



# Newport Independent Schools

## Grants Document

2014-2015

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## Federal Competitive Grants

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<b>Name of grant:</b>	Carol M. White Physical Education Program
<b>Grant type:</b>	Federal, competitive
<b>Fund source:</b>	U.S. Department of Education
<b>Award amount:</b>	\$371,679
<b>School(s) served:</b>	Newport Primary, Intermediate, Middle and High Schools
<b>Contact(s):</b>	Diane Hatfield-District Curriculum Coordinator; Lisa Rizzo-Grant Coordinator

### Program Description:

The Carol M. White Physical Education Program provides funds to initiate, expand or enhance physical education programs for students in grades K through 12. Currently in year two of the F.I.T. for Life project, \$120,000 of the \$478,403 originally awarded will be carried over into year 2014-2015. The project, designed to help make progress in meeting Kentucky state physical education and health standards will continue with:

- Funding personnel, which include a project coordinator, assessment evaluator, two part-time and one full-time physical education/ health teachers, three nutrition club sponsors, seven fitness club sponsors and a data analyst.
- New physical education and health education curriculums (SPARK and HealthSmart).
- Implementation of the USDA's My Plate Curriculum - Primary and Intermediate Schools.
- Professional development opportunities including SPARK curriculum training, Coordinated School Health Workshops, Southern District APHERD Conference, KAHPERD, Fitnessgram Software Training and Presidential Youth Fitness Program
- Repair of non-functional fitness machines and service to machines in fitness centers.
- Use of a new outdoor fitness center that was designed to challenge students' physical fitness.
- New physical education equipment at all schools and replacements as needed.
- After school and summer programming: general fitness activities, beginning sport skills, lifetime activities, healthy habits, healthy snacking, tumbling, yoga, track, wrestling, basketball, volleyball, swimming and outdoor adventure.
- Wellness events at each school with interactive learning that involved making healthy snacks and the distribution of material related to balanced nutrition.
- Professional development opportunities for food service staff to make improvements in the cafeteria and enrich the total eating experience.

- Before school programming at the Primary and Intermediate Schools in an effort to increase physical activity opportunities.
- An outdoor adventure club that includes one outing a month located at various venues in the Greater Cincinnati area; activities include: hiking, biking, kayaking, ice skating and skiing.
- Archery, running and gardening as additional extracurricular clubs.
- *Tasty Tuesday's* once a month at each school to expose students to healthy snacks and offer them a sample.
- Quality intramural basketball program at the intermediate level for both boys and girls in grades 3-5.
- Resources for classroom teachers that will encourage the integration and implementation of physical activity and health instruction in the classroom.

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## State Competitive Grants

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**Name of grant:** Read to Achieve  
**Grant type:** State, competitive  
**Fund source:** Kentucky Dept. of Education  
**Award amount:** \$97,000 each school \$48,500  
**School(s) served:** Newport Primary School and Newport Intermediate Schools  
**Contact(s):** Diane Hatfield, District Curriculum Coordinator; Josh Snapp, NPS Principal and Kyle Niederman, NIS Principal

**Program description:**

- Targeted to Newport Primary School and Newport Intermediate, the Read to Achieve (RTA) grant program focuses on reading diagnostic and intensive reading intervention for struggling readers.
- The program provides funds to implement research-based reading diagnostic and intervention programs.
- RTA is based upon reliable, replicable research and offers short-term intensive one-on-one or small group instruction in essential skills necessary for reading proficiency.
- Funds from the grant program are utilized to employ one reading intervention teacher to implement the Early Intervention Reading program.

