

Get to know your school-based therapist

Kim Cernansky, MSSA, LISW-S

Meet Child and Adolescent Behavioral Health's Kim Cernansky who is the school-based therapist at Washington and Marlboro elementary schools.

Kim, who graduated from Lake Catholic High School, went on to earn her bachelor's degree in sociology and minored in psychology and business from the University of Mount Union and her master's degree in social administration from Case Western Reserve University.

Kim said the best part of her job is working collaboratively with staff and clients at my school and seeing the progress the kiddos make.

Hobbies: working out, going for walks, spending time with family and friends

Favorite book: *Love You Forever* by Robert Munsch **Favorite movies:** Any Avenger/Superhero movie

Child and Adolescent Behavioral Health's (C&A's) school-based consultation services include behavioral health screening and referral, crisis intervention, student social/emotional skill development and behavioral health and wellness education, community linkage and referrals, parent/guardian engagement/education, CARE team meetings and collaboration with school staff. When indicated, students may receive formal diagnostic and treatment services, provided at the school, by the school-based therapist.

- Students are referred to counseling by school staff and CARE teams to screen for mental health or substance issues
- Parents are asked to be engaged in the process
- C&A will assist with linking families to community resources as needed.
- C&A's clinical staff collaborates closely with school staff to enhance a supportive social/ emotional school environment





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Services at a Glance

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 Comprehensive Diagnostic Assessment

Individual and Family Therapy Trauma Focused CBT

Psychiatric Evaluations and Medication Management Qualified Mental Health Specialists (QMHS)

Substance Abuse Treatment Services Peer Mentoring Services

Dialectical Behavior Therapy Transitional Aged Youth Services

Trauma Informed Day Treatment MST and MST-PSB

Early Childhood Consultation and Treatment Parenting Skills Development
Sexually Inappropriate Behavior Remediation 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 Emotional regulation/anger management

Anxiety Oppositional and conduct disorders

Substance Use/Abuse/Dependence Suicidal Ideation

Disruptive behaviors Self-injury behaviors

Autism Spectrum Disorders

Psychotic disorders

Sexual behavior problems
Court/Legal Involvement

Divorce, separation, and loss

ADHD

Parent/child relationship issues LGBTQ

Social/relationship issues

School difficulties

Bullying