

April 2025 Board Reporting

Family Resource and Youth Service Center

Newport Primary School Family Resource Center

Molly Wesley, Coordinator (March 18, 2025 - April 14, 2025)

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

- 52 items of clothing were distributed from the FRC clothing closet, due to students needing to change clothing
- Two students were referred to the Care Closet, to “shop” with volunteer, Miss Nancy
- On 3/21, 3/28, 4/3 and 4/4 , 78 unduplicated students received PowerPacks
- Molly had contact with 1 family regarding their student’s eyeglasses, and paid for them at Newport’s Opticare (with \$200 of EducateNKy funds)
- Ten (10) NPS students meet weekly with a One-to-One Reader
- Two student applications were submitted for Lunch Buddies
- 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, 29 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 (with Educate NKY funds) \$200 toward one NPS family’s Duke bill.
- Molly had contact with a family regarding their student’s excessive toileting accidents.
- Busken doughnuts were donated to Newport students, families and staff on March 21, March 28, and April 4.
- New shoes were purchased with FRC funds for two students, and new shoes were purchased with Charities Guild of NKy funds for three students
- Molly spoke with the FRC Coordinator at Summit View Academy regarding a former NPS student who had enrolled in that school
- One NPS family received \$75 in Kroger gift cards
- Three NPS students won 1st, 2nd and 3rd place awards for the Southgate VFW’s “Illustrating America” art contest (Molly delivered all art entries to the VFW in Southgate on March 28)
- Mrs. Mariani won the Southgate VFW Post’s Outstanding Teacher of the Year Award
- A mattress was delivered to a NPS student, after her mother requested one during their teacher conference

Donations since the last reporting period:

- Doughnuts every Friday, from Busken on Madison Road in Oakley
- April 14 - Queen City Book Bank donated a teacher-selected book for all students K-2nd
- \$1,000 from Kroger in partnership with a Newport Kroger employee receiving a service award (for service done with Newport Primary School)
- \$300 in First Book gift certificates, for purchasing books for Kindergarten students to take home
- \$354.90 in products from Crayons to Computers

Social media posts since last reporting period: Ready-to-Learn Preschool program on March 19; information about the importance of regular attendance; Choose to Include video; E-waste drop off event on April 4th in Latonia; Kristen Edwards’ family Go Fund Me for their house fire; Spring Break; Stock the Kitchen on April 10th over Spring Break; Esperanza Latino Center programs, the new Newport Independent app; Thrifting on Eastern \$6 bag sale on April 3-5; Brighton Center’s Every Child Succeeds

and HIPPY programs; City of Newport Easter Egg Hunt on April 19; Newport's Litterfest on April 25-27;

Meetings/Events:

- March 18 - Molly attended (virtually) a Lunch and Learn training called "Smoke After the Fire: The Lingering Effects of Vicarious Trauma"
- March 18 - Newport FRYSCs and McKinney-Vento teams met to discuss GoPantry
- March 18 - KPMG classroom mentors visited kindergarten classes, read a selected book, and facilitated activities related to the book
- March 19 - 5:00-7:00 - Newport Primary School hosted (with KET funds) another Ready-to-Learn Workshop for the community's Preschool families. Emily Cornett, from KET, attended.
- March 21 - Molly attended the Partners for Change meeting about Family Engagement, and presented information about current family engagement efforts
- March 25 - Student Support Team meeting with Julie Kaeff and Newport FRYSCs
- March 26 - AAC-sponsored a 2nd grade classroom (Mrs. Powell) on a field trip to the Contemporary Arts Center
- March 27 - Region 4's "Seasoned" FRYSC Coordinators met with Betty Pennington (Regional Coordinator) at the Boone County Library
- March 27 - Keri Brewer (community volunteer) assisted Molly in setting up a school-based recycling center ("Recycling Rainbow"), and a training video to show students and staff
- March 27 - Molly and Marshelle met (virtually) with 3 members of St. Elizabeth Hospital's outreach and wellness teams to discuss potential program collaboration opportunities.
- March 28 - Brighton Center Adopt a Class team visited Ms. Staude's Kindergarten classroom
- March 28 - Crossroads Mens group Adopt a Class team visited Mrs. McGroarty's 1st grade classroom
- March 28 - Molly met with a member of the Movement Church congregation about potential service opportunities for other members
- March 28 - Matt Atkins and Molly attended the Zero Hero Award at Newport Pavilion Kroger, to acknowledge a Newport Kroger employee for her service to Newport Primary School (amongst other community service)
- April 2 - Molly attended (virtually) a training called "The Link By the Numbers: Animal Abuse and Interpersonal Violence"
- April 2 - Newport Primary School teacher conferences with caregivers
- April 3 - iReady celebration at NPS
- April 4 - NKU Mens Soccer Adopt a Class teams visited 3 2nd grade classrooms
- April 4 - Newport Primary School "House" parties
- April 14 - Southgate VFW - Three students, along with Mrs. Mariani, all received awards. The students each received an "Illustrate America" art award, and Mrs. Mariani received this year's Outstanding Teacher Award
- April 14 - Molly distributed the March 19 KET-funded Preschool Family Engagement event fliers to various community locations (Head Start, Fun Days, Kradle 2 Krayons)

