

I was hired as a substitute bus aide in November of 2011 and became a full time bus aide in March the following year. Throughout my time with TCBDD, I've worked with both adults and children. The pure hearts of both the children and the adults is what makes this job so amazing. They are brutally honest, love deeply and make us all feel like superstars! They never forget you once you've befriended them. I also appreciate my co-workers and supervisors. Through our shared love for the students we serve, we are able to make this program run smoothly.

Personally, I hope to positively impact my co-workers by being the type of person who is always willing to step up and assist in any way possible. I hope the families we serve see the love and compassion I have for the loved ones they entrust me with.

Outside of work, I love spending weekends at the lake with my parents, my kids, my sister and her kids. I enjoy a good backyard bonfire or family game night, too. My family is very important to me.

Although I am widowed, I have three awesome children and one granddaughter to keep me company and spend time with. My oldest son is 33; my daughter is 22 and almost finished with her bachelor in education degree from YSU; my youngest son is a senior at TCTC in the construction tech program; and my 15-year-old granddaughter is a sophomore at Boardman. I also have three dogs (yes, three!) and a cat.