

## **February 2025 Board Report**

**Family Resource and Youth Service Center  
Newport Primary School Family Resource Center  
Molly Wesley, Coordinator (1/16/25-2/14/25)**

### **Support to Students/Families (the following were provided during this reporting period):**

- 40 items of clothing were distributed from the FRC clothing closet, due to students needing to change clothing
- The FRC provided backpacks to 3 students since the last report
- Molly assisted one family in obtaining a birth certificate needed for their child to proceed with special education referral
- Two students was referred to the Care Closet, to “shop” with volunteer, Miss Nancy
- On 1/17, 1/24, 1/31, 2/7, and 2/14, 68 unduplicated students received PowerPacks
- Molly had contact with a couple of families about students with attendance concerns
- Molly had contact with 5 families regarding their students’ eyeglasses!
- Care Closet diapers were distributed on February 10 to 39 infants connected to NPS, most during a home visit.
- Seven (7) NPS students meet weekly with a One-to-One Reader, and three (3) additional students will be matched with one-to-one readers soon!
- The FRC is funding supplies for the new “Sundae Scholar” project. Students all took home their grade level sight words to practice, and caregivers notify the Principal when their student has mastered them and is ready to be screened at school. When students pass the screening, they are invited to make an ice cream sundae, to celebrate this achievement! So far in the 2nd semester, 3 students have earned their sundaes!
- Molly recruited a community volunteer (who speaks Spanish and also lives in the immediate neighborhood of the school) to assist with a few students who are “newcomers” to the United States. He is getting increasingly involved at NPS!!!
- The NPS/FRC paid \$200 toward a student’s family’s Duke bill, and \$200 toward a student’s family’s NKy Water bill
- Molly did a home visit to contact a family to whom the school nurse needed to speak, yet could not reach.
- Molly did a home visit to meet with a mother regarding her reported domestic violence.
- Molly did a home visit to check on a student during NTI.
- Molly did a home visit to confirm parent attendance at a student’s ARC meeting.
- Molly did a home visit to deliver furniture to 2 NPS families’ homes.
- Molly shared the link used to report child abuse/neglect with a community member who asked for this information
- Molly is collaborating with a NPS family, NPS staff and community resources regarding a student’s hearing

### **Donations since the last reporting period:**

- A community member donated 2 chests of drawers and a bed frame, to share with NPS families
- A community member donated 2 sets of queen mattresses and box springs to share with NPS families
- A staff member donated a TV to share with a NPS family
- St. Paul’s Church in Newport donated 31 gloves, 26 hats, 22 pairs of girls underwear, 21 pairs of boys underwear, 94 pairs of socks
- Doughnuts every Friday, from Busken on Madison Road in Oakley

- January 31 - Cam Cares collection of underwear and socks from the Campbell County libraries
- February 3 - Queen City Book Bank donated a teacher-selected book for all students K-2nd

Social media posts since last reporting period: Information about the Campbell County Cold Shelter, Information about the United Way 2-1-1 resource line, Announcement about NTI Day on 1/22 & 2/4 & 2/5, Announcement about the “Battle of the Bridges” Step Show/fundraiser at NHS, Information in Spanish about free vaccinations, Announcement about Mrs. Bravo being a finalist for the Gold Star Teacher of the Year, Announcement about the 100th Day of School, Information about upcoming Preschool Family Night, Information about Barleycorn Brewhouse fundraiser for the NPS/FRC, Announcement about FRYSC Week

