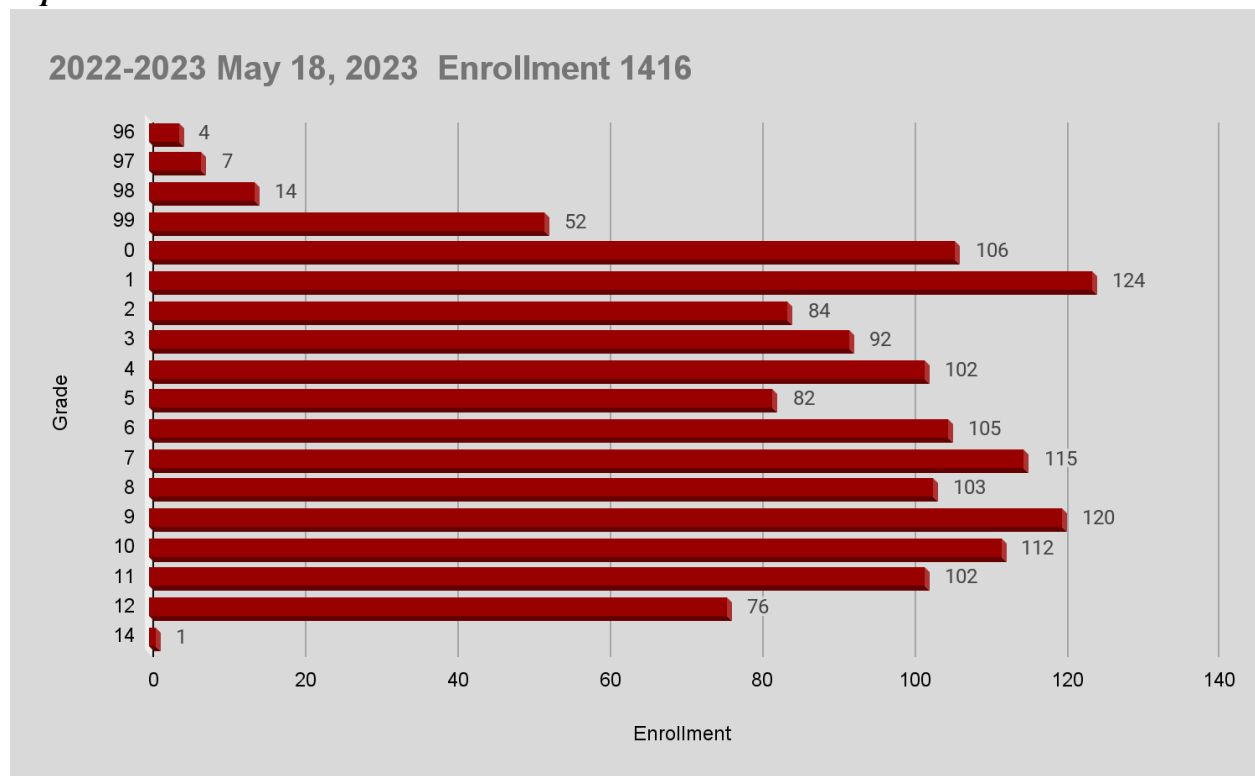


***Newport Independent Schools***  
**Director Pupil Personnel and Student Services Report**  
**Regular Meeting**  
**May 24, 2023**

*Good evening Madam Chair and members of the Board of Education. May 24th is our 163rd day of instruction and tomorrow is the last day for students. Teachers have a planned work day for Friday, May 26th to account for our March closure date. Closing day will occur on Monday, May 30th.*

***Pupil Personnel***



**Attendance Reporting**

District Attendance Summary Month 8	
School	Funding %
Newport High	92.08
Newport Intermediate	94.5
Newport Primary	94.52
Total	93.7

<b>District Attendance Summary Month 9</b>	
<b>School</b>	<b>Funding %</b>
<b>Newport High</b>	<b>91.12</b>
<b>Newport Intermediate</b>	<b>95.9</b>
<b>Newport Primary</b>	<b>95.17</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>93.6</b>