**Name of grant:** 21<sup>st</sup> Century Community Learning Centers  
**Grant type:** State, competitive  
**Fund source:** U. S. Department of Education  
**Award amount:** \$75,000  
**School(s) served:** Newport Primary, Intermediate, and Middle Schools  
**Contact(s):** Diane Hatfield, District Curriculum Coordinator; Kristy McNally, Program Coordinator

**Program description:**

- Targeted to Newport Primary, Intermediate and Middle Schools, Newport Schools' 21<sup>st</sup> Century Community Learning Centers provide effective out-of-school programs aimed at improving student achievement and are sustained through community partnerships at the conclusion of the funding cycle.
- Specifically, the program provides:
  - ✓ Opportunities for academic enrichment, including homework assistance to help students meet state student performance standards in core academic subjects, including reading and mathematics.
  - ✓ Students with a broad array of "disguised learning" services, programs, and activities, including youth development leadership; drug and violence prevention programs; art, music, fitness, and recreation programs; technology education programs; and character education programs that are designed to reinforce and complement the regular academic program.
  - ✓ Families (of participating students) opportunities for literacy and related educational development.
- Now in the fourth year of a five-year funding cycle, FY 14 funds will be utilized to employ a full-time Program Coordinator and club sponsors; and all required supplies and related program materials.

**Name of grant:** 21<sup>st</sup> Century Community Learning Centers – Expansion Grant  
**Grant type:** State, competitive  
**Fund source:** U. S. Department of Education  
**Award amount:** \$75,000  
**School(s) served:** Newport Primary, Intermediate, and Middle Schools  
**Contact(s):** Diane Hatfield, District Curriculum Coordinator; Kristy McNally, Program Coordinator

**Program description:**

- Targeted to Newport Primary, Intermediate and Middle Schools, Newport Schools' 21<sup>st</sup> Century Community Learning Centers Expansion Grant will provide expanded out-of-school programming aimed at improving student achievement.
- As with the "original" grant program, the expansion grant will afford:
  - ✓ Increased opportunities for academic enrichment, including homework assistance to help students meet state student performance standards in core academic subjects, including reading and mathematics.
  - ✓ Students a broad array of additional services, programs, and activities, including youth development leadership; drug and violence prevention programs; art, music, fitness, and recreation programs; technology education programs; and character education programs that are designed to reinforce and complement the regular academic program.
  - ✓ Families (of participating students) enhanced opportunities for literacy and related educational development.

- Now in the second year of a five-year funding cycle, FY 14 expansion funds will be utilized to offset costs associated with employment of one full-time Program Coordinator; added club sponsors; and providing required supplies and related program materials.

**Name of grant:** Fresh Fruit & Vegetable Program  
**Grant type:** State, competitive  
**Fund source:** Kentucky Dept. of Education, Division of School & Community Nutrition  
**Award amount:** \$22,093.50  
**School(s) served:** Newport Intermediate School  
**Contact(s):** Andrea Whiles, Food Service Director

**Program description:**

- The Fresh Fruit & Vegetable Program is a federally-assisted program providing free fresh fruits and vegetables to students in participating elementary schools during the school day, outside of breakfast and lunch times.
- The goal of the program is to improve children’s overall diet and create healthier eating habits to impact their present and future health.
- The program helps schools create healthier school environments by providing healthier food choices; expanding the variety of fruits and vegetables that children experience; and increasing children’s fruit and vegetable consumption.
- Funds from the grant program are utilized to purchase fresh fruits/vegetables for consumption three times per week at the Intermediate School.

**Name of grant:** Title X Part C: Stewart B. McKinney-Vento Homeless Grant  
**Grant type:** State, competitive  
**Fund source:** U. S. Department of Education  
**Award amount:** \$50,310  
**School(s) served:** Newport Primary, Intermediate, Middle and High Schools  
**Contact(s):** Mike Wills, Assistant Superintendent; Monica Tafolla, Project Coordinator

**Program description:**

- Funds from the grant program are utilized to pay the salary and benefits for the Homeless Coordinator.
- Funds are expended for:
  - Registration for mandatory conferences and training
  - Medical Services for homeless children
  - Laundry and dry cleaning for homeless students & families
  - Student in and out-of-district transportation services for homeless students
  - Travel to mandatory conference & training
  - General supplies
  - Postage
  - Printing publications
  - Food – non instructional and non-food service
  - Welfare Spending (excluding utilities)

