net Alliance meeting at St. John's UCC
- November 21 – Newport FRYSCs hosted the Region 4 FRYSC Coordinator's meeting
- November 21 – Family Fun Night at NPS – 330+ in attendance; served
- Thanksgiving dinner, families participated in math games, family photos were taken in front of the Holiday scene created by art teacher Hannah Hofstetter, and families voted on their favorite Family Turkey Project
- December 2 – Molly and Amber attended meeting with AJ Clinkenbeard (Stand Up Wireless) regarding wireless phone service for low income adults
- December 3 – Service Providers meeting
- December 3 – met with Donna Grey, grant writer for the Newport Elks, regarding a proposal to support NPS Preschool and Kindergarten Open House and Enrollment event in the spring.
- December 3 – Mayerson Awards Ceremony at NKU to accept a \$1,000 gift to support the BornLearning Academy (from the students of the Mayerson Student Philanthropy Project).
- The following ongoing activities are occurring, and involving FRC staff/volunteers:

- Fourteen NPS classrooms are participating in partnerships through the Adopt a Class program, including Crossroads Church, Mars Chocolate, United Way, Citibank, Brighton Center, USI Insurance (2), Red Hot Promotions (The Think Shop), PricewaterhouseCoopers, US Bank (2), Movement Church, 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!
- Twelve 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.
- 16 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, 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.
- Molly serves on the NPS attendance committee, with Brian Zepf, Angelika Huff, Mr. Atkins, Debbie Roaden, and Kristy McNally – this group meets regularly to discuss interventions, etc. Recently, students who had perfect attendance in November received a "brag tag" to attach to their backpack. December perfect attendance students will receive an additional brag tag soon.
- Molly re-stocks the Little Library almost daily, with donations of used books
- 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, and Ms. Turner's, classrooms, twice during most weeks!
- Molly, Kristy McNally, and Amber Onkst have two Masters level Social Work students interning during the 2019-2020 school year.
- Molly is working with Sister Claire Therese at Newport Central Catholic to match their sophomores with NPS 2<sup>nd</sup> graders as pen pals. Two sets of letters from NCC to the NPS

2<sup>nd</sup> graders have been delivered, and responses from the 2<sup>nd</sup> graders have also been delivered.

- Molly is distributing and collecting applications for children birth-age 5 to participate in Dolly Parton's Imagination Library, in order to receive free books each month.
- Molly continues to work with St. Elizabeth to make available their Employee Assistance Program, at which staff and their household members can receive up to 8 free mental health visits.
- The following activities are currently happening in the FRC:
  - Newport FRYSC Coordinators have completed collecting outstanding FRAM (HIF) forms from all enrolled students.
  - The NIS and NPS FRC's are currently distributing and collecting needs assessments to assist with program planning for the FRCs.
  - 188 NPS & NIS students have been matched for Xmas gifts (with 37 community organizations/individuals as sponsors)
- ✓ Upcoming Classes/Programs:
  - December 5 – Immigration Integration Plan meeting at Esperanza
  - December 6 - Supporting Family Wellness and Motivational Interviewing Parts 1 and 2 (at Children Inc.)
  - December 7 – Newport Optimist Club will provide coats to 20 randomly selected students at Burlington
  - December 10 – BornLearning workshop #3
  - December 12 – Family Literacy in Preschool – I Got Rhythm
  - December 14 – St. Vincent de Paul coat distribution (9am-noon)
  - December 20 – NPS House Event
- ✓ Newport Intermediate School FRC Coordinator, Amber Onkst reports:
  - Dental Clinic- FRC hosted two follow up days of clinic to have student's cavities filled and extractions for decaying teeth that could not be completed in the week clinic due to the extensive time required to meet all of the NIS student's needs.
  - PBIS- FRC continues to assist in securing donations for the CATS Store.
  - Club 312 -The FRC co-hosts an after-school program on Wednesdays. Currently, we have about 15-20 girls that attend consistently.
  - KY OSA- FRC is planning our final grant event on December 12<sup>th</sup> at 5pm for a Holidays Around the World Family Night. Students will receive a passport and will travel the world visiting a multitude of countries all while learning about their holidays, traditions and even trying some authentic food. FRC is partnering with the World Affairs Council of Cincinnati to offer this cultural experience for our students.
  - Big Brothers Big Sisters: This program continues to provide approximately 70 students with weekly mentoring.