### **Summer Work**

- ❖ Code of Conduct Guidance will be updated to reflect new legislation and updated board policies.
- ❖ Alternatives to Punitive Discipline work will continue with preparation of year two of implementation and training with school administrators. We have surpassed our year I goal for specific and marginalized populations.
- ❖ Leadership Retreat- June- Year II Action Planning will be held on day 2 retreat. School administrators have reflected with their teams and will be revising the current plan and/or creating their next action plan.
- ❖ Leadership retreat- July- Training for School Administrative Teams: IC for Administrators, Code of Conduct, Continuation of Learning Plan (NTI), Individual Learning Plans for Alternative settings, Substance Abuse programming Tiers I, II, and III, in addition to Data Literacy via EduClimber.
- ❖ Curriculum Work- Behavior, Social Emotional, and Wellness committees will meet in July to review evidence based programming for universal implementation.
- ❖ Non-Resident Enrollment will continue with approval and denial for current year students, approval/denial for 2023/2024 enrollment. It is the intent to bring an updated policy/procedure to the board in July, further refining the process.
- ❖ SAAR- The Superintendents Annual Attendance Report will be submitted in June and allows for communication on the funding we will receive for the next school year.
- ❖ End of Year Data Review- All data reviewed for the 2022/2023 school year will have a final report in June with next step actions included in our next Action Plan. Data that is reviewed includes: Terrace Metrics SEL data, attendance data, behavior data, truancy tracking, MTSS for Behavior/Attendance, mental health outcomes, vaccination outcomes.
- ❖ Immunization- I will be reaching back out to families that continue to fall outside of the immunization guidelines. Additional steps have been taken instead of filing medical neglect or denying enrollment to students.

## ***Student Services***

**Newport Primary School Family Resource Center (April 18, 2023 - May 18, 2023)**

**Molly Wesley, Coordinator**

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

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

Care Closet referrals were made for 7 students since last report - for them to “shop” with the on-site volunteer

A student was approved through Lion’s Club for eyeglasses, eye exams and/or eyeglass repair through Opticare

Care Closet diaper program provided diapers for 24 babies connected to NPS in May

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

117 unduplicated students have received PowerPacks year-to-date; 80 students in May

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

Molly transported one student from their home to the April 22 & 29 soccer games at NHS

Mr. Ed transported one student from their home to the April 22 & 29 soccer games at NHS

**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 May 5
- Busken Bakery donated unsold doughnuts to Newport Schools on April 21, April 28, May 5, and May 12.

**Professional Contacts/Community Collaborations:**

Social media posts since last report: Exceptional Children Have Exceptional Caregivers!! City of Newport tree planting on York Street, Newport Primary School Lost and Found, Charities Guild shoe giveaway event, Newport Primary Girls Run Club at the 26th Mile, 21CCLC Family Night on June 1st, Northern Kentucky Community Action Center Fatherhood Program, Community Collaboration for Children meeting and training.

**April 18** - Newport FRYSCs met to discuss FY24 budget

**April 19** - Family Fun Night at NPS around Science, Technology, ELL, Art, Music

**April 20** - KPMG literacy event with all 2nd grade classrooms

**April 20** - VFW District Level Teacher of the Year award at the Dayton, KY VFW

**April 21, April 28, May 5, May 12** - Busken donates unsold doughnuts to Newport Schools

**April 21** - Charities Guild meeting about the shoe giveaway event

**April 22 and 29** - Assistance

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

**Newport Intermediate School Family Resource Center**

**Marshelle Watkins- Blackwell, Coordinator**

**Weekend Bags** - Family Resource Center (FRC) Coordinator has distributed Weekend to NIS students and families requesting extra food support. Family Resource Center Coordinator restocks and replenishes food and hygiene items as needed.

**Stock the Kitchen**- Family Resource Center Coordinator referred families requesting extra support and assisted in orders of food and household supplies for families in need.

**Live Well Newport**- Family Resource Center Coordinator has continued to partner with the Live Well Newport to assist NIS students and families with resources and community engagement opportunities. FRC is trying to assist with leadership and community engagement opportunities for NIS students.