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; and working on raising funds and arranging for a 1st grade field trip to the Zoo.

Newport Intermediate School Family Resource Center
Marshelle Watkins- Blackwell, Coordinator
Direct Student & Family Support:

- Power Packs: Distributed 150 Power Packs to NIS students and families in need.
- Basic Needs Assistance: Provided support for the basic needs of 13 students.
- Care Closet: Assisted 14 shoppers, providing 7 pairs of shoes to NIS students.
- School & Classroom Supplies: Supplied school supplies for students and classroom materials for teachers.
- Housing Support: Met with an at-risk (homeless) parent to discuss housing resources.
- Stock the Kitchen: Assisted families with food and household supply orders.
- Attendance Outreach: Contacted families to provide resources aimed at improving student attendance.

Community & Program Partnerships:

- Live Well Newport: Continued partnership to support students and families through resources and engagement opportunities.
- Big Brothers Big Sisters: Recruited students for program participation.
- Out-of-School Support: Collaborated on planning a multicultural fair.
- Adopt-a-Class Mentoring Program: Maintained active coordination.
- Dental Program: Supported and helped set up services for students.
- Campbell County Library: Met with staff to collaborate on ways to better support Newport families and increase student academic motivation.
- Career Day: Helped organize and support event logistics and partner connections.
- Westside Storybook Walk: Participated in planning meetings.
- Community Partner Meetings: Hosted and collaborated with various local organization
- Events & Family Engagement:
 - NIS Spring Book Fair: Collaborated with Media Specialist to plan, promote, and organize.
 - Family & Community Night (April 21st, 5-7pm): Partnered with EL teacher for event planning.
 - Volunteer Breakfast: Planned upcoming recognition event.
 - Spring Break Outreach: Worked with staff to engage and recruit families.
 - Planned Family Night

Administrative & Professional Development:

- Monthly Free Store Food Bank Report: Submitted data on food distribution.
- Advisory Council: Prepared for meeting; updated and approved FRC Advisory By-Laws.
- Staff Professional Development: Completed PD sessions.
- IC Documentation: Managed PLP and Household Income Forms.
- FRYSC Book Study: Participated actively.
- State Site Visit: Met with Betty Pennington.
- Answered Daily Inquiries: Responded to family calls for FRYSC service updates.
- Student Support Meetings: Participated in NIS student support team meetings.

Newport High School Youth Services Center

Donna Watts, Coordinator

NHS YSC – March 18, 2025 – April 15, 2025

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

- Coordinator made 2 Well Care Home Visits
- Coordinator made 11 Attendance Home Visits
- 23 items of clothing were distributed from the YSC office
- 25 Hygiene products distributed from the YSC office
- 12 family received Hygiene products and Household items from the YSC office
- 7 School Supplies distributed from the YSC office
- The YSC provides funding, supplies and prizes for PBIS rewards
- Coordinator met with Lisa Hightchew and Sydney Cottie to ensure payment for Walt Disney Resort, Southwest Airlines, and Mears Tour Bus
- Coordinator met with 1 NKU Practicum student
- * Coordinator submitted 1 scholarship application to the VFW of Southgate, KY
- Coordinator eats lunch with 5 duo credit students in the YSC office daily

The YSC continues provided rewards for students meeting PBIS, Attendance and Testing goals.