- **Alumni Project:** Our mentors continue to come regularly and meet with students as a part of this mentoring program. We currently have 7 students in this program. We are looking to expand; hopefully in the New Year with more mentors.
- **Care Closet:** Two volunteers continue to serve students on a weekly basis who do not have access to appropriate clothing. Students all shop and receive a full bag of clothes to keep!
- **Adopt A Class:** FRC has established 13 Adopt-A-Class partners.
- **Home visits-** FRC continues to attend home visits, as needed by the Principal, Asst. Principal, Special Ed. Classrooms or homeroom classrooms.
- **Power Packs:** FRC continues to serve 90 students on a weekly basis with weekend food bags.
- **Attendance Team:** FRC is now serving on this team, which meets weekly to identify students with re-occurring absences and tardy events and schedule specific interventions to address these absent events. FRC is responsible for assigned students and completes follow up contact with the students' families to address concerns related to attendance.
- **Student Support Team:** FRC is working with school counselor to develop a student support team to address students' need that interferes with classroom instruction.
- **One to One:** FRC is coordinating the One to One program here. We currently have three coaches tutoring 3<sup>rd</sup> graders in reading.
- **Anthony Munoz Character Development Camp:** FRC sponsored four students attending the Anthony Munoz Camp. Check out the NIS FRC Facebook page to see the news article that showcases our students including one of our own giving a pretty powerful handshake to Anthony himself.
- **Needs Assessment:** This is a grant-writing year for the Family Resource Centers. FRC has completed the needs assessment and has sent it home with all students and out to all staff in order to begin gathering the data necessary to write the FRYSC grant for the 2020-2021 through 2021-2022 school years.
- **BornLearning (BL):** The 2<sup>nd</sup> BL Academy was held in November. 17 parents were in attendance and 30 children.
- **Parent Support Group-** The 2<sup>nd</sup> PSG was held in November. We had 9 participants.
- **FRYSC Regional Meeting:** The Newport FRYSCs hosted all of the FRYSC's in Northern Kentucky along with two CHFS employees for a regional FRYSC meeting in November. There were approximately 90 FRYSC Coordinators in attendance.
- **US Census Bureau:** FRC has met and is now partnering with the US Census Bureau to bring the Statistics in School and Every Kid Counts programs to Newport Schools. Newport has been listed as one of the top underreported cities in the nation. This causes the city, state, and

**schools to all lose access to federal funds supplied based on US Census data. We are working to help educate families on the importance of the Census as well as regulations that prevent the US Census Bureau from reporting any information they receive to other agencies, which allows families to be safe reporting statistics such as illegal immigrants or larger than allowed section 8 or HUD housing.**

- **Coat Drive:** The coat drive is being held on December 14<sup>th</sup> at NPS from 9-12. Anyone birth to adult can receive a free coat. FRC will be assisting with set-up.
- **Thanksgiving Food Boxes:** FRC partnered with Seven Hills to provide 20 food boxes to families for the holidays.
- **Christmas Food Boxes:** FRC is partnering with Big Stef to provide 30 NIS families with Food Boxes for Christmas. These boxes will be delivered to their home on Saturday, December 14<sup>th</sup>.
- **Free Feet:** FRC was able to submit and be approved for free shoes for 20 NIS students.
- **KY OSA:** FRC is currently writing this grant to receive 3<sup>rd</sup> year funding. Notification will occur the week before Christmas.
- **Stand Up Wireless-** NPS and NIS FRCs met with Mr. A.J. Clinkenbeard with Stand Up to learn how we can partner with this organization to provide free phones and coverage for our parents with have phone instability. We will be able to help parents complete an application here at school, and if eligible, they will receive their phone within 3-4 business days.
- **Play:** FRC chaperoned the 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grades attending the NHS play.
- **Christmas Assistance:** NIS and NPS FRC have partnered again to provide holiday assistance to Newport families who complete two families events at school and are in need. Currently, we have 188 students sponsored for Christmas.
- **Optimist Club Coat Giveaway:** FRC worked with the Optimist Club to get 10 NIS students new coats.
- **Coats:** The FRC has provided 36 students with new coats for this winter.
- **Glasses Vouchers:** FRC has provided 6 students with vouchers to cover the cost of glasses.

