

Request for Collegiate Social Work Intern Placements

Request: Garrard Middle Youth Services Center requests the opportunity to host an Eastern Kentucky Bachelor's Social Work student for the spring of 2025.

Benefit for GMS: By having a Social Work student intern with the Youth Services Center this will benefit Garrard Middle School by having another support for our students. The EKU student will work hand-in-hand with Katie Hammond during lunch groups, Reality Store, New Year New Me after school program, dental bus, club day and other school needs. By having this additional support students have the opportunity to build another connection with a positive influence.

Student roles & responsibilities: The student will be expected to know, complete and understand the roles of a Youth Services Center within the school system. The student will help with projects such as advisory council meetings, organization of closets, data collection for state reporting, assisting students with individual needs, conducting a successful lunch group, assisting with Friday food bags and other duties as assigned.

When the Director is not in the building: When the YSC is out of the building the student can cover any YSC office needs of students. If the school is uncomfortable with an intern at GMS without Katie Hammond's supervision the intern can be given other projects to complete outside of school or lined up to visit with other Centers.

Length of internship: SWK 490 students will be in the school 3-4 days a week for 16 weeks to complete 300 hours needed.

Training: The student will receive FRYSC volunteer training and complete the confidentiality agreement. The student will also read through the FRYSC guidebook and GMS handbook.

Students Experience: The current student interviewing has experience with a wide range of ages. Her previous experience is at Benchmark Family Services in Berea, KY working with therapeutic supports in assisting foster children and their families with various needs.

Respectfully,
Katie Hammond
Youth Service Center Director