

## Press Release for Mental Health Services Coordinator Position

Calhoun County Schools has hired Kristen Fargason as its Mental Health Services Coordinator.

The Alabama State Department of Education has allocated funding for 102 school districts to hire a Mental Health Service Coordinator. The coordinator's job is to expand school-based mental health services through collaboration with the community mental health center and build partnerships with other local agencies for service provision. In addition, the Mental Health Service Coordinator will be working to bring education and awareness about mental health and the resources our community has to offer.

Fargason has experience in working in both non-profits and state agencies. Her past work experiences also include working with children who have mental health needs, foster care, and working with the elderly and disabled through Medicaid Waiver.

"I am so excited to be serving as the Mental Health Service Coordinator for Calhoun County Schools!", Fargason states. "Mental health is something that impacts each and every one of us. Life is full of ups and downs and it is my hope that every student, family, and staff member know they matter and that support is available inside and outside of the school."

Fargason has her Bachelor's and Master's in social work from Jacksonville State University with her licensure being held at the Bachelor's level. Fargason began working for Calhoun County Schools on October 5th, 2020.

If your family or child is in need of mental health support services, please contact your school counselor, or Kristen Fargason at (256) 741-7423, [kfargason@ccboe.us](mailto:kfargason@ccboe.us).



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