

**Director of Pupil Personnel & Student Services**

**May 26, 2021**

*Madame Chair and members of the Board, as of May 26th we have completed 162 days of instruction. We currently have students participating through blended learning in a Hybrid Model and through virtual learning only. Student's last day of school is scheduled for this Friday, May 28th. Staff Professional Learning Day will be held June 1st with Closing Day being held on June 2nd.*

**Enrollment as of May 1, 2021**

<b>School</b>	<b>05/01/2021</b>
Newport Primary (K-2)	371/319
Newport Intermediate	421
Newport High School	531
Newport School of Innovation	41
	<i>1,364 Total</i>

**Participation Update: April Participation**

Newport Independent	92.74%
Newport Primary	93.84%
Newport Intermediate	90.48%
Newport High School	93.09%

**Attendance Update: April Attendance**

Newport Independent	94.88%
Newport Primary	95.86%
Newport Intermediate	93.72%
Newport High School	95.16%

**Attendance Waiver 2021-2022**

The Kentucky Board of Education has provided approval on the 2021-2022 Attendance Waiver submitted by Newport Independent Schools as of May 18, 2021 at their regularly scheduled May meeting.

## **Board Action**

The DPP Office is asking for Board consideration and action on the following items:

Amended Calendar 2020-2021

Yearly Action must be taken to approve the Amended School Calendar. The Amended Calendar includes all instructional days, teacher work days, as well as opening and closing days. Non-used make-up days have been removed for submission of the completed calendar as required by the Department of Education

## ***Student Services***

### **Newport Primary School FRC**

**Molly Wesley**

**Home Visits (4 total):** 2 to deliver food, 2 to deliver bornlearning materials

**Other parent contacts since last report:** transportation home on ½-day, referral to nurse for vision screening, conversation with parent about Mothers Day due to deceased mother, referral to a job a parent is qualified for, school supplies, United Way internet, student testing schedule, referral for child care assistance through CHFS, housing (2), birth certificate, crib needed for foster child, news station interviewing student, paper packets for student without current internet, special education paperwork signature, transportation to counseling appointment, summer program information, and details about VFW awards ceremony for 2 students' families, and attended (with Kate Neikirk) an Indian tea party at the home of one of our Indian student's family home (May 12, 2021)

**Other items/services given to students since last report:** 39 clothing items, 7 referrals for clothing through Care Closet, Gift of Sight eyeglass voucher for a student, 4 Lunch Buddy applications were distributed and submitted to Big Brother Big Sister for school-based mentors, walked a student to Fun Days when child care staff did not pick student up from Preschool, 2 students won awards from VFW on April 20 (1 for singing the National Anthem, and 1 for patriotic art piece), ordered items to put in summer "learning kits" for McKinney-Vento students from NPS (more details to come), 41 orders of Sweet Cheeks diapers were ordered for babies associated with NPS families, 85 Powerpacks distributed each week to students

**Cabinet for Health & Family Services** – assisted with information for investigation into abuse/neglect for three families

**Donations since last report:** Freestore Foodbank delivered PowerPacks on 5/7/21; box of new books from Blue Marble, 5 bags of gently used childrens clothing, 20 bags of gently used

household linens and other household items, \$500 from Carabello Coffee to support diaper program in partnership with Care Closet, \$200 cash

**Professional contacts and community collaborations since last report:**

regular contact with Boys & Girls Club about virtual learning participants and updates, as well as coordinating with NPS about summer programming;; Facebook posts about Stock the Kitchen on 5/20/21 and 5/27/21, Gracepointe Church food giveaway on 4/28/21 (English and Spanish), Big Brother Big Sister of Greater Cincinnati recruitment information for NPS Lunch Buddies, ABC Countdown details, Mental Health Awareness Month, prom attire giveaway, Backpacks and Breakfast registration, childcare assistance, Early Head Start, Newport Police food giveaway on 4/28/21, Newport City Church ice cream bar for Teacher Appreciation Week, and information about Brighton Center programs (Trades to Success, Welding Certification, Expungement Resource Fair, and new thrift store to open in Covington; Lunch Buddy partnerships continue virtually and Molly provides regular support (“supervised” virtual Lunch Buddy visits on 4/21/21, 4/28/21, 5/5/21; on 5/12/21), Molly met virtually with Rachel Gosney from Adopt a Class on 4/26/21 about school manager model; Big Brother Big Sister of Greater Cincinnati contacted Molly about recruiting mentors for the program, and also to confirm contact information for 6 students on the waiting list; John R. Little VFW Auxiliary was in contact regarding the annual National Citizen Education National Teacher Award, as well as the Illustrating America art contest and the National Anthem singing contest; Gracepointe Community Church hosted another food giveaway on York Street on 4/28/21; Molly spoke with 7 Hills Church about their annual “Heart the City” Day of Service; on 4/10/21; Molly delivered books to the Newport Laundromax, and also the Laundromat at 11<sup>th</sup> & Columbia), to fill the shelves with child-friendly books; and Newport City Church brought ice cream sundae bar ingredients for staff to enjoy for Teacher Appreciation Week

