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### **Wendy Baker – An East Central Success Story**

In 1990, Wendy Baker graduated from Irwin County High School. She wanted to stay in the area, so she went to work for Modern Fibers and Shaw Industries. For thirteen years she worked as a twister operator and worked twelve hour shifts.

About two years ago, Wendy Decided she needed to make a career change so she enrolled in the Business Office Technology Program at East Central Tech. According to Mrs. Baker, the schedule was hard—twelve hours at the plant and then attend classes at night. In addition, she was also managing a family. She gives her instructor, Donna Harper, a lot of credit for helping and encouraging her. Mrs. Baker says, “I just want to tell everyone if I can do it, you can do it. You’ve just got to want it and set your goals.”

Also while Wendy was working, going to college, and raising a family, she attended many workshops and conferences and any activity that would help her in her career.

According to Interim President E.J. Harris, “We are always very proud to hear of success stories such as Wendy’s. We also take pride in the caring and professionalism of our faculty. East Central Tech continues to fulfill its mission and provide the needs of the communities we serve.”

Wendy and her husband Vince have three children, Vincent Bernard and Alexia. Wendy has just accepted a job at the office of Dr. Sison, a surgeon at Dorminy Medical Center.