

Niswonger Foundation 2019 Work Plan Summary

NF Area of Operation	Activity Name	Strategy/Description	Target Dates	Point Staff Person / Comments	August 2019 Updates
PROGRAMS					
Community Partnerships					
	International Storytelling	Live Stream and Teacher Workshops	October	Nancy	Complete for 2018
	Books from Birth	Board of Directors	August, Nashville	Nancy	Recently appointed to the Board
	Work Ethic diploma	Entire service area participating		Law/Richard	Funding for expansion received from state; rollout planning including site upgrades underway
	Greene County School Support	Literacy Program	Day in the Life programs	Larry/Amanda	Final Year of Partnership (end of project draft being developed)
	Hancock County Schools Support	Literacy Program	Community Place Based Learning Event	Larry/Sara	KinderCamp 3 weeks this summer. Funding for next school year received.

	Workforce development Initiatives	Pathways to Prosperity		Law/Richard	Pathways rollout underway at schools this fall
	Valleybrook Village			Richard	Richard serves on Valleybrook Project EARTH Advisory Committee.
	Tusculum Institute	TICUA Emerging Leaders Program	2019	Nancy	Support Tusculum University participant
	NPAC	Camp NPAC for Kids	July (annual)	Kathy, Nancy	Supporting 12 participants in 2019
	The Dictionary Project	Dictionaries for 3 rd graders	Aug - Dec (annual)	Barbara	Will order dictionaries for 2019 in July
	Second Harvest Food Bank	Backpack program	November	Nancy	Contribution made for 2019
CareerConnect	Summer Experience/Interns	2 x 2-week immersive career experience	2019 Dates: June 3-7, 10-14; July 8-12, 15-19	Law	Summer Experiences complete; record attendance across both camps; 3 interns completed summer internships (American Greetings and Meco)
	Program Activities monthly	Monthly meetings for classes of 2020 and 2021 in progress; individual meetings with CO 2019 in progress	Jan 2019-Apr 2019	Law	Fall meetings begin Aug. 7th for 10th-12th grades
Niswonger Scholars	Summer Training	Leadership Program	May 27-31 2019	Nancy/ Barbara	Completed

	Winter Training		Dec. 19-20 2019	Nancy/ Barbara	Plans in progress for 2019 winter leadership training
	Alumni Meeting		December 21, 2019	Nancy/ Barbara	Planning in progress
	Scholar Selections		Nov. 9	Nancy/ Barbara	?????
	New Scholars Dinner		April 25, 2019	Nancy/ Barbara	Completed
	Scholar trips	Seniors – Normandy Sophomore -Outdoor Challenge Juniors – New York Freshmen - Mexico	2019	Nancy	All trips completed successfully
	Senior Scholars	Graduation Dinner	May 28, 2019	Nancy/ Barbara	Completed
NiswongerCARE (C3)	Staff meeting/ trainings	Summer Training	Summer 2019	Denise/ Anita, Shawn	New and returning Advisors are participating in on site and virtual training.
	Path to College Events	State-sponsored events to promote college-going culture within the schools:	Path to College Designation for Schools	Anita/ Denise/ Shawn	147 total events held,
	Summer Melt Programming	Big-Bright-Future	Summer2019	Anita	500+ students enrolled in program and receiving support

	Reporting	End of Year (June 2019) Report	July 2019	Denise	Submitted
	Outcome/Progress Analysis	Reviewing data regarding progress on major milestones	Ongoing	Denise/ Anita	Compiling data for Advisor Activity and FAFSA submissions with last update completed on January 18, 2019.
Personalized Learning (C3)					
	Niswonger Online				
		Fee Change	Begins Summer 2019	Gina	Consortium Seat Fee= \$125/seat Affiliate Seat Fee (when no CARE money)= \$175/seat
		Summer Semester Dates	Summer 2019	Gina	Summer courses open June 3rd Summer closes July 26th
		Fall Semester Dates	Fall 2019	Gina	Courses open Aug 14th, close Dec 13th. Final grades ready for schools Dec 16th
		Course Catalog Expansion	Fall 2019	Gina	General Music
		Outreach	Ongoing	Gina/Richard	-- Booth at WSCC Literacy Conf Sept 24th

					-- Emails and/or calls to targeted schools -- Prepping to contact Sara Morrison at TN BOE to schedule another meeting
		8th Grade Enrichment	Ongoing	Gina	Meetings with schools across state, online and in person, to share benefits of online high school courses during 8th grade year
			Summer/Fall	Gina	Working with EIR coaches and presenting at EIR teacher trainings on 8th enrichment
		Website niswongeronline.com	Ongoing	Gina	Continuously updating website to reflect programs and needed information regarding Niswonger Online and Online Dual enrollment opportunities
	NiswongerCare Online/Affiliate Members	CARE Funding	Ongoing	Gina	New funding scale being offered to 3 new affiliate rural systems. New CARE Funding model is for two years: Seat Fee Yr1- \$0