✓ **Upcoming Events:**

- **12/5- Advisory Council Meeting**
- **12/5- Lakeside Christian Church Meal Pack**
- **12/10- Kroger Christmas Party/ Pick-up donation of books for NIS students**
- **12/10- BornLearning Academy and Parent Support Group Session 3**
- **12/11- Attendance meeting**
- **12/11- Club 312**
- **12/12- Holidays Around the World Family Night**
- **12/13- Coat Drive Set up**
- **12/14- Coat Drive**

- 12/14- Christmas Food Delivery
  - 12/17- Seven Hills Christmas Donation Drop off Day
  - 12/17- District Staff Meeting
  - 12/18- Special Education Christmas Party for Students co-hosted by FRC
  - 12/18- Club 312
  - 12/16-12/20- Christmas Present Pick-up by parents
- ✓ **Newport High School YSC Coordinator, Donna Watts reports:**
- YSC continues to provide school supplies, coats, gloves, hats, clothing, bus tokens, food and hygiene products for students and families
  - Coordinator is assisting 7 students to get new glasses
  - YSC continues to provide school supplies to teachers and staff
  - Coordinator called families and made home visit to get FRAM – Household Income Forms completed
  - Coordinator attended FRYSC State Fall Institute in Lexington, KY - The Fall Institute celebrates the collaborative nature of FRYSCs and their critical work with community partners. In addition to FRYSCs, workshops offer professional learning opportunities for DCBS workers, community educators, 21CCLC staff, guidance counselors, principals, and other school district employees.
  - Coordinator attended MTSS – the purpose is to look Students Characteristics, Teachers Beliefs and Behaviors to determine that Goals and Outcomes to Making the School Stronger. We will meet the 1<sup>st</sup> Monday of every month.
  - Coordinator attended Christmas Experience Meeting – YSC will pay for Food and Drinks
  - Coordinator attended NKU African American Alumni Network Meeting
  - Ms. Watts was recognized for receiving NKU's 2003 Outstanding Alumni Service Award and for being a Charter Member of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc. Alpha Rho Chapter in November 1999.
  - Coordinator purchased flowers for Fall Girls Sports Banquet and Football Banquet.
  - Coordinator attend ReNewport Educational Task Force meeting.
  - Coordinator attended Big Smiles Dental Screening Meeting – YSC will pass out applications to all students, post information on Facebook and Hang Up Posters
  - Seven Hills Church delivered 20 boxes of food and 40 turkey coupons for Kroger Store – 16 families picked up food boxes, Coordinator delivered 4 boxes to families home on November 18<sup>th</sup>
  - Class of 1964 donated money to the YSC Holiday Fund – 21 families received a \$50.00 Kroger gift card on November 19<sup>th</sup>
  - BM2 Freight delivered Fully Cooked Thanksgiving meals to 6 families on November 28<sup>th</sup>

- The Alumni Mentoring Project with 3 students is going great; each student is meeting with their mentor, at least, once a month during lunch time.
- Coordinator began assisting Mr. Jerome Bowles with Diversity Male Mentoring Workshops – meetings will be held on Friday during Home Base.
- Coordinator spoke with and donated Newport Gear to the 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Southgate students who toured our school.
- ✓ **Three Events Chaperoned/Coordinated**
  - Diversity Conference at NKU – 23 students and 2 adults
  - Perfect Attendance - Game Works – December 11<sup>th</sup>
  - 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Snow Ball Dance – December 13<sup>th</sup>
- ✓ **Additional Activities hosted or which the center coordinator was directly involved**
  - Coordinator helped host FRYSC Region 4 Coordinators meeting and Advisory Council meeting on November 21<sup>st</sup>
  - 1 Upward Bound Meeting
  - Collecting names for Christmas Food Baskets
  - Collecting names for Christmas Shopping with a community partner
  - YSC passed out flyers for Coat Drive Give Away on December 14<sup>th</sup> at NPS
  - YSC will donated cookies and drinks to the Parent Teacher Conference and the Book Fair Family Night
  - Coordinator was voted to serve on Superintendents Selection Committee
- ✓ **Upcoming events of note for December 2019**
  - 1<sup>st</sup> Monday MTSS – Making The School Strong meeting 3:30p
  - Every Friday Diversity Male Workshops
  - Tuesday, 12/3/19 Service Providers Meeting at NIS 9am
  - Thursday, 12/5/19 Upward Bound Meeting Library
  - Tuesday, 12/10/19 Upward Bound Recruitment Meeting
  - Tuesday, 12/10/19 BornLearning Academy 5:30-7:30p NPS
  - Wednesday, 12/11/19 Perfect Attendance Field Trip 11a.m Gameworks
  - Wednesday, 12/11/19 Parent Teacher Conference 3:30 – 5:00 p.m.
  - Wednesday, 12/11/19 Book Fair Family Night 5:00 -8:00p.m.
  - Saturday, 12/14/19 Coat Drive Give Away NIS
  - Wednesday, 12/18/19 NHS YSC Advisory Council meeting Room 122 10a.m.
  - Wednesday, 12/18/19 Site Based Decision Making Team meeting 3:30p.m.
  - Thursday, 12/19/19 Christmas Experience 5:00 p.m.
  - Friday, 12/20/19 Ugly Sweater and/or Outfit Contest
  - Tuesday, 12/31/19 FRYSC Standards of Quality Report Due

