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Denise, born and raised in the great state of Michigan, comes to Longleaf School of the Arts with a wide variety of experience.

While attending Community College, Denise became a licensed Real Estate agent. After eight years of residential sales and brokerage, Denise accepted a position with General Motors to manage portfolios of company owned residential real estate. Denise was loaned to the Saturn car project and led a team that was responsible for managing the relocation of 2000+ families during the Saturn start-up. After her Saturn experience, Denise became the Director of Client Services for Prudential Relocation Management and was assigned to the Nortel Networks. Denise's responsibilities included the management of a staff of 60 in five different locations in the US and Canada (Nashville, RTP, Dallas, Toronto and Ottawa). While working for GM/Saturn, Denise completed her college education, receiving a Bachelor of Science Degree in the Management of Human Resources, from Trevecca Nazarene University.

Denise left the corporate world in April of 1997 when she and her husband, Mike, welcomed twin sons to their family. Within a year, a third child, joined the family. Denise remained home for 18 years, however she did not remain idle. She's worked part-time, volunteered in the Wake County Public School System, was a founding member of Windborne United Methodist Church, served as an office volunteer and Serving and Outreach Committee Chair, has been a team parent, dance mom, homeschool teacher, you name it. Denise and her family believe life is a "learning environment," are very active in the community and are big supporters of all the Arts. They are also huge sports fans, pulling for NC State, the University of Michigan and a variety of professional teams.

Denise is thrilled to officially be on the Staff at Longleaf. Her daughter Nola Grace graduated from LSA in 2016, her sons graduated in 2016 and all three started college Fall 2016. Denise is excited to use her past experience, her love of learning, her passion for the arts and her love of Longleaf and the City of Raleigh, to help strengthen the base it was founded on and move it into "the school" to attend in the greater Raleigh area.