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# STAFF SPOTLIGHTS



## **Audrey Cooper**, Site Supervisor

This is Audrey's 6th year at College Wood ESE. She has worked with Carmel Clay Parks & Recreation since March 2014 and loves working with kids. She graduated from Cornerstone University in Grand Rapids, Michigan, in 2013 and moved to Indiana after getting married. In her free time Audrey enjoys all types of outdoor activities such as running, biking, hiking, gardening, and walking her two dogs, Jules and Ellie.

**Fun Fact:** Audrey started a new hobby over the summer, mountain biking!



## **Allison Wray**, Assistant Site Supervisor

Allison has been working with ESE since September of 2017. She started as a Head Counselor at Mohawk Trails before starting her position at College Wood in January of 2019. She loves her job at College Wood and loves making the kids laugh. Allison currently has 5 cats after rescuing a stray cat that had kittens!

**Fun Fact:** Allison is getting married in October!



## **Susan Heckaman**, Head Counselor

Susan has been a part of the College Wood ESE program since 2015 and is excited to step up to the role of Head Counselor this year. Although she grew up in the Buckeye State, Susan is a Purdue graduate and now resides in Carmel with her husband, dog, and 5<sup>th</sup> grade son.

**Fun Fact:** Susan enjoys hiking, running, and worship music!

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## **Xyrese Breland**, Kid Counselor

Xyrese has worked at College Wood for 3 years. He has always enjoyed working with kids because of the great trust and friendship he builds with them. Xyrese is so excited to be back at College Wood to see the kids, parents, and staff!

**Fun Fact:** Xyrese is half way done with studying to be a Criminal Investigator!



## **Emily Timmons**, Kid Counselor

Emily is starting her 3<sup>rd</sup> year at College Wood ESE. She loved going to ESE when she was in elementary school at Orchard Park! Emily just graduated from IUPUI with her Bachelor's Degree in Public Affairs Management. Emily is so excited to have a great year at CWE!

**Fun Fact:** Emily teaches the Carmel High School JV Color Guard as well as the Noblesville High School Color Guard!



## **Valliei Chandrakumar**, Kid Counselor

This is Valliei's 2<sup>nd</sup> year working with College Wood ESE. She loves working with kids because they teach her something new every day. Valliei loves reading mystery books, exploring nature and spending time with her golden doodle Pluto!

**Fun Fact:** Valliei is a senior at Carmel High School. Go Greyhounds!

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## **Meghan Lacy**, Kid Counselor

Meghan has worked at College Wood for 4 years. She is a senior at Butler University studying Elementary Education and Special Education. Meghan is looking forward to seeing everyone back at school this year!

**Fun Fact:** Meghan likes to watch Netflix and hang out with friends!



## **Sarah McConkey**, Kid Counselor

Sarah is starting her 2<sup>nd</sup> school year at ESE. She graduated from Ball State University in 2018 with a degree in Wildlife Biology. After graduating, Sarah was a camp counselor at CYO Camp Rancho Framasca. She loves being outdoors, camping, and learning about nature. She also has 2 pets: a bunny named Ollie and a bearded dragon named Bard! Her favorite thing to do with them is dress them up in goofy outfits or snuggle. Sarah can't wait to get to know the kids this year and seeing what she can learn from them!

**Fun Fact:** Sarah is working on a teaching degree!



## **Nicole Ambroggi**, Kid Counselor

Nicole started with ESE in the middle of the 2019-2020 school year. She graduated from IUPUI with a Bachelor of Science in Elementary Education where she student taught Kindergarten, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> graders at multiple schools in Indianapolis. She has more than 9 years of experience with kids! Nicole's favorite part of working with kids is getting to know them and giving them opportunities to shine in their own way.

**Fun Fact:** Nicole loves to dance!

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## **Caroline Suess**, Kid Counselor

This is Caroline's second year working at College Wood ESE. She currently attends Carmel High School. Caroline enjoys reading and making crafts!

**Fun Fact:** Caroline loves to make earrings!



## **Ben Outland**, Kid Counselor

This will be Ben's first year at College Wood ESE. He loves working with kids and has worked at 2 different summer camps for 3 years. Ben is excited to start working at ESE and can't wait to meet everyone!

**Fun Fact:** Ben is in his school's competitive show choir!

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## **Claire Hatton**, Kid Counselor

Claire has worked for Carmel Clay Parks for 4 years and goes to school at the University of Alabama. Her major is Speech Pathology!

**Fun Fact:** Claire is graduating in the Fall!