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KVEC-N4 Appalachia Cohort Updates and Generally Amazing Things



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#### **OUR MISSION**

Narrative 4 harnesses the power of the story exchange to equip and embolden young adults to improve their lives, communities and the world.



# Appalachia Cohort

Floyd County

Katie Adams Brandi Justice Amy Ratliff Caren Slone Jenkins Ind. Candice Fields Johnson County Sabrina O'Bryan Lindsey Patrick

Letcher County

Johnette Collins Lucas Shortt

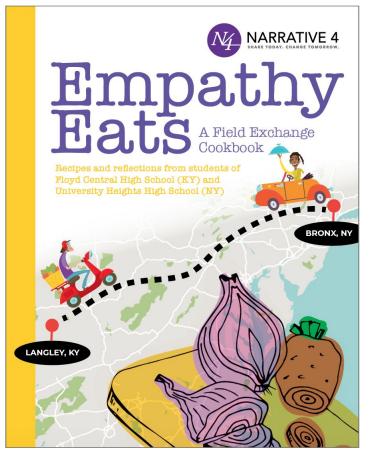
#### Pikeville Ind. Laura Keeton Rebecca King

### Narrative 4-KVEC Empathy Appalachia

Since the Fire Summit in the spring, the first N4-KVEC cohort has been busy. Online trainings and virtual story exchanges with each other and with people around the world inspired participants to make plans for how Narrative 4 could look in their schools. While the pandemic has presented challenges, each team has the anonymity and tools to implement story exchanges and other Narrative 4-inspired activities as appropriate for their students and for their school.

Sabrina O'Bryan and Lindsey Patrick have already taken Johnson County by storm. Second graders at Flat Gap Elementary have already participated in a virtual exchange and an exchange between 3rd graders and 6th graders is already scheduled.

#### https://www.theholler.org/thanksgiving-with-the-bronx/



A special shout-out to The Holler Boys for recording the richness of this food exchange. Not only do we have the joy of the video, but we now have our first Eastern Kentucky-South Bronx Cookbook.

If anyone would like a copy of the cookbook, feel free to email me. You have never seen so many ways to fix plantains!

## Floyd Central and University Heights High School

Our ongoing relationship with our sister school in the South Bronx was not thwarted by the pandemic--only slightly altered. Our students met weekly--sometimes with authors like Colum McCann and Ishmael Beah--and sometimes with the global board of directors for Narrative 4 and sometimes to create and celebrate Where I'm From poems.

Plans are already in the works for our continued partnership even in these unparalleled times.

# Narrative 4: Summer of Impact

Migrare

https://narrative4.com/migrare/

# Synchronicity:

https://narrative4.com/synchronicity/

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oyzNgvN-0hM

## Apeirogon: Impacting Students in Eastern Kentucky

Colum McCann, award-winning author and co-founder of Narrative 4, has asked that I work on learning modules for his novel, *Apeirogon*. This work has actually led to the creation of an entire curriculum for use in either 9th or 10th grade.

My co-worker and trained Narrative 4 facilitator, Sonya Slone, and I are implementing this curriculum in our freshmen classes. The results have been phenomenal. Both of our classes have a scheduled virtual meeting with the author.

# Want to know more? Drop me a line!

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