MCSHC Member Spotlight

Congratulations to Donna Taylor, our new MCSHC President. Donna works for the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education in the Family Consumer Sciences and Human Services section. Her primary job is state adviser for Missouri Family, Career and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA). She also has the charge of working on family and individual health course areas and human development (and a few others). Donna has been with the department since 2014. Prior to that Donna taught Family and Consumer Sciences in a few different high schools across the state. She has a BS in Family and Consumer Sciences from Northwest Missouri State University. Donna has been a part of the MCSHC since shortly after she started at MO DESE. Donna also serves as the Missouri LifeSmarts program which is a student competition on life skills.

“I knew when I took a Family and Consumer Science class in high school that this would be my career path”.

Donna’s vision or plan for her tenure as president is engagement. Engagement from both sides, the members of the coalition, and schools. She wants to work to bring more school personnel to the table and actively engage in conversations with them so that the coalition can work towards meeting their needs and providing them the resources they need to be successful in aspects of school health. She wants to work towards making the coalition the go to spot to find the information and resources that schools in Missouri need. Donna also wants to work to offer more opportunities for members to engage outside of just attending the scheduled meetings.