- The Homeless Coordinator is an essential component of this grant in that she is the advocate and principal worker who interfaces daily with the students and homeless families in our district.
- Since a growing number of our homeless families are of Hispanic origin and do not speak English, the Homeless Coordinator assists these families in becoming knowledgeable to the basic services available. In addition, she often must translate documents and spoken language to ensure understanding.
- In addition, she provides the following on a monthly basis:
  - Identification of homeless students
  - Daily referrals for homeless families with service organizations
  - Daily disbursements for emergency school supplies
  - Daily disbursements of hygiene products
  - Daily disbursements of vouchers/gift cards
  - Daily assistance home visits to verify residency or offer services
  - Daily calls to homeless parents about physicals, vision, and dental exams
  - Daily assistance with school enrollments
  - Daily assistance with homeless parent concerns
  - Explaining the importance of country/school/sports/club culture, rules, policies and procedures to homeless families.

## Local Competitive Grants

**Name of grant:** Me and My School  
**Grant type:** Local, Competitive  
**Fund source:** United Way  
**Award amount:** \$12,453  
**School(s) served:** Newport Primary School  
**Contact(s):** Josh Snapp, NPS Principal; Jeanetta Stacy, Instructional Supervisor

**Program description:**

- Improve kindergarten readiness skills.
- Engage families with school and community partners.
- Support children with important learning concepts for kindergarten success.
- Engage families in kindergarten transition.

**Name of grant:** Proctor & Gamble School Food Pantry Demonstration Grant  
**Grant type:** Local, Competitive  
**Fund source:** Proctor & Gamble  
**Award amount:** \$25,000 over two years, Free Store/ Food Bank Fiscal Agent  
**School(s) served:** Newport Primary, Intermediate, Middle and High Schools  
**Contact(s):** Lisa Rizzo, Project Director

**Program description:**

- Procter and Gamble provided a \$25,000 grant to the Cincinnati FreeStore foodbank in support of their School Pantry Program. The FreeStore and Newport Independent Schools are working together to get students and families the healthy food and nutrition education necessary to be successful in school and in life. The School Pantry Program, known to Newport families as the "Veggie Van", provides fresh produce, nutritious food, and nutrition education and food demonstrations once a month.

**Name of grant:** T. J. Maxx  
**Grant type:** Local, Competitive  
**Fund source:** TJ X Foundation  
**Award amount:** \$5,000  
**School(s) served:** Newport Primary, Intermediate, Middle and High Schools  
**Contact(s):** Diane Hatfield, District Curriculum Coordinator

**Program description:**

- The TJ X Foundation provided a \$5,000 grant to support the Newport Independent Schools Theatre Arts program. These funds will support the District's two yearly productions.
- In addition to the young actors gaining a variety of important skills while performing on stage (public speaking, poise, confidence), our theatre arts program involves students from a number of other academic disciplines, including graphic design (posters, playbills); technical design (lighting, sound, etc.); vocational (costuming, hair/make-up); etc.

**Name of grant:** Kindermusik  
**Grant type:** Local, Competitive  
**Fund source:** Clyde Day Foundation  
**Award amount:** \$25,000 over two years, Brighton Center Fiscal Agent  
**School(s) served:** Newport Pre-school Program  
**Contact(s):** Lisa Swanson, Director of Special Education

**Program description:**

- Kindermusik Curriculum *ABC Music & Me* created by Kindermusik International is a research-based early childhood curriculum that uses weekly thematic lessons to help young children learn important skills needed for success in school. Classes involve a mix of singing, instrument play, dancing and movement, story time and other activities. Lessons are designed to strengthen the student's physical and neural functions, social-emotional skills, early literacy and early math. Kindermusik teacher provides weekly instruction to all preschool children ages (3-5 years of age).

- **Parent Involvement:**

ABC Music & Me includes a robust “at-home” learning component. Parents have access to physical home materials (activity books, instruments and CD’s) through a lending library.

