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New director joins Lowry Early Childhood Center

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"Tiffany brought a great deal of experience in terms of running a center," said Carol Swift, chair of the Department of Human Development and Child Studies. "She certainly is very enthusiastic and energetic and brings new ideas to Lowry."

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She's also working on CCAMPIS (Child Care Access Means Parents in School).

"It's a grant that provides funding for OU students to send their children to Lowry. By providing early childhood services to their children, we can help them accomplish their education goals," Wright said.

Before joining OU, Wright was the center director and regional trainer for Angel Land Child Care in Detroit. She earned a B.S. from Rochester College and currently is working on a master's in education in early childhood at OU.

"I came to OU because I thought it was a wonderful opportunity to work in a high quality program and be a part of the OU community," Wright said. "The teachers are fabulous; they're concerned about best practices for early childhood."

Wright's favorite part of the job is working with the children and teachers. "I love to find ways to help the children learn and discover through fun play."

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