



Leigh Johnson had no plans to teach while majoring in Family & Consumer Sciences Education but rather planned on working within the business community in consumer education. However, after student teaching with FACS legend Sabrina Bennett she knew that she was meant to be a FACS educator. She taught high school FACS in Newton County for two years before her family moved to Berrien County where she taught FACS at the middle school level before choosing to stay home with her two boys. She returned to the classroom in 2012. She has built the program from a one person department to a two teacher department. Leigh taught the Nutrition and Food Science Pathway for nine years. She now teaches the Interiors Fashion & Textiles Pathway where she has a 100% end of pathway assessment completion pass rate. Under her leadership, the Berrien High FCCLA chapter has been Chapter of the Year twice, has had numerous state and region officers and has maintained Honor Roll with Distinction status for twelve consecutive years. In addition to her many classroom and FCCLA accolades, Leigh has also served in different capacities on the GATFACS Board of Directors. Leigh served as GATFACS President during the 2021-22 school year. Leigh is a product of the Family & Consumer Sciences program, beginning with serving as a State FHA Officer while in high school and then graduating from Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College and The University of Georgia in FACS Education. Through her experiences at ABAC & UGA, Leigh was prepared to be an FACS teacher and FCCLA adviser. She believes in the values of Family & Consumer Sciences which includes helping people gain the knowledge and skills to lead better lives, be work and career ready, build strong families and make meaningful contributions to our communities.