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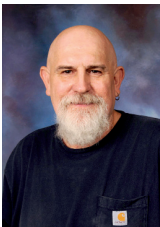
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Not one piece of unneeded paper on her desk. Files and folders neatly tucked away. Students with E-H last names know firsthand that when they are in need of course planning, Kelly Bergmann is their go-to person.

Relationships with students is the best part of her job, from helping freshmen navigate the building to discussing college with seniors.

“My most favorite part would be watching how kids grow. From being a 14-year-old who is insecure to seeing them walk across the stage at graduation.”

But what exactly goes on in the guidance office?

“It ranges from crises that come into our office, like peer conflicts, teacher conflicts, things at home. You name it, it happens,” Bergmann said. “You never know what’s gonna walk through your door.”

And when the future comes knocking, Bergmann is eager to answer. That’s her favorite subject.

“I’m super organized and kind of linear with things. I like to do course planning with kids.”

Before discovering counseling, she followed a few different paths along the way.

“I thought I was going to be a math teacher, [but] ... I took pre-calc and almost failed out of it,” she said.

Although quadratic formulas and Pythagorean theorems weren’t her thing, the idea of counseling hovered in the back of her mind.

“My mom was a teacher, so I thought that was the kind of impact I wanted to give to kids.”

Growing up in a small Michigan town offered Bergmann lots of activities.

“I kind of did everything: basketball, softball, volleyball, track, student council, National Honors Society,” she said. “I remember I got my first B when I was a junior. It was devastating,” she said with a laugh.

“But it was like the best thing that happened to me ... I just learned to chill out ... school’s about way more than just getting A’s in all of your classes. It’s about growing as a person and doing things you love.”

—By Megan Haman & Brooke Goodman

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