The YSC is collaborating with NIS Student Support Services Coordinators, Newport Public Library, Mentoring Plus, the Boys and Girls Club, Newport Parks and Recreation, Brighton Center, Local Churches, CCDFa, and NKU student groups to create a Summer and Fall calendar of community and family fun/educational events to distribute to families.

10 students and 5 adults got to experience the Magic of Walt Disney World during Spring Break. Our Superintendent and his wife provided us with Star Wars shirts and Bonnie Stacey silk screened a wonderful design for us to wear. Thanks to everyone who donated to make this Dream possible for so many well deserving students. Without your support 90% of the students said, they don't think they would have ever been able to visit Walt Disney World. While there we visited the following Parks: Hollywood Studios, Epcot, and Magic Kingdom. We stayed at the All-Star Music Resort and took full advantage of all it amenities.

The Main Gold of this Career Exploration tour was for students to reflect on being financially responsible, affirm their personal aspirations, learn the importance of time management, and explore new career opportunities to enhance their lives. Hopefully, the students gained the confidence that ALL DREAMS ARE POSSIBLE! Our next Career Exploration and College Tour – New York City, NY.

Donations since March 15th

5 Pink Link Kits – Amy Schultz

12 Star Wars Shirts – Renata Watts

\$50 – Tete Turner

15 Disney T-Shirts – NHS YSC and NHS Graphic Arts

March – National Women's History Month

- 16 Attendance Committee Meeting 10:30a Ms. Molly's room
- 17 Go Pantry Meeting 11a STK
- 18 Student Support Team Board Report Due
- 19 Safety Net Alliance Meeting 12:30- 2p Lakeside Christian Church
- 25 Student Support Team Meeting - 9:00-10:30a Central Office ADO's Room
- 27 Upward Bound Meeting in Maker Space 2
- 28 Bowles Center for Diversity Grant Writing Meeting - 10a YSC Office
- 29 Upward Bound Meeting at NKU

April 2025 – Blue Ribbon Month (Child Abuse Prevention Awareness Month)

- 2 River City Career Fair meeting at noon
- 3 YSC Advisory Council Meeting 2pm
- 4 NIS Career Fair 8:30a - Noon
- 4 River City Career Fair Planning Meeting Noon - 2p
- 7-10 Spring Break Disney World Tour
- 9 Campbell County Drug Free Alliance Coalition meeting 9a-10:30a Wilder, Ky
- 15 NKISP Institute Meeting 8:30a-10a
- 15 Student Support Team Board Report Due

NHS YSC Advisory Council Members

- Cara Stewart
- Dorien Cosby
- Kathy Hitchcock
- Rose Curtin
- Ed Davis
- Donovan Macario-Avila
- Abbagail Rubright
- Alexis Bond
- Zach Rehtin
- Torrie Watkins
- Casey Bushelman
- Kate Kassis

Young Life Team Leaders Meeting – every Tuesday at 5:30p
Jackson, Liam, Carter, Abby, Kate, Lauren, Bekah, and Maueve
Jake Wenstrup, Director

NHS YSC Professional Contact

Amy Schultz	Pink Link Totes
Betty Pennington	CHFS FRYSC Region 4 Director
Charla Jones	Newport High School Cheerleading Coach
Christie Jefferds	NKISP Director
Cindy and Ron Kohrs	VFW of Southgate, KY
Danielle Carr	Bellevue High School YSC Coordinator
Daylin Garland, Sr.	Newport Parks and Recreation
Erin Peterson	Cinderella Closet
Georgia Harris	Dayton YSC Coordinator
Gregory Moore	NKU African American Student Initiatives Director
Jackie Graves	Big Brothers Big Sisters
Jake Kollmann	7 Hills Church
Jake Wenstrup	Greater Cincinnati Urban Young Life
James Ramsey	Mentoring Plus Program Director
Jamya Cannon	Safety Net Alliance
Jerome Bowles	NAACP President – NO. KY Branch
Joe Leopold	NKU Center for Student Engagement Director
Johnny Bergmann	Upward Bound Director
Jorine Peaslack Combs	Newport Alumni and Friends Association

