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District names Beckett Lexington High’s school counseling director

LEXINGTON, S.C. — On Tuesday, June 1, 2021, the Lexington County School District One Board of Trustees approved the promotion of Sara E. Beckett to Lexington High School’s school counseling director.

Beckett, a school counselor at LHS, began her career as a school counselor 15 years ago at Springfield Middle School in Fort Mill, South Carolina. In 2007, she transitioned to Nation Ford High School, also in the Fort Mill School District.

She served NFHS for five years supporting 400 students, coordinating Individual Graduation Plans, counseling students, managing mental health referrals, and assisting students with internships and job-sharing opportunities.

Beckett joined Lexington District One in 2012 as a school counselor at Pelion High School, serving about 260 students, identifying at-risk students, and supporting their mental, emotional and academic success. She also assisted students with scholarship opportunities, created and maintained a counseling website, developed small-group and classroom lessons, and participated in the district’s Crisis Response Team.

In August 2015, Beckett moved to Lexington High School. She created an efficient plan to distribute 504 plans to teachers, led classroom lessons, supervised a counseling intern, created a counseling website, and supported 320 students. She collaborated with the administration on dual credit offerings and helped at-risk students develop graduation plans to increase their success. She’s held the position of interim counseling director since mid-April.

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Beckett earned a Bachelor of Science in psychology from Appalachian State University and a Master of Education in school counseling from Kent State University. A National Board Certified Counselor, she holds certifications as an ADEPT evaluator for school counselors, SAFE-T evaluator, and global career development facilitator.

Beckett is a member of the American School Counselor Association and the Palmetto State School Counselor Association.

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