



Patty Walker

Several years ago I came to Bethany to start a new career. After working for a technology company for fifteen years, I decided to follow my heart and go back to school to earn my teacher certification. I have a BSBA in Business Administration from Shippensburg University and attended the University of North Texas to obtain my certification. In 2009, I completed my Masters degree in education at Lamar University. I started at Bethany in September of 2000 and was named Beginning Teacher of the Year for Bethany that year. In 2010, I was honored as Bethany's Teacher of the Year.

I believe children should be taught in a safe environment where caring and acceptance are the norm. I want the children to feel comfortable taking academic risks along the road to their achievements and success. Students should also have the right tools for learning available to them, no matter what their learning style may be. I feel very fortunate to be here at Bethany where doing what is right for the child is what comes first in each and every classroom. I have been lucky enough to experience this caring firsthand as my husband and I watched the accomplishments of our sons at Bethany.

"What lies behind us and what lies before us are small matters compared to what lies within us."

Ralph Waldo Emerson