**Name of grant:** Newport Primary School Salsa Garden  
**Grant type:** Local, Competitive  
**Fund source:** The Greater Cincinnati Foundation Learning Links Grant  
**Award amount:** \$1,000  
**School(s) served:** Newport Primary School  
**Contact(s):** Lisa Rizzo

**Program description:**

- The Salsa Garden Project will provide the opportunity for a number of memorable learning experiences. Most simply, we want to expose our students to gardening and promote the many benefits the act of gardening will bring. A priority to encourage our students to eat more fruits and vegetables. If they have a hand in growing and preparing their own food, we feel they will be more likely to taste them.
- Other opportunities for learning and growth include:
  - Gardening experience that starts from the seed and ends in a product.
  - Gaining the ability to identify various fruits and vegetables and learn nutritional value
  - Learning to use language, math and science skills during activities involving the garden.
  - Tasting foods that are healthy and made personally.

**Name of grant:** Newport Intermediate School Girls’ Running Club  
**Grant type:** Local, Competitive  
**Fund source:** The Greater Cincinnati Foundation Learning Links Grant  
**Award amount:** \$1,000  
**School(s) served:** Newport Middle Schools  
**Contact(s):** Sandra Pierce, Club Sponsor

**Program description:**

- Newport Intermediate School will implement a Girls’ Running Club for school-year 2014-15. The project will serve a minimum of 15 female students at-risk for academic/social failure grades 3 to 5.
- The project presents an ideal opportunity to effectively engage students in a healthier lifestyle through increased (regular) physical activity and improved nutrition.
- Recent fitness-focused data show large numbers of our students are overweight and cannot adequately complete a number of exercise activities utilized to measure overall strength, endurance and fitness...and this is particularly true for our female students. At the same time, the project promises to increase not only the participating students’ physical well-being, but also their social and emotional health through improved self-esteem and self-confidence.



**Name of grant:** Newport Middle School Girls; Running Club  
**Grant type:** Local, Competitive  
**Fund source:** The Greater Cincinnati Foundation Learning Links Grant  
**Award amount:** \$1,000  
**School(s) served:** Newport Middle Schools  
**Contact(s):** Kristy McNally, Program Coordinator

**Program description:**

- Newport Middle School will implement a Girls' Running Club for school year 2014-15. The project will serve a minimum of 15 female students at-risk for academic/social failure in grades 6 to 8.
- The project presents an ideal opportunity to effectively engage students in a healthier lifestyle through increased (regular) physical activity and improved nutrition.
- Recent fitness-focused data show large numbers of our students are overweight and cannot adequately complete a number of exercise activities utilized to measure overall strength, endurance and fitness...and this is particularly true for our female students attending our schools. At the same time, the project promises to increase not only the participating students' physical well-being, but also their social and emotional health through improved self-esteem and self-confidence.

**Name of grant:** Newport High School Sensory Room  
**Grant type:** Local, Competitive  
**Fund source:** The Greater Cincinnati Foundation Learning Links Grant  
**Award amount:** \$898  
**School(s) served:** Newport High School  
**Contact(s):** Holly Owens, Special Education Teacher

**Program description:**

- This project is designed to fill a special room with sensory equipment and activities that will enable students with special needs, or students who are in the RTI process, an opportunity to receive the sensory input necessary to calm down, regroup, re-focus and be more prepared to return to their academic environment.
- This room will be used to provide students with breaks when needed or offer students rewards if they are reaching certain academic or social goals.
- Having a specialized sensory room will provide students an opportunity to use sensory supports in order to give necessary breaks and allow them to re-group so they can be ready to learn and be more effective in the classroom setting.

**Name of grant:** WHAS Classroom Sensory Therapy  
**Grant type:** Local, Competitive  
**Fund source:** WHAS Louisville, KY  
**Award amount:** \$15,000  
**School(s) served:** Newport Primary, Intermediate, Middle and High Schools  
**Contact(s):** Lisa Swanson, Director of Special Education  
**Program description:**

- Funds from the grant will purchase sensory equipment (indoor swings) that will be utilized by students with sensory processing deficits. Sensory Integration Therapy is a strategy implemented to help students receive and respond appropriately to information received through the senses. Sensory Integration Therapy promotes physical strength, coordination and emotional well-being.

