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Laura Cope Announced as New Regional Director at Goodwill
Cope will support Goodwill's education division

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind. – Goodwill of Central and Southern Indiana announces a new regional director of student services and supports, Laura Cope. Cope will work with Goodwill Education Initiatives (GEI) to ensure schools have the necessary resources to support all students. Currently, GEI owns and operates 16 schools, including [The Excel Center®](#), a one-of-a-kind high school for adults.

Cope has been with Goodwill since 2012, previously serving as director of student services. She brings extensive educational leadership experience to this position, having served as The Assistant Director of School Improvement and Turnaround with The Indiana Department of Education and as Vice President of the Clark Pleasant School Board.

“Laura is a dedicated, passionate leader at Goodwill and an advocate for all of our students,” said Anne Davis, vice president of education initiatives at Goodwill of Central & Southern Indiana. “In this new capacity, Laura will continue to help all students thrive through ensuring equity and access to the resources learners need to be successful.”

In addition to supporting The Excel Center, Cope will also work closely with Indianapolis Metropolitan High School, a best-fit school for teenagers experiencing barriers to education such as teen pregnancy, parenting, homelessness or involvement in the criminal justice system.

“We are excited for Laura to support our schools in this new role and continue making a difference in the lives of individuals and families across central and southern Indiana,” said Davis.

Laura earned her Bachelor's degree in Special Education from Indiana State University, has a Masters in Curriculum from Indiana Wesleyan University and earned her Principals License from Marian University.

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Goodwill of Central & Southern Indiana changes lives every day by empowering people to increase their independence and reach their potential through education, health and employment. The organization serves 39 Indiana counties and operates more than 70 retail locations, as well as charter schools for adults and youth, a maternal-child health program, a child care center and more.