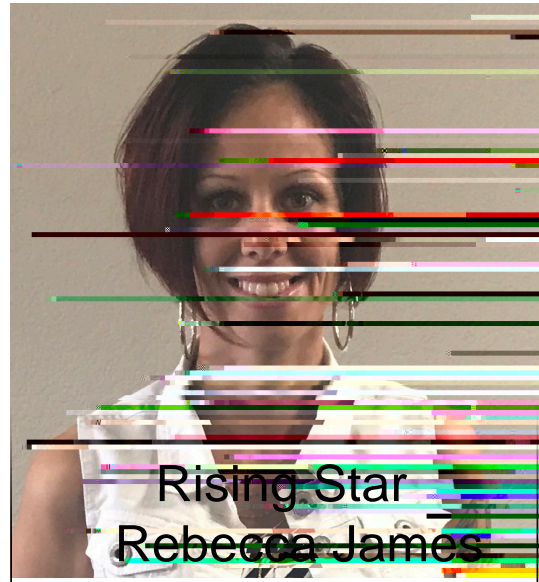
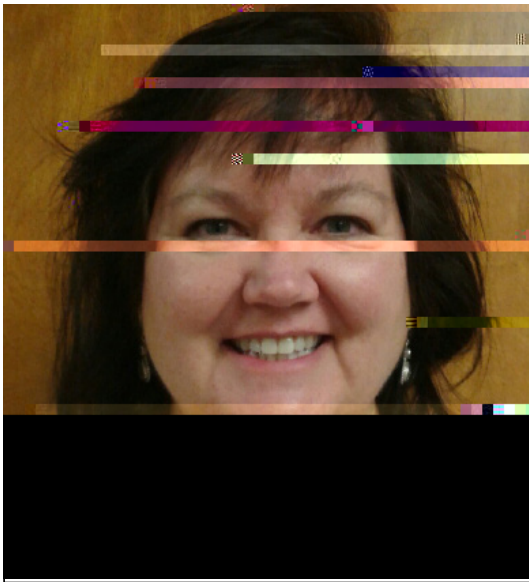


Educational Opportunity Centers



Rising Star
Rebecca James

Jacqueline (Jackie) L. Boyle serves as administrative specialist for the Student Conduct and Community Standards department at Wichita State in the Division of Student Affairs. She works directly with the assistant vice president for student advocacy, intervention and accountability and deputy title IX coordinator for students.

Her department is responsible for overseeing information to manage student issues related to disruptive or inappropriate behavior. Jackie is a perfect match for her current role in that she has also provided support for the vice president's office, the dean of students office and the Center for Student Leadership during various administrative transition periods.

Jackie was a high school graduate, who after working in the business world, decided it was time to go for the gold and obtain a college degree. She applied to the EOC Program to accomplish this. In May of 2016, Jackie earned a Bachelor of Science in health services management and community development from Wichita State.

Jackie is proud to be a Shocker, however, she has never forgotten her EOC Program roots. When designing a special brochure for the Student Services Division, Jackie made sure that the EOC program was represented. She promotes EOC through social media to help other adults find their way to academic success. Jackie is truly an EOC ambassador.

Rebecca James is a passionate first generation college student on a mission. At the time she applied for Educational Opportunity Centers Program (EOC) participation, Rebecca was the mother of five children and held a full time job at a local heating and air conditioning company.

Despite her full schedule, Rebecca was determined to achieve her educational goals and to have a career in the social service field. She was referred to the program by a partnering community organization to the EOC Program for advising and assistance to transfer to a four-year university. EOC staff assisted Rebecca with completing an admission's application for transfer students and submitting a 2017-2018 FAFSA application.

In May 2017, Rebecca graduated from Butler Community College with an associate's degree in social work. Beginning in January 2018, she will be attending Wichita State to pursue a bachelor's degree in social work with minor in psychology. Rebecca is excited at the prospect of continuing her studies in the spring 2018 semester and to be a Shocker.

Rebecca is a recipient of the Office of Special Programs admission fee grant scholarship that helped with the cost of her college admission application fee.