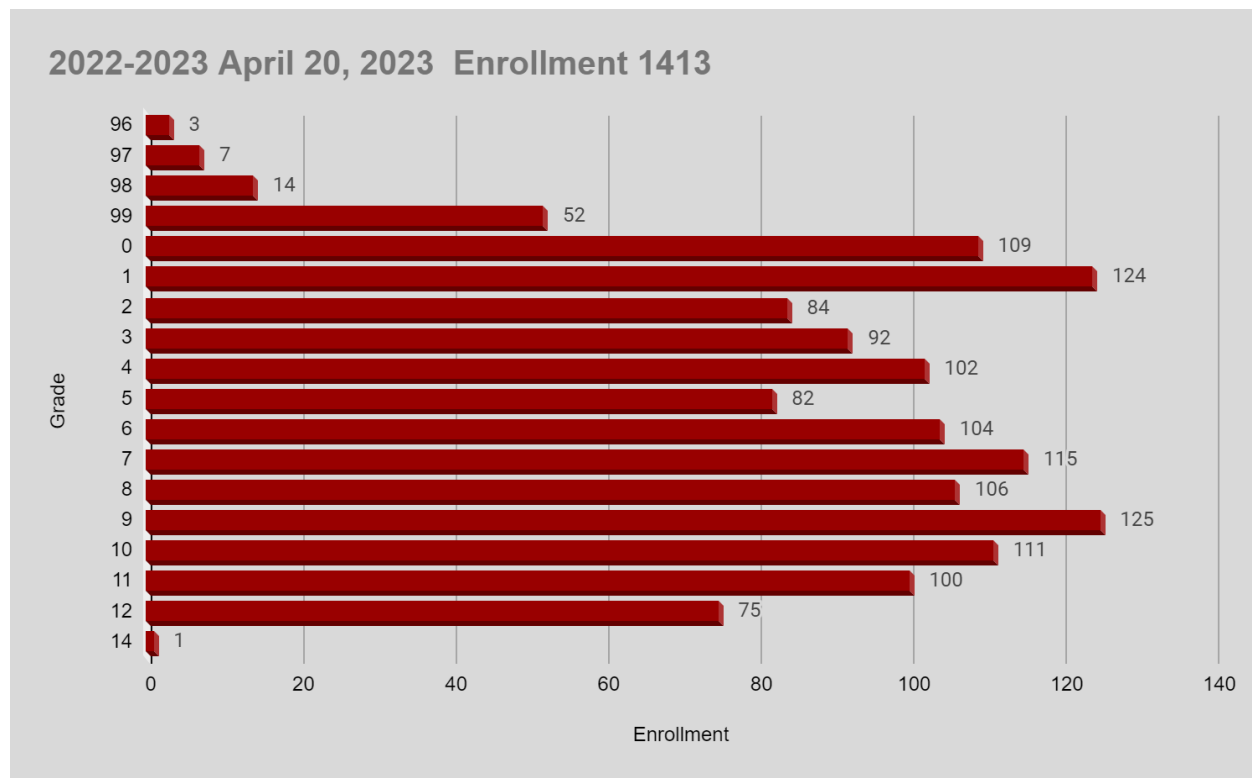


Newport Independent Schools
Director Pupil Personnel and Student Services Report
Regular Meeting
April 26, 2023

Good evening Madam Chair and members of the Board of Education. April 26, 2023 is our 144th day of instruction. Upcoming dates of interest include Primary Election day on May 16th, student's last day of instruction on May 25th, teacher work day on May 26th, and closing day on May 30th.

Pupil Personnel



Board Action

Review of Continuation of Learning Plan- Non Traditional Instruction for 2023-2024

The Non-Traditional Instruction(NTI) Program allows for the continuation of learning on days when our district is closed due to health or safety reasons. The Continuation of Learning Plan (CLP) is our blueprint to deliver instruction to all students during an NTI day and includes the planning, implementation, and monitoring of our effectiveness in interacting with students and their learning during an NTI day. The Continuation of Learning Plan is completed as a diagnostic during Phase 4 of the Comprehensive District Improvement Plan. Implementation of this plan for up to ten days yearly is contingent on approval from the Commissioner of Education.

Student Services

Newport Primary School Family Resource Center (March 14, 2023 - April 18, 2023)

Molly Wesley, Coordinator

Support to Students (the following were provided to students):

77 items of clothing were distributed from the FRC clothing closet since last report

2 backpacks were given to students since last report

Care Closet referrals were made for 5 students since last report - for them to “shop” with the on-site volunteer

Three students were approved through Lion’s Club for eyeglasses, eye exams and/or eyeglass repair through Opticare

Care Closet diaper program provided diapers for 25 babies connected to NPS in April

The NPS/FRC assisted with Pull Ups for a family, due to the Care Closet diaper program not providing Pull Ups

114 unduplicated students have received PowerPacks year-to-date; 79 students in March

Twenty-two students were referred for the Big Brothers Big Sisters Lunch Buddy program; nine students have active Lunch Buddies meeting with them weekly

Two families were referred to the Brighton Center’s Community Well Being program for case management

One family received a space heater from a Care Closet donation

Mrs. Hofstetter supported three students in submitting artwork to the local VFW Post for the annual Patriotic art contest - on April 12, all three placed and received prizes for their art

Molly transported one student from their home to the April 15 soccer game at NHS, and also provided cleats, shin guards and soccer socks, and a haircut.

