Curriculum Department Report to the Board of Education Curriculum Department Highlights April 26, 2023

To: Mr. Watts, Superintendent

Ms. Malone, Chairperson of the Board Members of the Board of Education

Newport Curriculum Department Vision:

We envision a day when **all leaders** of Newport Independent Schools exhibit high expectations and guarantee excellence of instruction, ensure equitable opportunities and leverage all high quality resources so that students, staff and leaders will **maximize** their fullest potential.

District Assessment Coordinator

NIS and NHS are in preparation for Kentucky State Assessment (KSA). The Alternate Assessment Window 2 is now open and being completed at all levels. The window given to complete the state required KSA is May 8th through May 25th.

ACT Spring 2023 Junior Administration: With the ACT spring administration now complete, school and district staff will have access to data and reports. Scores will be released as processed by ACT, which will be completed approximately 3 to 8 weeks after the test is administered. NHS administered the ACT April 18th through the 21st. The scores will be available within ACT's online reporting system and students can access an electronic copy of their results in the MyACT account. Final data and reports will be available no later than May 22nd. The results that will be available within the online reporting system and MyACT accounts prior to May 22nd are NOT embargoed.

Summer School and Before and/or After School Program Grant - NHS

The Office of Continuous Improvement and Support at the Kentucky Department of Education (KDE) will award funds to local educational agencies (LEA) to operate summer and before and/or after school programming in those schools that were identified, including those reidentified, for Comprehensive Support and Improvement (CSI) in the fall of 2022. Newport HIgh School has been identified to participate in this grant opportunity. The goal of this program is to provide evidence-based enrichment to address learning loss and the needs of low-income students, students with disabilities, English learners, migrant students, students experiencing homelessness, and children in foster care. All funds must be expended by September 30, 2024.

NHS completed the application process on April 19th. NHS will use evidence-based interventions and practices to improve student growth and academic success. KDE has approved Newport High School's grant application. Newport High School will receive \$378,359 in funds to be used for two years of summer and before/after school programming.

Respectfully Submitted,

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