

PAYNE COUNTY YOUTH SERVICES INTRODUCES NEW WORKFORCE INVESTMENT ACT (WIA) PROGRAM COORDINATOR –



Payne County Youth Services is introducing their new Workforce Investment Act (WIA) Program Coordinator to the Payne County area. Emily Beers is heading up the program for PCYS.

The WIA program works with youth between the ages of 16-21 to assist with such needs as tutoring to stay in school or obtain their GED, continue their post-secondary education, provide life-skills education as well as work readiness, job shadowing opportunities, and on-the-job training

opportunities. A participant must meet certain qualifications to be enrolled in the program, and upon meeting eligibility requirements, an individualized strategy is developed to assist them with meeting their particular goals for the future.

Emily recently graduated from Grand Canyon University with a Bachelor of Science degree in both Elementary and Special Education, with a passion for working with youth. She came to Payne County Youth Services looking for an opportunity to teach young people the skills needed to be productive and happy citizens in the Stillwater and surrounding communities. When asked what Emily hopes to bring to PCYS, Emily responded, "Well, I have always loved working with young people. They inspire me to be a better person. I hope to inspire them in return to follow their dreams and reach their potential." Emily and her husband have three children and enjoy outdoor activities such as hiking, bicycling, and camping together as a family.

"We are very excited to have Emily join our team at PCYS!" stated Janet Fultz, Executive Director at PCYS. "Emily brings a passion for working with youth and helping them to reach their goals. We look forward to the many ways she is going to move this program forward".

For more information about the PCYS WIA Program, other programs of the agency, or their upcoming fundraising event, "An Evening to Remember", on February 11, (featuring the Red Dirt Rangers) you may contact them at 405-377-3380, visit their website at www.pcys.org, or find them on facebook.