### **Meetings/Events:**

- January 17 - Molly attended the Adopt a Class visit to Mrs. McGroarty’s 1st grade class by the Crossroads Mens group
- January 20 - Molly and Kristy McNally spoke to a group of community members at the East Row Pool and Social Club, about ways to engage with Newport Schools
- January 21 - Student Support Team meeting from 9:00-10:00
- January 21 - FRYSCs were invited to united Wa from 11:00-12:30 to learn about the updated 2-1-1 resource help line
- January 21 - NPS Safety Committee Meeting at 3:20
- January 24 - iReady training from 10:00-11:30
- January 27 - Some staff members met with Jeff Richardson, Newport community member, about supporting our EL families
- January 27 - Molly met with Angie Long at 4:30 (Newport City Church of God) regarding future engagement and next year’s Christmas
- January 28 - Community Well Being Alliance meeting
- January 29 and February 12 - Molly accompanied these 2 2nd grade classrooms on a Adopt a Class sponsored field trip to the Contemporary Arts Center
- January 31 - Adopt a Class visit to Ms. Staude’s Kindergarten class by Brighton Center
- January 31 - Adopt a Class visit to Mrs. Powell, Mrs. Mariani, and Mrs. Goines’ 2nd grade classrooms by NKU Mens soccer teams
- February 5 - People Stronger Together and Parent Cafe met for the second time between 5:30-7:00 at NPS. Skool Aid did programming for school-aged students, and Brighton Center provided child care with the younger-than-school-age children
- February 7 - Adopt a Class visit to Mrs. Bravo and Ms. Chalfant’s 2nd grade classrooms by PricewaterhouseCoopers
- February 8 - attended the “Battle of the Bridges” step show and fundraiser at Newport High School
- February 10 - 100th Day of School - the FRC provided Busken cookies with the NPS mascot on them to all students arriving to school on time
- February 12 - Barleycorn Brewhouse donated a percentage of sales to the NPS/FRC
- February 13 - Molly accompanied 12 students, Mrs. Hayden and Ms. Kaake to the City Building for Career interviews
- February 14 - Attendance Committee meetings

FRC staff is working on an ongoing basis around the following: keeping books stocked in the Little Library by the NPS flagpole; assist in communicating between Adopt a Class partners and classroom teachers; assist in communicating between Queen City Book Bank and teachers regarding ordering books; assist in communication between KPMG and classrooms in which their volunteers mentor monthly; accept and sort donations and send donation receipts; reviewing and submitting Household Income

Forms; routine review and assessment of FRC budget balance, needs and expenditures; monthly reports to Freestore Foodbank about PowerPack distributions; monthly reports to Assistance League of Greater Cincinnati about distribution of fleece pants; Advisory Council meeting planning; serve on committee to plan Family Engagement events

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

**Marshelle Watkins- Blackwell, Coordinator**

**Support to Students** (the following were distributed to students)

7-Hygiene

11- Students were supported with emergency clothing needs

6- Hygiene Support

13 Home visits for Attendance and

Vision supports

176- Food Bags

8- NIS Care Closet Shoppers

2- Shoes and Socks

7- Winter supplies(hat,coat, gloves, warm socks)

2- Grief Support

**Donations** (the following donations were received

Basic need items- Care Closet - \$500

Basic needs items Campbell County Library- \$150

**Professional Contact/Community Collaborations**

KY DEI Coalition

NKY Family Engagement Coalition

Amazing Race Night Planning

NIS Spring into Wellness, Planning

Organized NIS FRC fundraiser

Community Partner Meeting

NIS Advisory Planning

Advisory Meeting

Advisory By-law updates

BBBS Check-in and mentor

Adopt – A- Class

University of KY Psychological Recovery- Certification Training

Traumatic Stress Training

Phone Conference :Big Smiles- Program Management

Phone ConferenceMarigold Magazine Editor- NIS Black History Contest

Parent Supports

Live Well Newport Meeting

Campbell County Drug Free Meeting

**School Collaborations & Contacts**

Dr. Michael- FRC updates

Mrs. Johnson - Academic Supports

Ms. Abney- Community Garden Planning for Spring 2025

Weekly Attendance PLC's

EL Teachers- Students Report

[Katie Lucas](#)- Marketing Supports

Parent Information Meeting

Kristy McNally- Family Supports

Amber Onkst- Career Day

Mrs. Wilson – Student. Basic needs support  
Dawn Schoo- Attendance follow-up  
Ms. Martin- EL Families Support  
Bookfair Family Night Planning  
Lisa Highchew- Budget updates  
Career Day Planning  
Ms. Carius- Big Smiles Support Meeting  
Health Family Night Planning (Spring into Wellness)  
FRYSC Meeting- [Donna Watts](#)  
Meetings & Training Participation

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

### **Donna Watts, Coordinator**

(January 17, 2025 – February 13, 2025)

Support to Students/Families (the following were provided during this reporting period):

Coordinator made 7 Well Care bags for Counselor, James Orcena to make Home Visits

