



MEET MSU'S COEHS NEW FACULTY

The Early Childhood and Elementary Education department is pleased to announce the appointment of Ms. Kara Markham and Ms. Julie Forsythe to our faculty.

Ms. Kara Markham

Ms. Kara Markham is an accomplished educator with a strong academic background, holding a Bachelor of Science degree in Elementary and Special Education from Murray State University. She furthered her education by earning a Master's as a Literacy Specialist, which provided her with advanced skills in teaching reading and literacy. Additionally, Kara attained an Educational Specialist degree in Instructional Leadership from the University of the Cumberlands, equipping her with the knowledge to lead and implement effective teaching strategies in various educational settings. In her professional capacity, Kara is actively involved in shaping educational practices as a board member of the Kentucky Reading Association. In this role, she collaborates with state education leaders and other stakeholders to promote the Science of Reading, ensuring that instruction is grounded in research and evidence-based methodologies.



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Ms. Julie Forsythe

Ms. Forsythe brings with her an impressive career as a retired elementary school teacher from Graves County, with more than 27 years of experience, dedicated to promoting the intellectual development of young children within the educational context. She is proudly National Board certified, a testament to her expertise and commitment to high standards in education. In addition to her teaching experience, she has a strong background in implementing Multi-Tiered Systems of Support (MTSS), which helps meet the diverse needs of her students. We are thrilled to have her join our team and look forward to the wealth of knowledge and experience she will bring to our program.



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