Mr. Ed transported one student from their home to the April 15 soccer game at NHS, and also provided cleats, shin guards and soccer socks.

Donations since the last report:

Since last report, the FRC has received many donations:

- of gently used clothing, including coats, shoes, household items
- items for the Cat Cash Store
- PowerPacks were delivered from Freestore Foodbank on March 24
- Busken Bakery donated unsold doughnuts to Newport Schools on March 24, March 31, and April 14.
- \$500 gift certificate for First Books from KPMG accounting firm
- March 29 - Lee Bass donated books to the NPS library in memory of former teacher, Patty Wilkins
- April 14 - community members donated cleats, shin guards and soccer socks to NPS prior to the first game of the recreational soccer season

Professional Contacts/Community Collaborations:

Social media posts since last report: Cheering on the NHS basketball team prior to their game at the State tournament, LIHEAP Energy bill assistance from the CAC, NPS 2nd graders “buddy reading” to Preschoolers, Kentucky foster homes are needed, Dolly Parton’s Imagination Library, Newport librarian receiving the Prinz Award, an available local apartment, Class Picture Day, Early Childhood Festival and

Open House information, VFW Post Awards for Hannah Mayle (Teacher of the Year) and 3 students for their patriotic art

March 15 - ARC meeting regarding student with whom the FRC closely works

Student Support Team meeting on **March 21**

District Transportation meeting on **March 21** with Mr. Maines, Kristy McNally and Molly regarding ideas and needs

Community Well Being - Molly and Kristy McNally met on **March 22** with Brighton Center Community Well Being staff about their program and services available to families

Bornlearning Academy End-of-Year Banquet (**March 23**)

KPMG volunteers read "Brains: Not Just a Zombie Snack" to 2nd graders and did a project around the parts of the brain on **March 23**

Busken surplus baked goods donated to Newport Schools and brought to all locations on **February 17, February 24, March 3, and March 10**

21CCLC meeting about summer programming on **March 29**

House Parties took place at NPS from 1:30-3:00 on **March 31**

Ethan the Brave is an assembly program about inclusion and disabilities that Skool Aid presented to all NPS students in K-2nd grade on **April 11**

Early Childhood Festival and Open House was held at NPS on **April 12**, kicking off enrollment for the 23-24 school year and introducing Kindergarten Readiness concepts to community members

VFW Post Awards were presented at 7:00 on **April 12** to Hannah Mayle (Kindergarten teacher) for VFW Teacher of the Year, and to 3 NPS students for their patriotic art

On **April 12**, Molly and Kristy visited the Make It Rain athletic training facility in Newport

Big Brother Big Sister staff met on **April 13** with Mrs. Hayden and Molly regarding the Lunch Buddy program

On **April 14**, the County Extension Office and East Row Garden Club joined Tiffany Budd at NPS to walk around the perimeter to continue discussing the addition of green spaces to the NPS campus.

On **April 17**, students arriving to school on time received a doughnut from Busken, and adults transporting or delivering students to school were offered coffee.

On **April 17** Big Brother Big Sister staff met with NPS Lunch Buddy students to discuss the year

FRC staff is working on an ongoing basis around the following:

Filling in at the front office due to ongoing medical leave of secretary, fill staff and student spiritwear orders, oversee NPS/FRC and GEER budgets and expenditures, facilitate monthly Adopt a Class visits or activities, submit monthly reports to the Freestore Foodbank regarding PowerPacks, purchasing items for calm down areas within the building, purchasing items for and promoting the support group for families who have students on the autism spectrum or who have issues with anxiety etc., and currently writing a grant to the National Center for Families Learning to fund the work previously funded by GEER funds

Newport Intermediate School Family Resource Center

Marshelle Watkins- Blackwell, Coordinator

Support to Students (the following were provided to students):

The YSC continues to assist families with school supplies, clothing, shoes, household items, basic need items and hygiene products

The YSC continues to provide snack food for our Guidance Counselors office, Front Office, YSC office, SRO office and Technology office for students who are hungry.