Coordinator made 6 Home Visits

32 items of clothing were distributed from the YSC office

45 Hygiene products distributed from the YSC office

3 families receive Hygiene products and Household items from the YSC office

150 School Supplies distributed from the YSC office

Coordinator gave 3 vouchers for eyeglasses for students

6 Coats were distributed to students from the YSC office

12 pairs of gloves were distributed to students from the YSC office

The YSC is funding supplies and prizes for PBIS rewards

Coordinator nominated 2 seniors for NAACP Scholarships

Coordinator raised \$957.00 from the Step Show for the Disney Trip

Students, Parents and Coordinator raised \$211.40 from Sneaker Ball concessions

Good Deeds raised \$2,871.00 from the Step Show

Coordinator made Disney Resort and Southwest Airline reservations

Coordinator and Latasha Luke made snack bags and posters for boys and girls basketball teams, cheerleaders and band members

Coordinator met with 3 NKU Practicum students

Coordinator assist 5 students with FAFSA – KHEAA, Upward Bound Directors and Kristy McNally met with students as well in the YSC office

Coordinator sent out email soliciting community partners, Men Making A Difference Group, and NKU students to volunteer for No One Eats Alone on February 21, 2025

Coordinator spoke with Erin Peterson regarding Cinderella's Closet

12 girls are signed up to receive Prom clothing

### **Donations**

- 3 Kids Bikes and 1 scooter from Good Deeds Foundation for Amazing Race
- YSC donated supplies for the Sneaker Ball
- YSC donated supplies for Amazing Race
- St. Vincent De Paul donated 3 coats to the YSC office

January 2025 – Native American Heritage Celebration Month

17 Middle School Dance

20 Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Scholarship Luncheon

21 Educate NKY United Way Meeting

- 21 Student Support Team Meeting
- 23 Upward Bound Meeting
- 25 Upward Bound Meeting
- 28 Amazing Race Meeting

February – National Black History Month

- 3 Meet with NKU Practicum Student
- 4 Educate NKY United Way Meeting
- 5 Step Show Meeting
- 8 Black History Heritage Celebration
- 11 Community Collaboration for Children Regional Meeting
- 12 Carnival, Career Fair, No One Eats Alone, and Budget meeting at NIS FRC
- 13 Meet with NKU Practicum Student
- 13 Cinderella Closet Dress Give Away lunchtime NHSCafeteria
- 13 Valentine Product Sale during lunchtime - DisneyStudents

**NHS YSC Professional Contact**

Adrein Taylor	Good Deeds Foundations - DJ
Aliyah Cannon	Good Deeds Foundations
Betty Pennington	CHFS FRYSC Region 4 Director
Cadeja Hays	Good Deeds Foundations
Charla Jones	Newport High School Cheerleading Coach
Christie Jefferds	NKISP Director
Courtney Hurst	Good Deeds Foundations
Danielle Carr	Bellevue High School YSC Coordinator
Daylin Garland, Sr.	Newport Parks and Recreation Director
Donna & Lou Dahmann	Class of 1964 Holiday Gift Card Challenge
DeShawn King	Good Deeds Foundation
Georgia Harris	Dayton YSC Coordinator
Gregory Moore	NKU African American Student Initiatives Director
Hanson Nguyen	NKU Center for Student Engagement Coordinator
Isaiah Jones	Good Deeds Foundation
Jackie Graves	Big Brothers Big Sisters
James Ramsey	Mentoring Plus Program Director
Jim Cutter	Cutter Constructions
Joe Leopold	NKU Center for Student Engagement Director
Johnny Bergmann	Upward Bound Director
Kathy Hitchcock	NHS Parent and YSC Advisory Council Member
Kelly Pompilio	Alexandria Police Department Social Worker
Ken Rehtin	City of Newport Commissioner
Kimberly Colston	City of Newport City Executive Secretary
Lamonte Engelmon	Mentoring Plus
Lorraine O'Moore	NaviGo & Learning Grove
Nancy Costello	Educate NKY
Ren McNay Kerans	Brighton Center, Inc.
Renata Watts	Holmes Middle School YSC Coordinator
Rose Curtin	NHS Guardian and YSC Advisory Council Member
SPC, Jacob Speckett	Kentucky Army National Guard
Stacey Vater-Adidou	Newport Alumni Cheerleaders President
Taurus Montgomery	Character Development Coach

Tekerah Washington  
Tiburcio Lince  
Vanessa Kuhn  
Vicky Woods Vince

NKU Senior Academic Advisor and Gateway CTC Professor  
Northern Kentucky University Latino Student Initiatives Director  
Bellevue Schools Mental Health Coordinator  
Classof 1964 Holiday Gift Card Challenge

