

## Kristen Baker

Kristen served as an Autism Specialist and Program Support Teacher the past eight years for Special Services Johnson County and surrounding schools. She is currently working on her director of exceptional needs license through Ball State University. Kristin was recommended for the ICASE Presidential Scholarship by Johnson

County Special Services Executive Director Angela Balsley and Michele Neumann Assistant Director. Kristin is a member of CEC, a presenter for Central Indiana Autism Round Table, Coordinator of ANTS (SSJCSS Autism network), and a member presenter for Program support PLC. She provides professional development for staff, parents and community agencies, was the pilot coordinator for TeachMate 365 for six school districts, and the curator of the Autism components on the SSJCSS website and Pinterest page. Kristen received the 2010-11 SSJCSS People's Choice Award for outstanding service and the 2009-10, 2011-12 SSJCSS Valuable Contributions Award. Her goal as a director is to engage, equip and empower staff and students so that they may achieve to their potential.