53 students' basic needs were supported by NIS FRC

FRYSC Budget Meeting

Newport Safety Walk Meeting

NIS Student Awards and Party

Meeting with Brighton Center- Educational Supports

Advisory Council planning meeting for 2023-2024

Newport Intermediate Caregiver Surveys and Data Analysis

Staff Professional Development- Family Resource Center Coordinator completed for 2022-2023 School year

Newport School's Volunteer Engagement Meeting

School Supplies - Family Resource Center Coordinator supplied NIS students with school supplies

Family Resource Center Coordinator helped in organizing sixth grade graduations and planning of 3-5<sup>th</sup> grade field day

Newport Co-lab- Needs Survey Design Meeting

Family Resource Center Coordinator answered incoming calls, as families requested daily updates on

FRYSC service.  
 NIS Coordinator contacted families with resources to help improve attendance.  
 Family Resource Center Coordinator met Media Specialist to help plan, promote and organize the NIS Spring Book Fair  
 Helped to support and set up Dental program  
 EL teacher collaborative meeting for NIS family  
 Glasses support for students  
 Parent Calls  
 NIS Student Support Meeting  
 Community Partnerships- Family Resource Center Coordinator hosted meetings or collaborated with community partners  
 Collaboration with NIS Media Specialist to plan a book fair  
 Big Brothers and Big Sisters program recruitment  
 Family Night Planning- Summer Kick off Jun 1, 2023 4pm-6pm.  
 Collaboration with Newport School's Food Service for Summer Kick off - Family Night June 1st  
 NIS Coordinator continues to work with Adopt- a- Class mentoring program.  
 Met NIS at- risk (homelessness)parent in need of housing  
 Advisory Council Meeting- Family Resource Center Coordinator made preparations for upcoming NIS Advisory Council to a meeting held on May 05, 2023.  
 Coordinator had participated in KSA testing training.  
 Coordinator had participated in KSA testing supports  
 23 Care Closet Shoppers- Family Resource Center Coordinator provided 21 pairs of shoes for NIS students  
 Shoe Drive at NPS-180 pairs of shoes  
 School Support- Family Resource Center Coordinator assisted with classroom supplies for NIS teachers and supplies for testing  
 PLP and Household Income Forms- IC documentations  
 Family Engagement- Family Resource Center Coordinator collaborated with school and district staff to support vaping prevention strategies  
 FRC applied for mini grant to support anti-vaping usage  
 FRC was awarded \$2,500 in a mini grant  
 FRC Advisory By – Laws updated and approved  
 Planned, organized, shopped and marketed for Family Night  
 FRC hosted - Through the Decade Family Night- Throwback Thursday  
 FRYSC DEI Coalition  
 GEER II Spending Plan

### **Newport High School Youth Services Center**

#### **Donna Watts, Coordinator**

#### **Support to Students/Families (the following were provided to students):**

90 clothing items were given to students  
 4 pairs of shoes from YSC Office  
 2 pairs of shoes with Charity Guild  
 15 students received school supplies  
 1 family received \$40.00 in Speedway Gas Gift Crd  
 3 families received \$50.00 in Kroger Gift Cards  
 3 students received TANK/METRO bus weekly pass - each Monday  
 3 referrals to Care Closet

YSC provided diapers for 5 parenting students

55 students received basic need and or hygiene products from the YSC

YSC Coordinator spoke with a parent regarding Glasses

### **YSC continues to post all school events on Facebook and Twitter Pages**

#### **Donations since the last report:**

YSC donated the following for Testing and Awards Day:

2 bicycles, 2 skateboard, bags of chips, candy, water, selfie camera's, Kona Ice, Popcorn, Frisch's Big Boy coupons, NHS Snack Cash Coupons, and Pencils.

April is Child Abuse Prevent Month

- 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
- 25 Senior Awards Night
- 26 Arrive Alive Simulation for Juniors and Seniors
- 26 Calendar Meeting
- 25-30 After Prom decorating and event.

May

- 4 FRYSC Budget meeting
- 9 NHS YSC Advisory Council Meeting
- 9 Campbell County Drug Free Alliance Meeting
- 10 Washington DC Planning Meeting with students
- 11 Upward Bound Meeting at NHS
- 13 Upward Bound Meeting – 9a-3p NKU Landrum Building
- 14 Brighton Center and YSC summer planning meeting
- 15 Upward Bound Freshman recruiting meeting
- 17 Campbell County Newport Branch Library and YSC summer program meeting
- 18 Cats Cash Reward Day

#### **Professional Contacts/Community Collaborations**

Guest Speakers for Gifted and Talented Students

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

4/25 – Ken Rehtin - Newport City Commissioner

5/1 – Massage and Medical Assistance – Gateway Community and Technical College

5/2 – Nursing – Gateway Community and Technical College

**The YSC will be handing out 38 Purple Cords to seniors who completed 35 or more community service hours with the YSC during their years at Newport High School.**