### **School Collaborations & Contacts**

Adam Gillespie  
Angela Kennedy  
Aubrey New  
Bonnie Stacey  
Douglas Clark  
Ed Davis  
Esther Fatsy  
Jennifer Hoover  
Julie Kaeff  
Katie Lucas  
Kevin Reinhardt  
Kimberly Cornett  
Kristy McNally  
Lesley Duzan  
Marshelle Watkins-Blackwell  
Molly Schultz  
Natalie Wolfe  
ShaliyahCottie  
Sydney Cottie  
Taylor Gross  
Tony Watts  
Vickie Chamberlain

Adam Heidrich  
April Walsh  
Bert Richey  
Brittany Parr  
Dustin Hinson  
Elizabeth Kuhnell  
James Orcena  
Julia Hurst  
Kathi Baldwin  
Katrina Houston  
Kia Gearding  
Kim Weber  
Latasha Luke  
Lisa Hightchew  
Megan Brown  
Molly Wesley  
Peachy Taylor & Staff  
Shannon Meyer  
Tabetha Marsh  
Tim Grayson  
Torrie Watkins  
Zachary Rechten

### **McKinney Vento**

#### **Kristy McNally, Coordinator**

January: 158 → February: 170

Doubled Up: 128

Hotel: 9

Shelter/Trans. Housing: 25

Unsheltered/Inadequate: 8

Unaccompanied Youth: 39

#### **School Totals:**

NHS: 70 (65 last month)

NIS: 48 (46)

NPS: 49 (44)

NSOI: 4 (4)

**Transportation:** Students have benefitted from:

NSTEP Van: Current: 14 Total students who have used van for year: 38

Bus passes: Current: 3 Total students for year: 4

Gas Cards: Current: 2 Total for year: 8

Transportation assistance from another district: Current: 4 students Total for year: 5

Transportation assistance for another district: 2 students (2 gas cards)

**Programming/Supports:**

(On-going)

Diversity Wildcats (NIS) with UpSpring 14 Students

Diversity Wildcats (NPS) with UpSpring 13 Students

Diversity Wildcats (NHS) with UpSpring 4 Students

Mixed Martial Arts (NHS/NIS) partnered with 21C and Skool Aid 13 Students

NHS, NIS, NPS Attendance Committee meetings (weekly/monthly)

NHS, NIS, NPS Advisory Council

Stock the Kitchen: serving on average 45-60 unduplicated families (300+ individuals)

Amazing Race-Next Family Engagement Event-district wide Mar 4, 2025

Volunteers/Engagement for events total so far: 41 adults (staff & parents)/14 students)

(New)

People Stronger Together (Parent Group) Feb. 5- 16 parents, 20 students, 3 Brighton Center staff, 2 NISD staff

**Student/Community Supports:**

(Ongoing)

Assisted with Simplicity treatment

6 NIS students benefiting from academic and/or behavior supports with Mr. Ed

5 students meet with Ms. Katie during lunch- check in (NIS)

5 students check in/work on FAFSA/housing concerns... with Ms. Kristy during lunch (NHS)

2 students work on academics with NKU intern 1x a week

9 TBRA referrals w/ Brighton Center - (Tenant Based Rental Assistance)- 4 families permanently housed - program at capacity now

Community member- donated bed to family (Sleep in Heavenly Peace out of inventory)

Sight words continue to be big focus in NSTEP van after school- all students have a pack to practice with a partner- LED writing tablets added to van

(New)

NHS student's application to Opportunity House was highly praised-

Working on 2nd NHS application

Assisted with food delivery during snow emergency

Met with community stakeholders to discuss ways to support families potentially impacted by immigration concerns.

Supported Battle of Bridges Step Show Feb. 8

**21st Century Coordinator****Zach Rehtin**

- Programming continues in all three buildings
  - Recruiting students at NHS
  - Numbers stable at NIS
  - Recruiting teachers at NPS to alleviate student waiting list
- iReady Training soon to help understand/share academic progress of program participants
- Summer 2025 collaboration discussions with Buenger Boys & Girls Club during renovation
- Recruiting/Hiring Activity Assistants (college students) to support teachers in programming
- Working with American Legacy Theater to bring Performing Arts to NIS and NHS