Julie Martini	Drug Free Clubs of America
Ken Rehtin	City of Newport Commissioner
Kimberly Colston	City of Newport City Executive Secretary
Lamonte Engelmon	Mentoring Plus
Lorraine O'Moore	NaviGo & Learning Grove
Melissa Goins	Director of FRYSC
Nancy Costello	Educate NKY
Nicole Frevola	Campbell County Drug Free Alliance
Ren McNay Kerans	Brighton Center, Inc.
Renata Watts	Holmes Middle School YSC Coordinator
Rose Curtin	NHS Guardian and YSC Advisory Council Member
Sarah Quackenbush	No. KY Community Action Center
SPC, Jacob Speckett	Kentucky Army National Guard
Stacey Vater-Adidou	Newport Alumni Cheerleaders President
Tekerah Washington	NKU Senior Academic Advisor and Gateway CTC Professor
Tete Turner	Newport Optimist Club and Newport Alumni Association
Traci Collins	NHS Alum Class of 1990
Vanessa Kuhn	Bellevue Schools Mental Health Coordinator; SPF Director
Vicki Flynn	Northern Kentucky Community Action
Vicky Collins	NHS Alum Class of 1964 Disney Donation
Walt Disney World Resort	

School Collaborations & Contacts

Adam Gillespie	Adam Heidrich
Angela Kennedy	April Walsh
Aubrey New	Beau Menefee
Bert Richey	Bonnie Stacey
Brittany Parr	Cheryl Noonchester
Dr. Jennifer Michael	Dustin Hinson
Ed Davis	Eliot Pipes
Elizabeth Kuhnell	Esther Fatsy
James Orcena	John Ridder
Juan McDay	Julia Hurst
Julie Kaeff	Kathi Baldwin
Katie Lucas	Katrina Houston
Kevin Reinhardt	Kia Gearding
Kimberly Cornett	Kim Klosterman
Kim Snapp	Kim Weber
Kristy McNally	Latasha Luke
Lesley Duzan	Lisa Hightchew
Lisa Rizzo	Marshelle Watkins-Blackwell
Megan Brown	Mellissa Snow
Molly Schultz	Molly Wesley
Natalie Wolfe	Officer Dimitri Balogou
Paul Wiggins	Peachy Taylor & Staff
Rusty Adams	Shaliyah Cottie
Shannon Meyer	Sydney Cottie
Tabetha Marsh	Taylor Gross
Tim Grayson	Tony Watts
Torrie Watkins	Vickie Chamberlain
Zachary Rehtin	

Upcoming EVENTS

April 2025 – Blue Ribbon Month (Child Abuse Prevention Awareness Month)

- 16 BBBS Beyond School Walls Mentoring Program 10:30a-12:30p to Staff Mark
- 16 Safety Net Alliance Meeting 12:30 - 2p Lakeside Christian Church
- 18 River City Career Fair Newport High School Gym
- 19 Easter Egg Hunt - 2p Newport City Building
- 21 Attendance Meeting 9:00 am
- 22 Student Support Team Meeting - 9:00-10:30a Central Office ADO's Room
- 24 Upward Bound Meeting in Maker Space 3
- 24 Spring Carnival at NIS 4p (Families 5-6p)
- 26 Upward Bound Meeting at NKU
- 26 PROM

