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ELECTION 2020 SPECIAL ISSUE

## MSCA Officer Candidate Process:

This year we are voting on candidates for **President Elect, Secretary and Post-Secondary Vice President.**

The election will take place during the week of February 8-12. It will be done via electronic voting and will be done through the MCA Website.



*Heather Norton*  
MSCA President

**Now for a look at this year's candidates!**

MSCA Election Newsletter

## Candidate for President Elect

### **Dr. Ebonee Magee-Dorsey**



Dr. Dorsey is a school counselor in the Lawrence County School District. Currently, providing services at 2 schools: Rod Paige Middle School, and Monticello Elementary. Channeling a deep passion for working with students, mental health and social emotional needs are a top priority for Dr. Dorsey. In bringing about systemic change, she focuses on identify barriers to success, social justice, advocacy, leadership and most importantly her students, through a comprehensive counseling program.

Dr. Dorsey attended Mississippi College and earned her Bachelor of Science in Mass Communication, Master of Education in School Counseling, Education Specialist in Counseling and in December of 2017, she earned her Doctorate in Professional Counseling.

After receiving her bachelor's degree at Mississippi College, Dr. Dorsey followed her calling into counseling. Before joining the Lawrence County School District, Dr. Dorsey worked for Tougaloo College and Clinton Public School District.

Dr. Dorsey has been a school counselor since 2013. She is currently serving as the Middle/Junior High Vice President of the Mississippi School Counselor Association, MCA Conference Awards Chair, past secretary of the Magnolia Region, 2018-2019 MCA Emerging Leader, 2019 MCA School Counselor of the Year, and recently elected in October as the Treasurer of MCA. She is also a member of the American Counseling Association (ACA), American School Counseling Association (ASCA), and Board of Directors for Mississippi Association of Middle Level Education (MAMLE).

Dr. Dorsey is passionate about the impact school counselors have with student success by addressing personal, social, and academic needs. She loves working with students and helping them become productive and well-rounded citizens. Dr. Dorsey is extremely honored to run for President-Elect in order to continue to serve MSCA and the counseling profession.

## Candidate for President Elect

### **Dr. Amanda Winburn**



Dr. Amanda Winburn is currently serving as an Associate Professor at the University of Mississippi within the Department of Leadership and Counselor Education. She has over 15 years of experience working with children in various settings.

Dr. Winburn is a licensed educator, school counselor, and administrator. She currently serves as the Program Coordinator for the Ed.S. in Counselor Education (Play Therapy Specialization Track) and teaches courses within the School Counseling and Play Therapy specialty areas. For the last two years, she has also served as the MSCA Post-Secondary Vice President.

She and her husband (Jon) have lived in Oxford, MS for 13 years. They have two beautiful daughters, Addie (13) and Julia (9). Along with 3 dogs, they feel blessed to say their house is never quiet or very clean...

## Candidate for Secretary

### Dr. Candice Allison



Dr. Candice Allison is currently the counselor at Velma Jackson High School in the Madison County School District. Dr. Allison is very passionate about her students and works hard to see them succeed. Having worked in the field of education for more than thirteen years, Dr. Allison's objective is to help empower students to identify their personal, educational, and career goals to become productive citizens of their communities.

Dr. Allison earned her Bachelor of Science degree from Jackson State University and her Master of Education, Educational Specialist, and Doctoral degrees from Mississippi College. She is also a National Certified School Counselor and a National Certified Counselor.

Dr. Allison loves helping others and is truly passionate about her career. Her love for education and counseling has fostered many success stories of students achieving their goals after high school.

Dr. Allison is excited about running for secretary and looks forward to serving our counseling organization.

## Candidate for Secretary

### Charlotte Armstrong



Charlotte Armstrong is a National Certified Counselor and Licensed Social Worker currently serving children at Horn Lake Intermediate School. Armstrong previously worked as a Child Protection Specialist for the Mississippi Child Protection Services.

Armstrong holds memberships in the American School Counseling Association (ASCA) and the Mississippi Counseling Association (MCA). Armstrong has earned multiple certifications from the ASCA including: School Counselor Leadership Specialist, Closing the Gap Specialist, Data Specialist, and a Trauma Informed Specialist. Recently, Armstrong was selected as a MCA Emerging Leader for the 2020/2021 school year. Charlotte's commitment to continual professional growth and passion for learning position her as an outstanding candidate to serve as the Secretary for the Mississippi

School Counselor Association.

Armstrong believes that Mississippi's students need counselors who are passionate about uplifting students, enthusiastic for professional growth, and are willing to exceed the expectation to help improve student success.

## Candidate for Post-Secondary Vice President

### Capri Brooks



Dr. Capri Brooks is a professor of Counselor Education at Liberty University. Prior to becoming a counselor educator in 2014, Brooks spent time working in both clinical counseling and school counseling where she specialized in children and adolescents. As a school counselor, Dr. Brooks has spent time in elementary, middle, and high schools. She currently serves as volunteer counselor at a local school.

Dr. Brooks is a National Certified Counselor and a National Certified School Counselor. She is a Licensed Professional Counselor-Supervisor and a Licensed School Counselor in Mississippi. Dr. Brooks currently serves as a Chapter Faculty Advisor (CFA) for the Chi Sigma Iota Rho Eta online student chapter Rho Eta Sigma.