**School contacts and collaborations since last report:**

**April 20, 2021** - Student Support Team Meeting

**April 21, 2021** – attended meeting about FRYSCs applying for GEER money

**April 20 and May 11, 2021** – Parent Support group (PSG)

**April 21 and May 12, 2021** – BORNLEARNING Academy workshops (virtual)

**April 21 and 28, 2021** - BSW practicum student from NKU received weekly supervision from Molly and Kristy

**April 22, 2021** – Stock the Kitchen

**April 23, 2021** – met (virtually) with Andrea Doughty with Anthem Medicaid

**April 27, 2021** – attended (virtually) GEER grant funds webinar

**April 28, 2021** – Student Intervention Team meeting

**April 28 and May 12, 2021** – Molly participated in the book study held with NPS staff and parent – book titled “Culturally Responsive Teaching and the Brain”

**April 29, 2021** – met with Josh Tunning (ReNewport), Kristy McNally, Donna Watts, Georgia Mook (Brighton Center) and Miranda (Brighton Center Americorps) about the community fridge

**May 4, 2021** – attended Implicit Bias training presented by Tony Watts during faculty meeting time

**May 5, 2021** – submitted Newport FRYSC FY22 budget split spreadsheet

**May 11, 2021** – NPS/FRC Advisory Council meeting (in person!)

**HIGHLIGHT:** Molly is the new NKy representative for the Kentucky Association of School Social Work

**21<sup>st</sup> Century Community Learning Center K-6<sup>th</sup> grade  
Kimberly Mullins-Ward**

Most after school programs, both virtual and in person, will end the week of May 17<sup>th</sup>.

NPS- 153 students have participated in virtual programming this school year. Currently 20 students have attended programming 30 days or more. 21C staff continue to deliver kits (STEM, Nature Club, Art, Bookworms) to students to complete.

NIS- 270 students have participated in virtual programming this school year. Approximately 52 adults have attended adult skill building activities. Current programming offerings are Beginning Band, LabRats, Science Club, Book Busters, Ghostly Tales Book Club, Art Club with Ms. Sara, Diversity Wildcats, Youth Leadership Development, Chess Kids Club, Confidence Builders and Wildcat Hustlers. Currently 44 students have attended virtual programming 30 days or more.

21<sup>st</sup> funding was used to purchase 30 Walking Classroom kits for the upcoming 2021-2022 school year. The Walking Classroom is an award- winning non-profit program that strengthens the physical, mental and academic health of students while they walk, listen and learn. Each kit includes an audio device loaded with 167 kid friendly language arts, social studies and science related podcasts. We hope to use these during the morning program this fall.

The Speed Stacks program was purchased for use at the Intermediate school with 21<sup>st</sup> Century funding. Cup stacking, or Speed Stacking, promotes physical fitness and academic learning. Students that sport stack on a regular basis have shown an increase in test scores and levels of concentration. We will be introducing this program to students during this summer’s Camp Wildcat Program.

21<sup>st</sup> Century staff continues to meet with community partners and school staff to place the finishing touches on the upcoming Camp Wildcat programs at NPS/NIS.



Candy Land Board Game Competition

**Newport High School  
Youth Services Center  
Donna L. Watts**

**Center Activities:**

Hung up “Once a Wildcat, Always a Wildcat” Photo Display of NIS Staff who graduated from NHS, YSC continues to hand out school supplies, ear buds, water bottles, stamps, tank bus cards, clothing and hygiene products to students

**Home Visits** (6 total): (2 attendance), (4 school supplies, clothing and household items)

**Other Activities**

- Sweet Cheeks diapers: 4 orders
- Cincinnati Bell/United Way FREE Internet Access (total 135 students)
- Attended Faculty and Staff Weekly meeting
- Attended Implicit Bias Training
- Held YSC Advisory Council Meeting and After School and Summer Program Meeting
- Stage Performance and Crafts – Brittany Stacy
- Wildcat Hustlers – Kristy McNally, Molly Wesley and Amber Onkst
- Young Life Group – Ronnie Dahn and Lydia Supinger

- Reading, Literacy and Fitness – Stephanie Atkins
- Gardening Club – Ester Fatsy and Megan Brown
- Attended meeting with Superintendent Mr. Tony Watts about
- Fall Break College Tour, Spring Break College Tour, Summer Washington DC or Chicago Trip
- Attended DHL CVG Employment Meeting
- Hung Student of Week and Seniors Accepted to College on school Bulletin Boards
- Coordinator along with AmeriCorp and 21<sup>st</sup> Century Coordinator are helping students to secure summer and part-time employment
- Coordinator re-fills facemask at all 4 building entrances – Every Wednesday

