

Superintendent Report July 2026

Each Monday morning, our district leadership team meets to plan upcoming events and share ideas to improve student opportunities and instruction.

Each Tuesday morning, our district facilities team meets to review outstanding work orders and plan for long-term facility projects.

This month, I have spent several days planning for our District Leadership Retreat, which will take place on July 20th and 21st.

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| 6/25 | Attended the 21st Century summer drama production Bedtime Stories (As Told by Our Dad) (Who Messed Them Up). 7/7 Met with Dusty Galloway, our transportation supervisor, to plan for busing services for our students. |
| 7/8 | Attended the Board Work Session. 7/9 Attended new superintendent training through the Kentucky Association of School Administrators. I have one more session this month to complete the program. |
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| 7/16 | Met with the Kentucky Department of Education to discuss how Newport Independent can allow Learning Grove to provide preschool services at Newport Primary School. |
| 7/16 | Met with River City superintendents to discuss ways we can continue to collaborate and provide increased opportunities for our students. |
| 7/16 | Attended a meeting with Lt. Kohls and the principals to review the School Resource Officer Memorandum of Understanding and to clarify any questions they had about the services. |

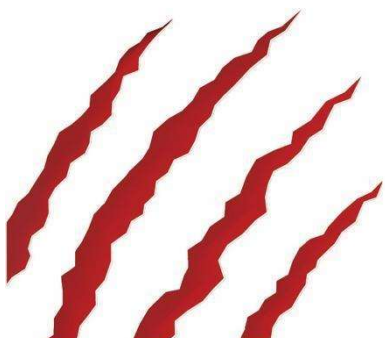
- 7/20-21 Collaborated with Autumn Slankard, Director of Curriculum, to lead our district leadership retreat.
- 7/22 Attended a meeting with Polly Page and Mrs. Malone to discuss student reading mentorship at Newport Primary and Intermediate Schools.
- 7/22 Met with an architect at our District Office to get an assessment of the condition of our roof.
- 7/22 Met with Stacie Strotman from Partners for Change to discuss our vision at Newport Independent and how we can collaborate to create opportunities for our students.
- 7/22 Met with an electrical engineer and architect to discuss the feasibility of replacing light switches at Newport Intermediate School.

Standard 2: Instructional Leadership

This month, I would like to highlight our preparation for the upcoming school year, focusing on **Standard 2: Instructional Leadership**. Our leadership team has been engaged in several key initiatives to ensure a strong, cohesive start to the 2026-27 school year:

- **Strategic Goal Setting:** Leadership teams collaborated with our Director of Curriculum to establish clear strategic goals, objectives, and lead indicators.
- **Leadership Development:** The team completed a book study on *The Four Obsessions of an Extraordinary Executive*. On July 20th, we integrated these leadership principles with our strategic indicators to build our action plans for the upcoming school year.
- **Professional Learning & Alignment:** We are finalizing professional learning plans centered on implementing high-quality instructional materials and strengthening our Professional Learning Communities (PLCs).

Through these efforts, our ultimate goal remains to establish seamless, aligned, and focused instructional systems across all grade levels, K-12.



The Newport Independent School District will partner with families and the community to nurture, educate, and instill core values in all students to ensure they reach their fullest potential.

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