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Dear RCS Administration,

We hope this letter finds you doing well. The Exceptional Children's Department is providing this letter to you so that you are aware of school psychologist assignments for the 2017-2018 school year. Please see the school psychologist assignments listed on page 2 of this memo. As you may or may not be aware, there is a shortage of school psychologists in the state of North Carolina and nationally. The state and national shortage has impacted our school system. The Exceptional Children's Department will continue to recruit qualified school psychologists. We do have a fewer number of school psychologists and our school psychologists have had to assume additional schools than in previous years. As you work with our school psychologists in scheduling SSMT/MTSS meetings, crisis meetings, and eligibility meetings, as we enter into the 2017-2018 school year, we all must keep in mind that their time is more limited this year. Our school psychologists serve an extremely important role in our district. As we continue to recruit school psychologists, please understand it will take collaboration of support personnel, EC staff, and administration as they have more schools to serve which means they must be strategic in appropriating their time to each school. We know they will work to the best of their ability to ensure you receive the best support possible for our students.

During the RCS Administrator's Retreat, you will be receiving a document that will detail additional related service provider information for your school. Please let us know if you have any questions. We look forward to partnering with you in the 2017-2018 school year.

Respectfully,

*Stephanie Lowe Ellis*

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Cc: Dr. Cindy Corcoran, EC Office, EC Leadership Team, ISS Office

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## School Psychologist Assignments 2017-2018

### **\*Indicates Homebase School**

#### Holli Farr- Lead School Psychologist

\*Williamsburg Elementary  
Moss Street Elementary  
Rockingham County Middle School  
Early College High School  
(Supervising Intern)

#### Amela Rizvanovic Ahmetovic

\*Huntsville Elementary  
Preschool (play-based assessments)  
Western Rockingham County Middle  
Dillard Elementary

#### Meagan Bergeron-School Psychologist Intern

\*Bethany Elementary (with H. Farr)  
DMHS (with Dr. Bentum)  
*(Meagan will serve both DMHS and Bethany in January)*

#### Diane Zihal

\*Stoneville Elementary  
New Vision

#### Marissa Casper

\*Monroeton Elementary  
Douglass Elementary  
Central Elementary  
Rockingham County High

#### Michele Knight

\*Wentworth Elementary School  
Leaksville Spray Elementary  
Reidsville Middle School  
SCORE

#### Dr. Kwesi Bentum

\*Holmes Middle  
Draper Elementary  
Morehead High School  
McMichael High School (\*With Intern)

#### Rich Crowder

\*Reidsville High School  
Lincoln Elementary  
South End Elementary

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