May - Asian American & Pacific Islander Heritage Month

- 5 Attendance Meeting 10:30a Molly's office
- 6 Community Collaboration for Children Regional Meeting 11:30a-2p Boone CESO
- 6 Naturalization Day
- 7 BBBS Beyond School Walls Mentoring Program 10:30a-12:30p to Staff Mark
- 8 Upward Bound Meeting in Maker Space 2
- 8 Senior Awards Night - Purple Cords
- 13 Lunch Buddy Time with Boys and Girls Club
- 14 Campbell County Drug Free Alliance Coalition meeting 9a-10:30a Wilder, Ky
- 15-18 D. Watts out for Conference in Indianapolis
- 17 Upward Bound Meeting at NKU Summer Program students only
- 20 Student Support Team Board Report Due
- 21 Safety Net Alliance Meeting 12:30 - 2p Lakeside Christian Church
- 23 Field Day
- 26 Memorial Day Parade 8a start at 20 east 6th Street
- 27 Student Support Team Meeting - 9:00-10:30a Central Office ADO's Room
- 27-30 Senior Week and Finals
- 31 NHS Graduation

McKinney Vento

Kristy McNally, Coordinator

Katie Lucas, NSTEP/Family Engagement

Ed Koenig, Driver

March: 180 → April: 200

Doubled Up: 150

Hotel: 13

Shelter/Trans. Housing: 28

Unsheltered/Inadequate: 9

Unaccompanied Youth: 46

School Totals:

NHS: 78 (72 last month)

NIS: 52 (52)

NPS: 54 (52)

NSOI: 8 (7)

Regional School: 11

Transportation: Students have benefitted from:

NSTEP Van: Current: 18 Total students who have used van for year: 44

Bus passes: Current: 2 students Total students for year: 4

Gas Cards: Current: 2 students Total for year: 9

Transportation assistance from another district: Current: 0 Total for year: 5

Transportation assistance for another district: 1 students (1 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

Wildcats Hustlers: 40 students *Mon/Thurs

Snacks provided by Newport FireFighter Assoc.

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

NHS, NIS, NPS Advisory Council

Stock the Kitchen: served 76 unduplicated families (400+/- individuals) (2x a month)

Donor provides a raffle each month- 1 family wins from drawing

Social Media posts: STK, NIS Family Night- Game Show Theme, Fundraisers, Uplifting posts for families, After School clubs

(New)

People Stronger Together (Parent Group)

Go Pantry- will be a new partner starting summer 2025 and into the school year (25-26'). Will serve

NHS and NIS students as well spring and summer breaks

Participating in Family Game Night- NSTEP will host human slot machine

Volunteers/Engagement for events total so far: 43 adults (staff & parents/community member)/14 students)

Created MV/NSTEP Policy/Procedure Binder

Attended the Homewood Suites grand opening during Spring Break—they expressed strong interest in getting involved with our district

Met with the manager and facilities manager, who took part in NIS Career Day the previous week

Student/Community Supports:

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/life... with Ms. Kristy during lunch (NHS)

2 students receive extra attention from Ms. Kristy during recess (NPS)

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

Food sent home every friday to 12 NIS students

Donation to STK from 2 community members

Met with new Homeward Bound staff

Working on district wide perfect attendance event

Assisted with NIS Career Fair

Supported parent through the SNAP benefits application process

Assisted parent with enrollment for new student

Assisted with residency verifications for enrollment

Supported parent with completing and submitting a ReNewport grant application
East Row group of families donating to STK 1x a month
NHS students volunteer in STK 1x a month
Working with 21C on Futsal awareness
Meeting with National Fitness Campaign to explore possible grant for outdoor fitness gym

21st Century Coordinator

Zach Rehtin

- Afterschool Programming continues in all three buildings until May 15
- Summer 2025 collaboration discussions with Buenger Boys & Girls Club ended
 - NISD requested BGC cover utility costs in exchange for use of NPS (\$1000/week)
 - BGC decided to pursue other options
- Summer Action Plans submitted to KDE
 - June 3 to July 2, 8a-2p each day, closed June 19 and 20
 - K-6 at NIS and 7-12 at NHS
- Site Visit on March 25 from Grant Evaluation Representative
- Activity collaboration planning with NSTEP
- Futsal Goals and Nets installed at NIS from NKY Street Soccer
- Continuation Progress Reports & Budgets submitted to KDE
- Working with NKU to take rising 6th graders to campus the week of July 21
- Planning to participate in River Roots activity on October 7