**Name of grant:** Otto & George Budig Theatre Arts  
**Grant type:** Local, Competitive  
**Fund source:** Otto & George Budig  
**Award amount:** \$10,000  
**School(s) served:** Newport Primary, Intermediate, Middle and High Schools  
**Contact(s):** Diane Hatfield, District Curriculum Coordinator  
**Program description:**

- Otto & George Budig provided a donation to the Newport Independent Schools Theatre Arts program.
- These funds support theatre and arts experiences for Newport students including the Districts two yearly productions.

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## Federal Non-Competitive Grants

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**Name of grant:** Title I Part A (Improving the Academic Achievement of Disadvantaged Children)  
**Grant type:** Federal, non-competitive  
**Fund source:** U.S. Department of Education  
**Award amount:** \$1,171,766 + \$196,620 transferred in from Title II  
\$1,368,386 Title I Part A budget  
**School(s) served:** Newport Primary, Intermediate, Middle and High Schools  
**Contact(s):** Diane Hatfield, Title I Coordinator

**Program description**

- All four schools in the Newport Independent district received Title I Part A funds to implement a school-wide Title I program. The purpose of the school-wide program is to upgrade the entire educational curriculum program in the school, impacting the achievement of all students.
- There are ten components of a school-wide program that are addressed. They are:
  1. Comprehensive Needs Assessment
  2. School Reform Strategies

3. Instruction by Highly Qualified Professional Staff
  4. High-quality and Ongoing PD
  5. Strategies to Attract Highly Qualified Staff
  6. Strategies to Increase Parental Involvement
  7. Transition Strategies
  8. Teacher Participation in Making Assessment Decisions
  9. Timely and Additional Assistance to Students having Difficulty Mastering the Standards
  10. Coordination and Integration of Federal, State and Local Programs and Resources
- Funds at the district and school levels are utilized for parent involvement, professional development, instructional resources, salaries for the following positions: reading, math, behavior interventionist, instructional coaches, counselor, EL teachers, administrative support staff and partial salary of the Title I district coordinator.

**Name of grant:** Title II Part A Improving Teacher Quality Grant  
**Grant type:** Federal, non-competitive  
**Fund source:** U.S. Department of Education  
**Award amount:** \$229,655 - \$196,620 transferred to Title I Part A  
 \$33,045 Title II A budget  
**School(s) served:** Newport Primary, Intermediate, Middle and High Schools  
**Contact(s):** Diane Hatfield, Title II Coordinator

**Program description**

- The funds will support the Teacher and Principal Professional Growth and Effectiveness Systems.
- The funds will be utilized to provide professional learning activities that improve the knowledge and effectiveness of teachers and administrators.

**Name of grant:** Title III, Language Instruction for Limited English Proficiency  
**Grant type:** U.S. Department of Education  
**Fund source:** Kentucky Dept. of Education  
**Award amount:** \$12,720  
**School(s) served:** Newport Primary, Intermediate, Middle and High Schools  
**Contact(s):** Diane Hatfield, Title III Coordinator

**Program description**

- Title III funds are used to provide services for students who are determined to be "limited English proficient." Services are provided to the English Learner students who have difficulties speaking, reading, writing, or understanding the English language.
- Funds are utilized to purchase instructional resources, interpret documents, and provide professional development.

**Name of grant:** Title I Part D Subpart 2  
**Grant type:** Federal, non-competitive  
**Fund source:** U.S. Department of Education  
**Award amount:** \$72,499  
**School(s) served:** Campbell County Regional Juvenile Detention Center  
**Contact(s):** Diane Hatfield, Title I Coordinator; Mike Wills, Assistant Superintendent; Jeanetta Stacy, Instructional Supervisor

**Program description**

- Newport Independent Schools operates an A6 school for youth at the Campbell County Regional Juvenile Detention Center. The center is a secure detention facility for youth who are awaiting disposition or placement from fifteen counties and 24 school districts. Students from other counties and districts may be transferred to the facility based on student need.
- The primary goal of Newport Independent Schools at CRJDC is to deliver high quality educational programming to prepare youth for middle and secondary school completion, which will prepare them for College and Career Readiness and/or transition beyond their stay at CRJDC.
- Funds are used to provide counseling and transitional services to the students being served in the A6 school.

