Meet Child and Adolescent Behavioral Health’s Lawrence Faulk, who is a Qualified Mental Health Specialist covering the school district of Alliance City Schools.

Lawrence, who graduated from Alliance High School, went on to earn his bachelor’s degree in sociology with a minor in business administration from Kent State University.

Lawrence said, the best part of his job is, “promoting mental, emotional and overall well-being in children and finding solutions to challenging situations.”

**Hobbies:** Traveling, classic cars and fishing  
**Favorite book:** Self-help books  
**Favorite movies:** Who done it, mysteries

A Qualified Mental Health Specialist works with clients to:

- Resolve conflict with others
- Manage emotions including anger, minor social or performance anxiety, disappointment, frustration, occasional sadness
- Coping with change, uncertainty, death, loss
- Positive parenting strategies and support
- Linkage to mental health services and other indicated medical/support services
- Linkage to natural and community supports
- Reinforcement and rehearsal of skills taught in therapy.

A therapist is indicated when the presentation of symptoms warrants a clinical (medical) diagnosis and are leading to impairment of daily functioning:

- Significant anxiety
- Depression
- Significant oppositional/conduct behavior
- Trauma
- Suicidal ideation or self-harm behaviors
- Homicidal ideation or harming others
- Substance abuse
- Resolve the complex roots of each individuals client’s unique struggles
Child and Adolescent Behavioral Health (C&A)

MISSION STATEMENT: Working together to be the premier resource for emotional and behavioral health services and products that help children, youth, and families successfully meet life’s challenges.

Ages Served: Birth – 24 years old

Locations: Services may be offered in homes, schools, C&A’s four Stark County offices, and other community locations throughout Stark County.

Services and Programs Available:
- Prevention and Consultation Services
- Individual and Family Therapy
- Psychiatric Evaluations and Medication Management
- Substance Abuse Treatment Services
- Dialectical Behavior Therapy
- Trauma Informed Day Treatment
- Early Childhood Consultation and Treatment
- Sexually Inappropriate Behavior Remediation
- Comprehensive Diagnostic Assessment
- Trauma Focused CBT
- Qualified Mental Health Specialists (QMHS)
- Peer Mentoring Services
- Transitional Aged Youth Services
- MST and MST-PSB
- Parenting Skills Development
- Intensive Home-Based Services

Concerns Addressed (include but are not limited to):
-Trauma including physical abuse, sexual abuse, bereavement, grief and loss
- Depression/Mood Disorders
- Anxiety
- Substance Use/Abuse/Dependence
- Disruptive behaviors
- Autism Spectrum Disorders
- Psychotic disorders
- Divorce, separation, and loss
- Parent/child relationship issues
- Social/relationship issues
- School difficulties
- Emotional regulation/anger management
- Oppositional and conduct disorders
- Suicidal Ideation
- Self-injury behaviors
- Sexual behavior problems
- Court/Legal Involvement
- ADHD
- LGBTQ
- Bullying