- ✓ **NISD 21<sup>st</sup> Century – Heather Anderson, NHS and Kim Ward, (K-8 Kimberly Mullins – Ward- Program Coordinator, Hannah Martin – NPS Site Coordinator and Sara Collini – NIS Site Coordinator) Heather reports:**
- To date, over 110 different participants have participated in a CLC activity, with a daily average of 15 students.
  - There have been a core group of students regularly attending programming. We are continuing to advertise and conduct outreach in attempts to grow the program.
  - Teen Coalition is currently learning about philanthropy through the Magnified Giving program. They are researching and identifying types of non-profits as they prepare to award a grant.
  - Adventure Crew went hiking in November and will go ice skating this month.
  - The NHS 21<sup>st</sup> CCLC program hosted a College & More event on November 19<sup>th</sup>, 2019. Students and families were invited to explore colleges, military and training opportunities. FAFSA assistance was on-site as well. Gateway, CET, The National Guard, Cincinnati State, UC, The United States Army, the Career Bridge Program and the Kentucky Career Center were all in attendance.
  - NHS 21<sup>st</sup> CCLC will participate in a family night on Wednesday, December 11<sup>th</sup> at the high school. Families will have the opportunity to decorate Christmas ornaments and have a conversation focused on literacy.
  - A financial literacy skill building event for parents will be held in January.
  - The NHS 21<sup>st</sup> CCLC held its Advisory Committee meeting at the end of November. We reviewed the 18-19 Center Profile, discussed goals for the program and brainstormed ways to engage more students and staff.
  - Kim reports:
  - **21<sup>st</sup> Century staff: Kimberly Mullins-Ward- Program Coordinator, Hannah Martin – NPS Site Coordinator and Sara Collini – NIS Site Coordinator**
  - Newport Primary –129 students have participated this year. 21<sup>st</sup> Century's Club Wildcat is currently serving 50 students daily, Mon – Thursday. Students participate in homework help, tutoring, and daily enrichment activities. Activities include Lego Club, Math Ninjas, Upcycle Art, Nature Club, Makerspace Club, Muttigrees, Choral Cats, Fit Kids, STEAM Club and monthly visits from the Newport Aquarium. Recently, Newport Central Catholic student volunteers began visiting students twice a month for Spanish Club. Students learn about the Spanish language, culture, music and food.
  - Newport Intermediate- 274 students have participated in activities year. The following are a list of the currently activities at NIS. Youth Leadership Development, Diversity Wildcats, Monthly Art Club, Sports Mania, Minecraft Education, Club 312, Wildcat Winds

**Beginning Band, FINTastic Aquarium Club, Friends and Readers, STEAM Punks, Cincy Dance, The Treblemakers Choir Club and Pre-Teen Cuisine. In January, additional programs will include Martial Arts, an additional Art Club, and STEM Bike Club.**