**Donations since last report:**

- Frito Lay – 287 bags of chips for Senior Week
- YSC Grant – 200 Fruit Snacks and 200 bags of candy for Middle School Testing
- New Hope Christian Church – 95 cases of Feminine Hygiene Products
- DHL CVG – 500 cases of bottled water
- Heather Anderson – supplies from Crayons to Computers
- Karla Johnson – supplies from Crayons to Computer
- Kia Gearding – plastic bottle caps and clothing

**Professional contacts and community collaboration since last report via Zoom:**

Attended 2 DFRYSC Racial Equality Team Meeting, FRYSC Region 4 Advisory Council Meeting, Safety Net Alliance Meeting, Community Fridge Initiative Meeting, NHS GEER Grant Funding Meeting, Anthem Medicare for Families Meeting, and Campbell County Drug Free Alliance Meeting

- Lock Box Distribution
- Wine Tote Bag Distribution
- Prevention First Award
- Prescription Drug Take Back Day
- Story Book Walks – local parks
- 21-22 Budget
- STOP GRANT
- REACH GRANT
- Kentucky Health Dept and Brighton Center
  - o *I'm No Fuul Campaign* – Tee Shirts and Posters have been distributed

**YSC Sponsored or Co-Sponsored events**

Invited Tracy Stokes, Gateway Community and Technical College Diversity Director as guest speaker for Senior Dinner

- With donation money Paid for Dinner for Teachers and Staff – Gold Star Chili Coney Bar

- With donation money Paid for Jersey Mike’s Sub Sandwiches for Parent Teacher Conference
- YSC Grant Paid for Kona Ice, Fruit Snacks and Candy for Testing
- YSC Grant purchased soil and supplies for Gardening Club
- Upward Bound Meeting and Recruitment – (14 students)
- Donated supplies for Addams Family Play
- Donated to NHS YSC Brochures to Brighton Center and Newport Public Library to promote Summer Programming in the City of Newport
- Diversity Male Workshop meetings – turned in Grades and Attendance report to Mr. Jerome Bowles
- Newport Alumni Mentoring Program recruitment letters mailed for 2021-22 SY
- Young Life Group Meetings – T-shirts and Sweat shirts were passed out
- Wildcat Hustlers sponsored by NHS YSC with Kristy McNally – Uniforms have been passed out
- Race Around the City – May 27<sup>th</sup> – see Kristy McNally for more info
- Brighton Center and Newport Public Library Community of Support for Teens initiative for Summer Program

### **Upcoming Events**

- Summer Swag Bag Giveaway – May 20th
- Assist with End of the Year Events – May 24th – 28th
- Wildcat Hustlers Race Around the City – May 27th
- Assist with Graduation program, caps, gowns and tassels – May 29th
- June – Wildcat Camp, Gardening Club, Performance and Crafts Club, Wildcat Camp, Upward Bound Camp, Young Life Camp & Reading, Literacy and Fitness Club begins
- Hidden In Plain Sight CCDFA Training– June 1st & 29th
- Non Profit Organizational Leadership Webinar Conference – June 8th
- Drug Free Alliance Meeting – June 9th
- PBIS Training – June 9th and June 11th
- DFRYSC Racial Equality Team Evaluation Training – June 30th

**Facebook posts:** Holy Spirit Food Bank, Community Senior Prom, Farm To Family Food Distribution, Young Life Group meeting, Stock the Kitchen, No, Ky Regional Job Fair, Wildcat Hustlers Club, Taking Down Tobacco Campaign, Cheerleading Tryouts and Summer School and Programs

Companies Hiring Students – YSC helped students fill out applications

Atlas Dry Cleaners	Castellini Foods
Chipotle Restaurant	Coney Island
Cracker Barrel	DHL CVG HUB
Donatos Pizza	Frito Lay
Home City Ice	Labor Max Staffing
McDonalds Restaurant	Kings Island
Newport Parks and Recreation – Vets Pool	
Trade Works – Pre Apprentice Program	

**McKinney Vento  
Ms. Kristy McNally- May 2021**

Current MV Students: 224  
P-2nd: 69 3rd-6t: 76 7th-12th: 79

**Home Visits/Telephone Contacts/In person assistance:** 2 (attendance/return to in person), 1 (MV consult), 1 (housing concerns), 1 (tech assistance), 3 (fafsa assistance), 4 (student concerns), 2 (bedding)

