

Hello ASWIS Members

I'm Loris McCorvey, LCSW-QS, a Visiting Assistant Professor at Florida A&M University (FAMU) and the owner of a private practice serving adolescent athletes and their families, with a strong focus on the intersection of trauma and sport. I'm also on the committee working to bring a Sport Social Work Certificate Program to FAMU because I believe we strengthen the field through ethical, accessible training pathways that connect education, research, and real-world practice.

My connection to sport is personal and practical. I was a high school track athlete, and sport has remained central in my life and work. I'm married to a former athlete who went from college to professional, and yes, he also has a proud history of "never leaving the bench," so our household is fluent in humility, resilience, and cheering like it's a job. Together we've coached at multiple levels, supported the development of collegiate athletes, launched a running club, and currently lead an FCA 7-on-7 program serving youth from 12U through 18U.

I also brought community-rooted youth development experience through a sport-based afterschool mentoring and coaching program serving students in the lowest-poverty ZIP code in Florida, now expanding into an additional local Title I school. In partnership with the local school system, churches, and local college athletic departments (where student-athletes serve as coaches/mentors), this program helped support major school improvements, moving a school grade from a D to an A for the first time, with increased attendance, improved behavior, stronger academics, and increased family connection to the school. Our long-range goal is to guide students through their whole elementary experience, utilizing sports and consistent mentoring relationships to foster a sense of belonging, self-regulation, goal setting, and life skills that transfer beyond the sports context.

I'm trained and experienced as a school-based clinician in ACEs and trauma-informed care, and I hold certifications in Youth Mental Health First Aid and Teen Mental Health First Aid and Ending The Silence.

ASWIS already has strong educational programming. I intend to support the existing vision and help move strategic priorities forward through partnership, bringing an applied, trauma-informed lens from school, community sport, and clinical practice, while strengthening bridges that help ASWIS reach athletes and systems where they live every day.

Closing: *If elected, I'll listen, work, and partner sideline-ready: prepared, present, all-in keeping athletes and families at the center. Loris McCorvey*