**Name of grant:** IDEA Preschool  
**Grant type:** Federal, non-competitive  
**Fund source:** U.S. Department of Education  
**Award amount:** \$18,451  
**School(s) served:** Newport Primary  
**Contact(s):** Lisa Swanson, Special Education Director; Josh Snapp, NPS Principal

**Program description:**

- IDEA-B federal funding provides funds for preschool students with disabilities.
- Preschool funding is provided to focus on the child's physical, intellectual, language, social and emotional development, which includes interpersonal, and socialization skills

**Name of grant:** IDEA Basis  
**Grant type:** Federal, non-competitive  
**Fund source:** U.S. Department of Education  
**Award amount:** \$514,380  
**School(s) served:** Newport Primary, Intermediate, Middle and High Schools  
**Contact(s):** Lisa Swanson, Special Education Director

**Program description:**

- Federal funding is provided for the administration of special education programs and services to ensure the provision of appropriate instruction and related services for students identified with special needs in the state of Kentucky. Program services include: occupational therapy, physical therapy, speech

language therapy, assistive technology, specialized transportation, nursing, counseling, behavior supports, services for the visual and hearing impaired, orientation and mobility, community based instruction, post-secondary transitioning, instructional programming, and any other services designed to assist students with disabilities full access to the general curriculum.

- Funds used primarily for salaries of special education personnel K-12.

**Name of grant:** Race To the Top CIITS  
**Grant type:** Federal, non-competitive  
**Fund source:** U.S. Department of Education  
**Award amount:** \$52,807  
**School(s) served:** Newport Primary, Intermediate, Middle and High Schools  
**Contact(s):** Amy Gilkison, Chief Academic Officer; Diane Hatfield, District Curriculum Coordinator

**Program description:**

- Race to the Top funds were awarded in April 2012 and must be expended by September 2015.
- The funds are utilized to provide professional learning experiences on the use of the Continuous Instructional Improvement Technology System (CIITS) to increase knowledge of how to implement highly effective teaching and learning in the classroom.

**Name of grant:** Carl D. Perkins Vocation & Technical Education Grant  
**Grant type:** Federal, non-competitive  
**Fund source:** U.S. Department of Education  
**Award amount:** \$ 34,972  
**School(s) served:** Newport High School  
**Contact(s):** Rachel White, TEDS Coordinator; Diane Hatfield District Curriculum Coordinator

**Program description:**

- The purpose of the Perkins grant is to provide quality career and technical education pathways for Newport High School students.
- Funds are utilized to support curriculum, assessment, professional development activities, instructional materials, equipment and software.

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## State Non-Competitive Grants

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**Name of grant:** Extended School Services  
**Grant type:** State, non-competitive  
**Fund source:** Kentucky Department of Education  
**Award amount:** \$51,601  
**School(s) served:** Newport Primary, Intermediate, Middle and High Schools  
**Contact(s):** Diane Hatfield, District Curriculum Coordinator

**Program description:**

- Newport Schools' Extended School Services (ESS) Program is a proactive program designed to assist individual students who are having difficulty in one or more content areas.
- ESS services are provided at all Newport schools outside the regular school hours for students having short- or long-term academic difficulties.
- Newport Primary, Intermediate and Middle School are approved via a waiver process to offer ESS services during the school day.
- Funds from the grant program are utilized to employ certified teachers to provide individual or small group instruction during the school day via the waiver process and instruction outside the regular school hours.

