

Non-Traditional Educational Learning Center (NELC)

Establish a program that provides an alternative for West High School students facing suspension or are at risk of falling behind in school, for the 2025 – 2026 school year.

- + Students are referred to the program for 3 – 5 days
- + Students who attend this program will not be counted as absent.
- + Maximum of 15 students in the NELC at a time.
- + May also accommodate students who are experiencing grief, bullying, or are exhibiting poor attendance.
- + Runs the same time as a regular school day.
- + Includes social-emotional supports from licensed counselors.
- + Includes a summer program that will support a select number of NELC students, preventing learning loss providing structure across the summer months.

Request: \$172,238

- + Case Manager, Teacher, Program Supervisor – 2.4 FTE + Benefits
- + Supplies, Materials, Training
- + 10% de minimis

YMCA

- + Administer and oversee the program
- + Provide licensed counselor
- + Facilitate intake and outtake process in with West HS

Hilltop Library

- + Host the program for 2025 – 2026 school year

West HS

- + Identify students that attend program
- + Transportation to and from West HS
- + Provide safety/security supports
- + Provide licensed counselor
- + Facilitate intake and outtake process with YMCA

Target Outcomes

- + Increased graduation rates and percentage of on-track students.
- + Decreased dropout rate and chronically absent students.
- + Decreased number of students with repeat disciplinary actions.

Letters of Support

West High School

Scott Nelson, Area Superintendent

Columbus Metropolitan Library

Jennifer Baumann, Public Services Director

YMCA

Garry Lin, Chief Operating Officer