

Dear 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> grade parents and students,

I'd like to take this opportunity to introduce myself. My name is Nicole Labate and I am the new Hoosick Falls CSD 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade School Counselor. I am so happy to be here and to be a part of such a wonderful school and community! In my short amount of time here, I have already seen how truly incredible the students, teachers, and community members of Hoosick Falls are.

I grew up in Delmar, NY and went to SUNY Oswego for college, and then I went to graduate school at The College of Saint Rose. I have a BA in Criminal Justice and Psychology, a Master's of Education in Educational Psychology, a Master's of Education in School Counseling, and a Certificate of Advanced Study in School Counseling. I love spending time with my fiancé, my sister, and my friends, walking and running outside, reading books, hiking and camping, going to concerts, and traveling. I've been all over the US and also to Nicaragua, Costa Rica. Most recently I went to Iceland in 2018!

I am passionate about connecting with and helping young people. I want the students, staff, and families here to think of my office as a warm and friendly place where they are always welcome.

As a School Counselor, my primary responsibility is to promote the academic, personal, and social development of all students. I look forward to offering support to the students, staff, families and community here.

As the 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade School Counselor, I have the privilege to work with all of the students in those grades. I plan on seeing and working with students in their classrooms, in small groups, and one on one. As I settle in I will make sure to introduce myself and get to know them as individuals. I am here for all students and want to ensure that your child has a productive and positive school year. If I can support you or your child in anyway, please don't hesitate to contact me. Any student can request to meet with me or they can be referred by a teacher, administrator, or parent. I encourage you to reach out if you have concerns regarding your child.

Confidentiality Policy: Please note that unless they give me permission to share, all information discussed between your child and I is confidential, unless they are planning on hurting themselves, hurting someone else, or someone is hurting them. My goal will always be to work with the students to have them share important information with you.

Please feel free to email me or stop by my office to say hi if you're in the building. I can be reached by email at [labaten@hoosickfallscsd.org](mailto:labaten@hoosickfallscsd.org).

I'm so excited to be here and I look forward to getting to know you and your children!

Sincerely,

Nicole Labate  
School Counselor, 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> grade



A picture of me in Iceland in 2018 ☺