

Twenty-five years ago Susan McGee was a new teacher in T.C., struggling to adjust from her previous job teaching violent teens to managing 15+ preschoolers with special needs! Going from restraining angry 16-year-olds to changing diapers and counting plastic beads was a whiplash-worthy change. (Ask her which one is harder!)

Fast forward 25 years, through her professional life: elementary RSP and special day classes, night school at D.D.S.L.C., summers with Oak special ed. and TCHS ELD and remedial classes, and home-health teacher; years where Brighter Side and Performing Arts Boosters was the highlight of her life; and busy, busy years as TCEA negotiator, building rep, and board member. Whew! 25 years is a long time!

This year you can find Susan still at Emperor, as its longest serving teacher. Only head custodian Paul Luevano has been there as long. Ask her about her current crop of 10 charming 4th, 5th, and 6th graders. She'll tell you this group is her favorite, but only until the next one!