The YSC continues to highlight seniors being accepted to college, universities, trade schools, the military and students receiving promotions at the place of employment

4 families received \$100.00 Kroger gift card

5 students received Tank/Metro Bus pass

YSC provided snack food for Soccer club and Track and Field Team

April is Child Abuse Prevent Month

March 31 – April 3 Upward Bound Senior Chicago Trip

4 – 6 YSC provided food, hygiene supplies and clothing for 6 students

Spring Break College Tour (Tuesday-Thursday) – Roger Johnson Foundation

Midway College, Berea College, Eastern Kentucky University, Western Kentucky University, and The University of Louisville

7 Spoke with Ken Rehtin, city commissioner about being a guest speaker

8 Silent Saturday Community Partners Celebration

9 Met with David Schoo from River City Metals

10-26 Sold Candy Bars for Washington DC trip and Sold After Prom Tickets

10 Met with Johnnie Bergman from TRIO Programs

11 Community Well Being Grant Planning Meeting

12 Campbell County Drug Free Alliance Meeting

13 Donna Off – Father and Mother In Law in hospital

14 YSC and 21st Century Summer Budget meeting

14 After Prom Meeting with committee

15 Hosted Cleanup Day with men of Kappa Alpha Psi at Southgate School

17 YSC Celebrating Autism Awareness Week

17 Provided hygiene supplies and clothes for several FBLA students

18 AFD Budget meeting

19 Newport and Covington FRYSC Event Planning Meeting

20 Upward Bound Meeting at NHS

20 Cats Cash Reward Day

22 Upward Bound Meeting – 9a-3p NKU Landrum Building

24 FRYSC Needs Assessment Training

25 Vaping Presentation

26 Calendar Meeting

27-30 After Prom decorating and event.

YSC secured guest speakers with Shannon Gubser for Gifted and Talented Students

4/10 – Newport Schools Superintendent

4/17 - paralegal/criminal justice

4/18 - transportation and manufacturing

4/24 - Electrical/CIT/River City Network Hubs

4/25 – Newport City Commissioner

Newport High School Youth Services Center

Donna Watts, Coordinator

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McKinney Vento

Kristy McNally, Coordinator

Total MV students as of 4/18/2023

Total: March 178→

Doubled Up: 145

Hotel: 15

Shelter/Transitional Housing: 17
Unsheltered/Inadequate Housing: 1
Unaccompanied Youth: 43

Transportation: Students have benefitted from:

NSTEP Van: 31 total (currently 24)/includes afterschool programming

Bus passes: 6 students

Gas Cards: 10 students

Taxi: 6

Cross district from another district: 9 students

Cross district assistance: Kenton Cty 3 students (2 van/1 gas card)

Financial assistance: Two tuxedos for Prom, Multiple prom tickets (purchased from donation fund)

Community referrals: 4

Donations: Pickens family-30 doz eggs for STK

Programming/Supports:

Diversity Wildcats (NIS) (8 students)

Student Advocate Program (NHS) (3-7 students)

Wildcat Hustlers (NIS)- 37 runners *Wildcat Hustle Run is May 10th 3:30

Mr. Ed meets with NPS student 1 day a week (lunch buddy)/Kristy meets with 2 students 1 day a week

Volunteer meets Tuesdays with 1 NIS MV student to work on reading and 1 NHS MV student to work on testing strategies/weekly check in

People Stronger Together (PST) in conjunction with Born Learning ended on 3/24/23 (20 parents)-End of year celebration.



People Stronger Together
End of Year Celebration
March 2023

Meeting with Brighton Center Community for Well Being staff about referrals 3/22/23

Meeting with NKU professor to talk about a possible partnership/program for next school year

4/5/23 Assisted with Early Childhood Festival at NPS 4/12/23

Assisted getting bunk bed to family 4/12/23

Homeless Education Collaborative 4/26/23

KDE monitoring visit April 26

STK dates this month: 4/13/23 and 4/27/23 Serving 60 families 2x a month

21st Century

Cassandra Patterson

District Director

NPS- Served 104 students this school year; 75 are regular attendees

NIS- Served 104 students this school year; 75 are regular attendees

NHS- Served 186 students this school year; 23 are regular attendees

Cassandra Patterson and Marshelle Watkins-Blackwell presented at the National After-School Alliance in Orlando, FL, in March. They presented on how to rebrand a program and go from the side lines to center stage.

All schools are preparing for summer programming. This year Camp Wildcat is titled “Mission to Success”. Students will focus on remediation in math and reading while participating in fun enrichments and engaging field trips.

KDE came and did a technical review at both NIS and NHS since we are in year one of our continuation grant cycles. We will receive any findings and have time to make corrections before our formal visit in the Fall of 2023.

School Health Center

Pam Pedigo, Health Center Coordinator

Student visits to Nurse office 3/21 through 4/17 were as follows:

NPS: 560 student visits; one daily urinary catheterization. 12 daily medications.

NIS: 492 student visits; 3 diabetics management daily. 14 daily medications.

NHS: 419 student visits; one supervised student self catheterization. 7 daily medications.

NP, Liz Tanner saw 52 students and in that group did 52 sick visits, 22 school physicals and 8 students received vaccines. In addition to that 23 staff members were seen for sick visits.