**Cabinet for Health and Family Services:** contact regarding 2 students and current investigation

**Stock the Kitchen** - open 5/20/21 & 5/27/21

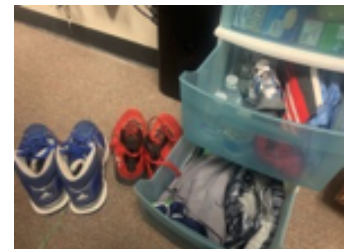
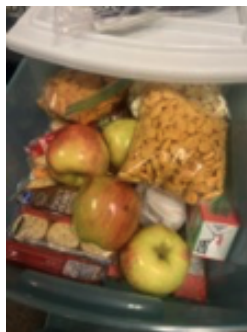
**Transportation Assistance-** 6 taxi, 1 cross district assistance

**MV Sponsored programs:** Wildcat Hustlers Running Club (NIS/NHS)- over 20 participants  
Student Support Program (NHS)- 2 participants  
Diversity Wildcats (NIS)- 8 participants  
Parent Support Group- 7 participants



**Student Support Program in partnership with UpSpring**

**Making sure a MV students are prepared football/baseball practice**







## Wildcat Hustlers

**Ask and we make it happen- bed made its way down Columbia St. to a family in need**



**Community Collaborations:** Diversity Wildcats and Student Support Program in collaboration with UpSpring, NKy Health Dept/Wellcare-Covid vaccine set up, NKU- interns 2x a year, Hart & Cru/ETC produce-providing fresh fruit & vegetable to STK, ReNewport-assist with research on Community Fridge, Covington Ind. Schools assisting with transporting Phoenix student,

**Facebook/Twitter posts:** Stock the Kitchen, Wildcat Hustlers Running Club, Donation recognition and various thank you/spread joy posts

School contacts and collaborations since last report: Student Support Meeting – April 20, Parent Support Group (Zoom at 6pm - 5 participants)- last meeting May 11, Working closely with Patricia, district translator for various students and STK, review of interventions for MV students with Intervention team leads at NPS & NIS

### **Newport Intermediate School Family Resource Center**

#### **Marshelle Watkins-Blackwell, Coordinator**

28 students Schools Supplies, 14 students - Clothing items, 16 families- Diaper, wipes and female products 1174 weekend snack bags

#### **The following donations have been made:**

Care Closets clothing items for students, Shoes Donation, Sweet Cheeks- 16 families, Freestore Food Bank -210 weekend snack packs, NIS teacher food items and hygiene items

#### **The following professional contact/community collaborations have occurred:**

Adopt -a – Class – Host, Group Support and Setup

Big Brother and Big Sister- Student Supports and planning for 2021-2022 school year

Care closet support and program updates

Brighton Center – NIS Families Support

FRYSC Supports – Family Support Principle

Boys and Girls Club Summer Planning Meeting and Community Updates

LiveWell- Newport – Community and School Collaboration

KYOSA: Community Focus Group

Anthem Community Meeting: Members supports  
Brighton Center Staff- 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grade classroom visits  
School Based Health Care Staff: Family Supports and basic needs

**The following School contacts/collaborations have occurred:**

PBIS Supports  
KPREP Testing Support  
FRYSC Professional Evaluation  
Coverage Supports  
NIS Family Event (Flyer, supplies and prizes)  
Well Wishes Contest Supply distribution  
Well Wishes Contest and judging and prizes distribution  
Family Resource Center Coordinator met with Christ Hospital Staff to help students with medical needs such as updating (childhood)vaccines, physicals, and finding resource to supports parents  
Calls to families to pick up Sweet Cheeks diaper donation  
Called NIS families to provide academic motivation and FRYSC supports  
ELL teacher collaboration NIS family communication supports  
Site Base – Presented FRYSC Program and Services updates  
21<sup>st</sup> Century Planning Meeting- Summer Enrichments  
Family Resource Center Coordinator conducted home visits. Home visits were made for a variety of reasons such as unreachable parents or guardians, attendance supports.

**The following meetings/trainings were attended:**

KPREP Planning Meeting and KPREP Training  
Care Closet  
NIS Attendance Meeting  
FRYSC Budget Planning  
FRYSC Family Support Meeting  
Mc Kinny Vento families support Meeting  
Brighton Center Collaborative Meeting  
Live Well Meeting  
YSBC Advisory Meeting  
FRYSC Advisory Meeting  
Bi- Weekly NIS Staff Meeting  
Strengthening Families Meeting  
YSC Cross County Intervention Meeting  
Community Programs at NIS Summer Program- Extension Office Meeting  
Digital Pen Pal Meeting  
At risk youth Service Meeting  
Adult-Centered Child Rearing During the Covid-19 Pandemic

**Upcoming Events and Meeting**

May18- 20<sup>th</sup> -MAP Testing

May 26<sup>th</sup> :Tech Drop off  
May26th – Site Base