

# ESE Staff Spotlight

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## Georgianna Edwards :: Site Supervisor

**Work Experience:** Georgianna has a Bachelor of Arts degree in Sociology from Anderson University and has a strong Elementary Education background. Georgianna has worked for Carmel Clay Parks and Recreation since 2006. She was a Pre-K teacher for over 2 years at Alternative Learning Center. She also worked for Wheeler Mission Ministries as a camp counselor for their Camp Hunt (camp for inner city girls and boys). Georgianna has over eight years experience in day care settings as well.

**Fun Fact:** Georgianna has a three year old named Kaitlyn Rose Edwards, and she has been married to the Assistant Site Supervisor at Smoky Row for nine years.



## Eric Purnell :: Assistant Site Supervisor

**Work Experience:** Eric Purnell is originally from Cleveland, Ohio. He attended Northland High School, located in Columbus, Ohio, where he received a full ride track scholarship to Indiana University (Bloomington). Eric graduated from IU in 1998. While attending, Eric worked for the Benjamin Banneker center located in Bloomington, where he helped organize and facilitate sporting activities. He really enjoys being in a position where he is able to impact young people's lives in a positive way.

**Fun Fact:** Eric really enjoys working with the kids at Towne Meadow and has been with Carmel Clay Parks and Recreation for about 2+ years.



## Leafy Dunnam :: Inclusion Facilitator

**Work Experience:** Leafy is a full time student at Harrison College, majoring in Criminal Justice. She is a mother of a seven year old daughter. She has had experience as a director of a YMCA before and afterschool program.

**Fun Fact:** She loves to read. Her favorite books are The Twilight Series and Harry Potter books.



## Rebecca Thompson :: Facilitator

**Work Experience:** Rebecca has some college experience at IUPUI. She has 8 children and 18 grandchildren. She loves working with children and looking forward to the wonderful school year ahead at Towne Meadow.

**Fun Fact:** Her favorite color is red, and she has a miniature pincher named "Bipp".

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## Christina O'Connor :: Facilitator

**Work Experience:** Christina is a graduate of Indiana University with a Bachelor of Science in Kinesiology. She majored in Sports Communication with a minor in Telecommunications. She has been a camp counselor, worked for the Indianapolis Indians, and has also been a ticket person at IU Basketball Games.

**Fun Fact:** Christina attends Colts games as a season ticket holder, loves to travel and play NFL Fantasy Football.



## Kayla Phillips :: Facilitator

**Work Experience:** Being new at Towne Meadow this year, Miss Kayla Phillips thrives to accomplish many tasks with the students who attend there. Kayla is a junior and an honor roll student who currently goes to Carmel High School. Kayla is well experienced with kids. At Orchard Park Elementary, in fifth grade, she took a baby-sitting safety class. Therefore, she has baby-sat numerous times in the past. She has also tutored kids in many subjects as well. Not only does she wish that this will be a learning experience for her, but a learning experience for the children as well.

**Fun Fact:** Kayla has been taking Spanish since pre-school (14 years) and loves to tutor people who need assistance. She also has a cute Chihuahua named Lola!



## Katelynn McWilliams :: Facilitator

**Work Experience:** Katelynn has worked with Carmel Clay Parks and Recreation for 3 years. Before coming to Towne Meadow she worked for 3 years at the YMCA's after school program. She loves working with the children at Towne Meadow and is looking forward to another great school year!

**Fun Fact:** She used to ride horses.



## Jim Laud :: Facilitator

**Work Experience:** Jim spent 4 years working for the Cedar Lake Parks and Recreation Department. History: Jim's hometown is Cedar Lake, IN which is two and a half hours north and about an hour away from Chicago. He is now living in Indianapolis to attend IUPUI as a marketing, management and political science major.

**Fun Fact:** Jim is an outdoorsman, and he loves racing.

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## Leng Thao :: Facilitator

**Work Experience:** Leng has experience working with youth at Hmong Hope Church. He was a worship leader at Hope Church. Leng graduated from Carmel High School in 2009. He is the youngest son of 12 siblings. He also knows how to play the guitar.

**Fun Fact:** Leng wishes he knew how to cook tasty food.



## Michael Myers :: Inclusion Facilitator

**Work Experience:** After high school, Michael went into the military and became a Surgical Tech. Toward the end of Michael's military career, he transferred to IUPUI and is now majoring in Elementary Education. You can also catch or sign up with Michael in the early mornings at the Monon Center as a FitLinxx Fitness Instructor. He is currently training with Mr. Purnell for Triathlons around the Midwest this summer and fall.

**Fun Fact:** Michael is very passionate toward his career and applying positive influence and enriched development to youth.