**McKinney Vento**

**Kristy McNally, Coordinator**

**Total MV students as of 4/18/2023**

**Total: April 199→ May: 210**

Doubled Up: 168  
Hotel: 15  
Shelter/Transitional Housing: 17  
Unsheltered/Inadequate Housing: 10  
Unaccompanied Youth: 45

**Transportation:** Students have benefitted from:

NSTEP Van: 36 total (currently 24)/includes afterschool programming

Bus passes: 7 students

Gas Cards: 10 students

Taxi: 8

Cross district from another district: 9 students

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

**Financial assistance:** 1 Duke bill assistance, 1 Sanitation bill assistance

**Community referrals:** 2

**Donations:** Clothing, household, Anthem-\$1200 to pay for Wildcat Hustler t-shirts

**Programming/Supports:**

Diversity Wildcats (NIS) (8 students)- students ended with trip to Velocity ESports at Newport on the Levee

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

Wildcat Hustlers (NIS)- 37 runners \*Wildcat Hustle Run was May 10, over 120 people in attendance



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  
Perkins Stakeholder meeting 4/20/23  
Meeting with NAMI/Apple of his eye regarding programming around mental health-4/21/23  
Homeless Education Collaborative 4/26/23  
KDE monitoring visit April 26- went well  
Wildcat Hustlers will be participating in Memorial Day Parade Monday 29th-9:00 am

**STK dates this month: 5/11/23 and 5/25/23** Serving 60 families 2x a month

## **21st Century**

**Cassandra Patterson**

### **District Director**

After school programming ended on May 11th. We provided services to 395 students district wide this school year. Our morning program will run until the last day of school. We are currently ramping up for our summer program that will run from June 5th- 30th. We will be hosting a summer kick off at Bernadette Watkins Park on June 1st from 4-6pm. The theme for the evening is There Is No "I" In Team, where we will stress the importance of family bonding during the summer months. Along with our Camp Wildcat we are hosting our first ever "enrichment only" Drama Camp this year. It will be for 3rd-12th grades and it will be run by Brittney Stacy, our NHS drama teacher. We are also excited to offer Little Wildcats this year, a pilot program for 3 & 4 year old, potty trained, children of our staff that are working the summer program. The staff will be charged a fee of \$75 dollars for the four weeks and will be able to get childcare while they provide our students with much needed extra support.

## **School Health Center**

**Pam Pedigo, RN**

Visits to School Nurse April 17 through May 17:

NPS: 726

NIS: 673

NHS: 757

SBHC numbers April 17 through May 17:

Liz Tanner, NP saw 50 patients in the SBHC. Within that number were 5 sick staff members and 22 sick students. Liz has provided 7 vaccines to students and performed 15 physicals. The SBHC and the services of Liz Tanner, NP have been critical to our compliance improvements in both school physicals and vaccines.

Vaccines have been a district-wide focus for a few months now. Vaccine compliance at NPS and NIS is quite respectable now, percentage-wise, probably 98-100%. The HS compliance has also improved from what it was earlier in the school year, as a percentage.

Most of the state required health screenings are in two grade levels; kindergarten and 6th grade. And Newport Schools, I would say, would score poorly in compliance with these statutes. In the past, it was a matter of being unwilling to deny school access for non-compliance with health screenings. We devised a different strategy. Since 6th grade is a year in which additional vaccines and an additional school physical are required; we focused rather laser-like on getting these students in full compliance. Liz Tanner, NP was essential in obtaining compliance with 6th grade required school physicals and vaccine compliance across the board. We've been largely successful in that this year's 6th grade students are very nearly 100% compliant with all the health screenings: up-to-date vaccines, up-to-date school physicals, recorded vision exams and recorded dental screenings. So, the strategy is that the 6th grade class moving up to the HS this year will have all their KDE requirements met except for that 16-year-old meningococcal vaccine coming due. And NPS is largely in compliance with all the requirements too. Hopefully, this sets us up for respectable compliance across grade levels going forward.

During my tenure here, we moved all our documentation into a paperless, technology-based format within Infinite Campus. The nursing services worked diligently to keep up with the CDC guidance through Covid and updating our school policies to match the CDC. The CDC was often difficult to understand and even the medical community had to read their guidance multiple times before beginning to understand it. Then write a structure that can be practiced and documented in a school setting. That was a pretty intense time for us. Once that crisis ended, we settled back into improving our compliance and

documentation. We improved our communication and coordination with the special education department; which helped us improve our understanding of the methods and procedures. Thus, nursing wrote more IEP/IHP than we had before.