- **Newport Middle (7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>) – 55 students have participated this year. The following are a list of the current activities for 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> students. Breakfast Club, Homework Help/Study Table, Art Club, Youth Leadership Development, Newport Strong, Science Club, Dungeons & Dragons, Hip Hop Dance and Adventure Crew. 3D Printing Club will begin in January.**
- **21<sup>st</sup> Century will partner with the Brighton Center to host a Financial Literacy Event at NHS on Tuesday January 14<sup>th</sup>. Adults and parents alike will learn how to manage personal financial matters and make appropriate decisions regarding budgeting, retirement, etc.**
- **Activity highlight: Cincy Dance is a new after school program for 3<sup>rd</sup> grade students at Newport Intermediate. The 4- week program teaches life skills and gets students physically active through fun dance classes while increasing their self-esteem and confidence. Both boys and girls are reaping the benefits of dance- discipline, self-expression, focus, and fitness!**



✓ **Newport Independent School District Health Services Ms. Pam Pedigo, Coordinating Nurse and Ms. Rebecca Bova District School Nurses:**

- **Newport Primary School Nursing Office**
  - **219 sick visits**
  - **5 daily medication administrations**
  - **1 daily medical procedure (catheterization)**
  - **6 vision screenings**
  - **Reviewing records of all students for valid immunization certificates and screening (physical, vision, dental) requirements**

- Provided additional teacher education on best use of nursing resources
  - Chaperone on one field trip
- Newport Intermediate School Based Health Center
  - 621 sick visits
  - 17 daily medication administrations
  - 1 daily medical procedure (catheterization)
  - 6 vision screenings
  - Provided additional teacher education on best use of nursing resources as well as provision of classroom supply packets
  - Identification of those with immunization deficits as well as those that need school physicals; and getting arrangements made for Liz Tanner, NP to meet these needs
- Newport High School Nursing Office
  - 219 sick student visits
  - 6 daily medication administrations, 2 diabetes management
  - 6 vision screenings
- Ms. Elizabeth Tanner, NP via Christ Hospital at School Based Health Center
  - Has seen 69 students since last reporting timeframe. This includes sick visits, immunization needs, and school or sports physicals
  - Has evaluated 9 staff sick visits this month
  - In addition, she assists with identification of students eligible for school based vaccines
- Big Smiles will be at NPS and NHS in January to meet student dental needs
  - Registration at NPS has been good
  - At NHS, registration has been poor; we will attend school play to talk to parents about the event
  - At NHS, we will attend parent-teacher conferences to talk to parents about event 12/4/19

✓ **Mike Wills, DPP & Director of Student Services**

- You now have our fourth month attendance report attached. It remains the best trend we have had in the past three years. All leaders are doing a great job in monitoring their attendance rates. If we can keep this trend going it may well be our best attendance year in the past 10 years.
- We will have all three calendar options on the January agenda for your scheduled first reading and the normal adoption during the regular February meeting. Option #2 was the favorite of stakeholder voting and the recommended Option by the Calendar Committee, but as always, you may select another option.
- Please see the attached flyer. Our Stock the Kitchen program is doing an awesome job under direction of our NSTEP (Newport Service, Tools and Empowerment Project) Coordinator, Kristy McNally. We

**are currently serving 300 students and their families and while the Free Store Food Bank does a marvelous job in supporting our efforts, the items listed on this flyer are badly needed.**

- **Again, our service providers are doing an awesome job and thank all of you for your support of these people and their programs. Without your dedication, these valuable resources would not exist.**



## HELP NEEDED!

Newport Schools has it's own on site food pantry they call **STOCK THE KITCHEN:**

Stock the Kitchen serves over **300 students and their families** monthly.

**Stock the Kitchen is in need of the following items:**

- Microwavable Mac and Cheese
- Microwavable Non-Frozen Meals-i.e. Chef Boyardee Spaghetti O's
- Mac and Cheese
- Beef Jerky
- Peanut Butter Crackers
- Saltines
- Soups
- Beans
- Rice
- Flour/Masa Flour
- Sugar
- Canned Chicken
- Vienna Sausages
- Cooking Oils
- Granola Bars
- Pastas
- Apple Sauces
- Stuffing
- Oatmeal
- Cereal
- Baby food
- Trail Mix
- Ramen Noodles
- Tuna Packs
- Cheese Crackers
- Juice Boxes
- Feminine hygiene products
- Shampoo/Conditioner

DO SOMETHING GREAT