

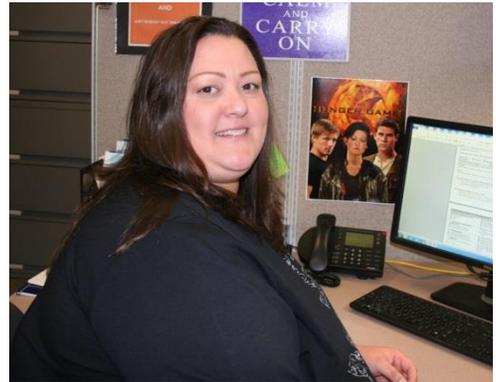
Employee Spotlight

Recognized as a passionate student advocate, Autumn Reely, K-12 Behavior Coach, makes herself available to any and all in the district who request behavioral services, consultation, and training, according to Janet Foor, director of special education.

“My role is to help teachers in grades K – 12 with classroom management issues regarding students, to develop behavioral programs that have specific expectations, to provide ongoing support for students with a variety of behavioral issues, and to offer professional development for our teachers,” said Autumn.

Autumn, who has worked as a learning support teacher, explained that some of the emotional disturbances that students have could be as a result of a traumatic experience, a mental illness, or significant anxiety. When these students become upset or angry, they cannot regulate themselves emotionally.

“One of the most rewarding aspects of my job is when I work with a classroom teacher who may be a little skeptical about a behavior plan that I’ve recommended, but eventually becomes encouraged by the outcome and the positive change that can occur,” Autumn said.



“She is a forward thinker and proactive in terms of what is needed in terms of programming to assist students with behavioral concerns and to support teachers. Autumn is a pioneer in terms of the current social skills curriculum and the FBA/BSP process that we use across the district,” said Mrs. Foor. “She demonstrates the qualities of a lifelong learner and stays current in her field.”

“It is really difficult to service a district this size. We have over 2,000 students with special needs and that number keeps growing,” Autumn noted.

Autumn has been a district employee for 10 years. Born and raised in Waynesboro, she received her bachelor’s degree from Shippensburg University and her master’s from Wilkes. She is working to acquire her behavior analyst certification.

“We’d be lost without her,” said Mrs. Foor.