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Meeting faculty and students for the first time, Dr. Dawn Cartee hardly seems like a traditional college professor. She's still adjusting to being the new leader at Ogeechee Tech.

"Walking through the doors three days ago was like coming home," she explained. "There are lots of old, familiar faces and friends here that I need to get to know again."

Cartee was one of the original instructors when the school opened in 1991 and worked her way up to vice president over nine years. In the seven years she's been gone, this school has doubled its student body and added countless courses, but the mission is still the same.

"That is to provide short term training to get people to work. All we've done is broaden that focus," she added.

She says programs like veterinary technology and wildlife management are unique to Ogeechee Tech. She says the school has had a unique relationship with Georgia Southern and Statesboro. She wants to see that return.

"One of the top things on my list is to get the school back involved with the community. I want to change the mindset that we're an island out here by ourselves and I want to build a bridge and have people come back but also get our people out and involved in the community."

Cartee says she plans on being a hands on president. And with such unique opportunities, she wouldn't have it any other way.

Dr. Dawn Cartee served the past seven years at Southeastern Tech in Vidalia, most recently as Vice President.

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New President Familiar Face at Ogeechee Tech



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