					Seat Fee Yr2- \$75 Both years school system pays full \$4600 Affiliate Fee
		New Systems	Fall 2019	Gina	New systems for Fall 2019 Dyersburg City (no CARE money offered), Dyer Co (CARE money offered), and Clay Co (CARE money offered)
		Possible new Systems	Fall 2019	Gina	Currently meeting with Union Co, Overton Co, and Meigs Co to discuss partnership for Fall 2019 or Sp 2020. Reaching out to Scott Campbell from Nashville area to share info
	ETSU Online Dual Enrollment Partnership	ETSU Online Dual Enrollment	Fall 2019	Gina	Fall DE currently has 52 enrollments
				Gina/ETSU Admissions Office	Meetings with schools to continue sharing on partnership
	Walter State and Northeast State Dual		Summer/ Fall 2019	Gina	Expanding online Dual Enrollment partnership with WSCC and NESCC.

	Enrollment Partnership				Meeting held on July 23rd with both colleges. Focus on fully online CTE offerings that will benefit students across the region.
			Fall 2019	Gina	Representatives from Foundation, NESCC and WSCC will attend annual counselor convenings to share information. NESCC on Sept 19th and WSCC TBD
	Coding	Variety of topics, levels, and delivery approaches implemented.	Summer 2019	Richard/ ETSU partners	Partnership “on hold” for Summer 2019; awaiting new, upgraded offerings. Curriculum for online courses under development.
Professional Development (C3)					
	Symposium		June 20, 2019	Vivian/ Nancy/ Barbara	Completed with 757 attendees this year.
Rural LIFE	Instructional Coaches	Selection	May/June	Richard	7 (of 9) instr. coaches will return for 2nd year

					(renewal). 2 new coaches have been selected.
		School-year training	ongoing		Weekly coaches training (facilitated by Friday Institute and staff). Lead teachers & principals (weekly by coaches) and occasional group meetings... next is July 10 for principals and key district-level staff.
		Summer Institutes	completed July 30		14 day-long, in-depth sessions for any RL teacher. Seven different sessions offered in June (each repeated in July). 400+ attendees.
	School Plans		ongoing		All initial plans complete; with ongoing revisions expected. Expenditures for initial implementation nearly complete; third round of funding announced and in progress..
OUTREACH					

TICUA Board			Ongoing	Nancy	Niswonger Foundation is a sponsor of Annual Meeting
Drive to 55		Complete TN	Steering Committee - ongoing	Nancy	Denise representing Foundation at Pathways event in February, Nashville
Battelle for Kids (BFK)		Rural Collaborative Initiative		Richard/ Nancy	Informal meetings...
Gates Foundation	Learning Circle	Representative group from TN	ongoing	Nancy	Learning Circle
	i3/EIR Rural Communities of Practice	Various (webinars, etc.)		Richard	
Tennesseans for Quality Early Learning		Quarterly Meetings	Ongoing	Nancy	Meeting and Day on the Hill, February 5-6
ETSU	Center of Excellence in STEM Education	STEM Hub Advisory Council monthly meetings		Richard	
		STEM+C initiative		Richard	2018 Proposal submitted; not funded.
		US ED Teacher Quality Partnership grant (iSLICEE)			new funding announced; similar to Rural LIFE
SCORE		Steering Committee Dissolved		Nancy	

TN Dept. of Ed. / CORE office		Regular meetings		Richard/ Nancy	
AccelNow			ongoing	Richard	
Potential Grants & Partnerships					
	VET	U.S. Dept of Labor via ARC		Richard/ Nancy	submitted July 15
	2019 EIR competition (US Dept. Of Ed)	STEM.LD proposal submitted			\$4M projection serve local middle & high schools.
		Partnership with NTC			Implementation partner in a \$16M proposal.
	National Science Foundation	Partnership with ETSU			Supporting partner for RIDGES project (last-dollar scholarships for rural students with STEM majors).
Local Business & Industry			Ongoing	Nancy/Law	Recruiting focused on financial giving/ expansion ongoing
	Tennessee Higher Education Commission	Board Member	Ongoing	Nancy	Attended Quarterly Meeting January 25.
ADMINISTRATION & OPERATIONS					
C3 Leadership Council				Nancy/ Richard	Meeting held December 19

	Web page	Updates and News	Spring/Fall 2019	Barbara	Planning next update in August
	Publications	Online News	Quarterly	Barbara/ Nancy	Next Online News will go out mid-August
		Annual Report		Nancy	The 2017-18 annual report has been mailed.
		Scholars' Directory		Barbara	2019 Directory in progress
	Social Media			Barbara	Ongoing
Facilities	New Building		Spring 2019	Nancy	Move Completed
Memberships & Subscriptions					
	NASSP			Nancy	
	Learning Forward			Richard	
	Education Week			Richard	
	Phi Delta Kappa			Nancy	
	Appalachian Funders Network			Richard	
	ASCD			Larry	RL Institutional Membership Completed
	ISTE			Richard	
	iNACOL	Institutional membership		Gina, Richard, John, others	