

Vené Baggett, MSW, LMSW  
CURRICULUM VITAE

Texas A&M University-Central Texas  
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**EDUCATION**

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MS	Our Lady of the Lake University, Social Work	December 2015
BS	Texas A&M University – Central Texas, Social Work	August 2012

**WORK HISTORY**

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**La Vega ISD, Waco** 2012 to 2022

**Student Services/SEL Liaison**

- Coordinated services and resources for students at risk for dropout including Juvenile Justice Center, emergent bilingual and migrant resulting in a 2% dropout rate.
- Collaborated with Communities in Schools to provide support and resources for homeless, pregnant and/or parenting students resulting in 97% of students graduating on time.
- Facilitated sexual health education classes for over 300 students in seventh and ninth grades resulting in a reduction of unplanned pregnancies.
- Developed district-wide plan for social emotional learning implementation to support over 3100 students from PreK-12<sup>th</sup> grade with students indicating decreased levels of anxiety, increased coping and self-regulation skills.
- Provided over 400 classroom teachers and instructional aides with coaching on how to embed social emotional learning into lesson plans and classroom activities. Teachers noted positive outcomes concerning classroom behaviors resulting in less time away from whole group instruction.
- Facilitated 12 social emotional learning small groups consisting of up to eight students across all grade levels. Teachers expressed that students' overall performance increased and students' made gains in reducing adverse behaviors.
- Provided grief counseling and/or support for 28 students' 7<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> grades. Fifty percent of students expressed the need for continued support to process their grief.
- Provided one-to-one clinical therapy utilizing Cognitive/ Dialectical Behavioral Therapy and/or Play Therapy for 30 students across all grade levels. Students have expressed they are more likely to recognize how thoughts and behaviors effect actions.
- Mentored four La Vega High School - Early College High School students attending McLennan Community College interested in Social Work. Two of the students enrolled into a four-year university to continue the Social Work track.
- Supervised two Masters level graduate assistants from Baylor University's Department of Public Health to develop and administer a pre-test to determine current sexual behaviors and a post-test to determine if behaviors/knowledge changed after receiving the sexual health content.

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**TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

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**Sexual Health instructor for La Vega High School, La Vega Junior High School –  
George Dixon Campus, Waco** 2015 - 2022

- Presented *Big Decisions*, an evidence based curriculum, to over 300 students in seventh and ninth grades during the Fall semester; topics include: goal setting, anatomy, sexually transmitted infections, healthy relationships
- Presented *Healthy Relationships* curriculum to over 350 students in sixth and eighth grades during the Fall and Spring semesters; topics include: setting boundaries, consent, digital citizenship

**Consultant, La Vega High School** 2017 - 2022

- Served as additional learning contract resource to Bachelor level Social Work interns from Baylor and Tarleton State Universities through Communities in Schools

**Lead presenter** 2018 - 2022

- Conducted professional development presentations including PowerPoint based on evidence based research for social emotional learning to over 400 La Vega ISD classroom teachers and instructional aide

**PROFESSIONAL TRAINING**

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**Trauma Focused - Cognitive Behavioral Therapy** January 2022 - present  
Medical University of South Carolina

**Clinical supervision - Joy Pfanner, LCSW-S** August 2021 - present

**Licensed Master Social Worker** November 2020 - present

**PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

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**Heart of Texas Counseling Association** 2021-Present

**PROFESSIONAL SERVICE**

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**McLennan Fatherhood Coalition, Waco, 2022**

**La Puerta, Committee Member, 2020- present**

**Texas Campaign to Prevent Teen Pregnancy Symposium**  
Planning Committee Member – Waco area representative, 2019 - present

**Healthy Women & Children Coalition**  
Teen Parenthood Prevention Work Group, Waco, 2017 - Present

**La Vega ISD School Health Advisory Council**

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Lead, Sexual Health Education; Council Presenter, 2012 – 2022

**HONORS AND AWARDS**

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“Save Our Lungs” grant through Texas Say What Campaign 2022

La Vega ISD Hall of Fame recognition 2018

Phi Alpha Honor Society 2012  
Texas A&M University – Central Texas

Distinguished Honor Student 2012  
Texas A&M University – Central Texas