**Name of grant:** Kentucky Family Resource and Youth Services Centers  
**Grant type:** State, non-competitive  
**Fund source:** Cabinet for Health & Family Services Department of Family Resource Centers and Volunteer Services (KY. Department of Education)  
**Award amount:** \$262,458  
**School(s) served:** Newport Primary, Intermediate, Middle and High Schools  
**Contact:** Colonel Mike Wills, Assistant Superintendent

**Program Description:**

- In cooperation with the KY Department of Education, the Cabinet for Health & Family Services Dept. of Family Resource Centers & Volunteers Services provides funds to remove nonacademic barriers to learning as a means to enhance student academic success. Each center offers a unique blend of programs and services determined by the needs of the population being served, available resources, location and other local characteristics.
- Family Resource Centers serve children under school age and in elementary school and coordinate:
  - Preschool child care.
  - After-school child day care.
  - Families in training.
  - Family literacy services.
  - Health services and referrals.

- Youth Services Centers serve students in middle and high school and coordinate:
  - Referrals to health and social services.
  - Career exploration and development.
  - Summer and part-time job development (high school only).
  - Substance abuse education and counseling.
  - Family crisis and mental health counseling.

**Name of grant:** Gifted and Talent Program  
**Grant type:** State, non-competitive  
**Fund source:** Kentucky Department of Education  
**Award amount:** \$39,290  
**School(s) served:** Newport Primary, Intermediate, Middle and High Schools  
**Contact(s):** Diane Hatfield, District Curriculum Coordinator

**Program description:**

- Newport Schools' Gifted and Talented Program provides services for identified students across all grade levels.
- Students in grades K-3 are screened and selected as high-potential learners to participate in the "primary talent pool."
- Students in grades 4-12 are formally identified for services, in one or more of the following areas:
  - General intellectual aptitude.
  - Specific academic aptitude.
  - Creative or divergent thinking.
  - Psychosocial or leadership skills.
  - Visual or performing arts.
- Funds from the grant program are utilized to purchase instructional resources and employ Gifted and Talented teachers, who provide direct instructional services to identified students.

**Name of grant:** Professional Development  
**Grant type:** State, non-competitive  
**Fund source:** Kentucky Department of Education  
**Award amount:** \$15,703  
**School(s) served:** Newport Primary, Intermediate, Middle and High Schools  
**Contact(s):** Diane Hatfield, District Curriculum Coordinator

**Program description:**

- Professional development grant monies provide opportunities for teachers and administrators to continue to learn and enhance their knowledge and skills in order to improve instruction.
- The professional development training will be focused on the school/district mission and based on a needs assessment, as identified in the school or district improvement plan.
- Funds from the grant program will be utilized to provide professional development within the district and/or attend professional development outside the district.

**Name of grant:** Instructional Resources  
**Grant type:** State, non-competitive  
**Fund source:** Kentucky Department of Education  
**Award amount:** \$47,779  
**School(s) served:** Newport Primary, Intermediate, Middle and High Schools  
**Contact(s):** Amy Gilkison, Chief Academic Officer, Diane Hatfield, District Curriculum Coordinator

**Program description:**

- Funds provide instructional resources to enhance the instruction of students across the district.

**Name of grant:** State Preschool  
**Grant type:** State, non-competitive  
**Fund source:** Kentucky Department of Education  
**Award amount:** \$184,483  
**School(s) served:** Newport Primary  
**Contact(s):** Lisa Swanson, Special Education Director; Josh Snapp, NPS Principal

**Program description:**

- KERA Preschool funds provide educational programs for all four-year-old children who are at or below 150% poverty level (eligible for free lunch) and all three-and four-year-old children identified with a disability under IDEA-B regardless of income. IDEA-B federal funding also provides funds for preschool students with disabilities.
- Preschool funding is provided to focus on the child's physical, intellectual, language, social and emotional development, which includes interpersonal, and socialization skills
- State preschool funds are used primarily for salaries of preschool teachers and preschool instructional assistants as well as instructional supplies.

