## MCA DELTA NEWS

The Official MCA Delta Region Newsletter

## **MEET YOUR OFFICERS**

Tameka McIntyre

Tameka McIntyre is the Secretary for MCA -Delta Region. She is a Licensed School Counselor at Horn Lake High School via Desoto County School District. She is also a full time PhD student at Jackson State University. She is also elated to have been offered the opportunity to present at the NCDA 2020 Conference with her previous professor and mentor, Dr. Natasha Barnes.

#### Natasha Barnes

Dr. Natasha Barnes is an assistant professor with Delta State University in the Division of Counselor Education and Psychology, located in Cleveland, MS. She began her professional career in 2017 and has begun bringing attention to military families in the Mississippi Delta. Dr. Barnes is a graduate of Argosy University Atlanta, where she received a Doctorate of Education in Counselor Education & Supervision. Her research interests include working with military families and career development in adolescents. Dr. Barnes is a MCA Delta Region Past-President. She is currently serving as Treasurer of the Delta Region.





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Cleveland Phinisee Jr.

Cleveland W. Phinisee Jr. is a native of Greenville MS. He is also a graduate of Delta State University. Cleveland currently works at Mississippi Behavioral Health Services in Greenville, MS. He has served for about 3 years on Delta Region Executive Board in various positions. He is a past MCA Emerging Leader and active member of the Human Rights Committee. Cleveland is currently serving as The Delta Region's President-Elect.

Jana' Slay

Jana' Slay is a native of Greenville, MS. She is a graduate of Delta State University where she received her M. Ed. and Ed. S in School Counseling. Jana' is a Licensed School Counselor at St. Joseph Catholic School in Greenville, MS. She has served on the Delta Region Executive Board in various positions for the past 3 years. Jana' is currently serving as President of the Delta Region.



### DELTA AREA COUNSELOR Spotlight

Dr. Mary Bess Pannel

Mary Bess Pannel, PhD, LPC, NCC graduated with a BLA from Louisiana State University (2002), two Masters degrees and an Education Specialist from Mississippi College (2003, 2006, and 2007), and a PhD in counselor education with an emphasis in school counseling from Mississippi State University (2016).

Dr. Pannel has worked in education and the field of school counseling since 2003. She has previous school counseling experience in the K-12 school setting, as well as teaching and counseling experience within the community college setting and art education.

Dr. Pannel currently works as an assistant professor in the counselor educationprogram at Delta State University in Cleveland, Mississippi. Her research interests include professional advocacy, data-driven practices in school counseling, child and adolescent groups, and creative techniques in counseling.



# MARK YOUR CALENDARS

#### MCA Delta Region Virtual Fall Meeting

Friday, November 6, 2020

#### **MCA Fall Virtual Conference**

November 11 - 13, 2020 Registration Opens September 1, 2020



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