**Name of grant:** KECSAC  
**Grant type:** State, non-competitive  
**Fund source:** Kentucky Department of Education  
**Award amount:** \$171,392  
**School(s) served:** Campbell County Regional Juvenile Detention Center  
**Contact(s):** Mike Wills, Assistant Superintendent; Jeanetta Stacy, Instructional Supervisor

**Program description:**

- The Newport Independent Schools operates an A6 school for youths at the Campbell County Regional Juvenile Detention Center. The center is a secure detention facility for youth who are awaiting disposition or placement from 15 counties and 24 school districts. Students from other counties and districts may be transferred to the facility based on student need.
- Funds are utilized for salaries of teachers and support staff at the Campbell County Regional Juvenile Detention Center.



**Name of grant:** State Drop-Out Prevention  
**Grant type:** State, non-competitive  
**Fund source:** Kentucky Department of Education  
**Award amount:** \$10,000  
**School(s) served:** Newport Middle School and Newport High Schools.  
**Contact(s):** Mike Wills, Assistant Superintendent  
**Program description**

- Funds are utilized to support the New Pathways alternative classroom for Middle School and High School Students.

**Name of grant:** Safe Schools  
**Grant type:** State, non-competitive  
**Fund source:** Kentucky Department of Education  
**Award amount:** \$24,501  
**School(s) served:** Newport Primary, Intermediate, Middle and High Schools  
**Contact(s):** Mike Wills, Assistant Superintendent  
**Program description**

- Funds from the grant program are utilized to pay for required conference fees for the Safe Schools Coordinator and the District SRO.
- Funds are expended for other professional services such as:
  - Speaking engagements such as Missy Smith's Anti Bullying speaking engagement to the High and Middle Schools that occurred during opening week.
  - Additional professional development for Restraint, Seclusion and De-escalation training.
  - Other pertinent safe school initiatives and educational programs.
- Funds are allocated for travel for Safe Schools Coordinator and the District SRO
- Funds are used for equipment such as replacement and repair of school radios
- Funds are used for general supplies such as:
  - Printing of the annual Student Code of Conduct and School Information Handbook
  - KSBA Power Point Licenses for:
    - Child Abuse
    - Harassment & Bullying
    - HB-91
    - Manifestation Determination Hearings
    - Policy & Procedures Obligations
    - Restraint & Seclusion in Public Schools
    - 504 Responsibilities
    - Social Networking in Public Schools
    - Student Records – Confidentiality
    - Student Records for Volunteers
  - Additional items that ensure safe schools and buildings

- Funds are used for other security equipment such as:
  - Alarms & buzzers
  - Electronic entry and exit access panels
  - Security camera replacement, installation and upgrade of security items for all school buildings in the district

**Name of grant:** State Vocational Grant  
**Grant type:** State, non-competitive  
**Fund source:** Kentucky Dept. of Education  
**Award amount:** \$256,659  
**School(s) served:** Newport High School  
**Contact(s):** Rachel White, TEDS Coordinator; Diane Hatfield District Curriculum Coordinator

**Program description**

- The purpose of these funds is to provide high-quality career and technical educational pathways for Newport High School students.
- Funds are utilized to pay the salaries of the high school instructors teaching courses in the following pathways: visual communications, graphic communications, allied health, business, family and consumer science and carpentry.

**Name of grant:** KETS Kentucky Education Technology System  
**Grant type:** State, non-competitive  
**Fund source:** Kentucky Department of Education  
**Award amount:** \$24,632  
**School(s) served:** Newport Primary, Intermediate, Middle and High Schools  
**Contact(s):** Kevin McCormick, Director of Technology

**Program description**

- Newport Schools Utilizes KETS funding for eligible technology items and services at all schools and grade levels.
- KETS funds are utilized for priority items established in the District and School Technology Plans. 2014-15 funds will be used for network, workstation upgrades, training, support, and software for the iPad program.
- KETS funds are typically matched by General Funding; however, offers can be matched with other funding sources such as E-Rate, Perkins, and local school funds.
- KETS funding may be escrowed in the event of not enough district funding available to provide the match at that time.