Professor Mary Jane Teeven commenced her affiliation with Sinclair Community College in 1976 as Chairperson of the Nursing Program and began immediately through her outstanding knowledge and skills as an educator and administrator to mold the Sinclair Nursing Program into one of the finest of its type in the nation. It was her superb leadership that also guided the Nursing Program through reaccreditation by the National League for Nursing in 1980 and again in 1984 and also assured annual program approval by the Ohio State Board of Nursing. Prior to her arrival at Sinclair, Mrs. Teeven had served in the U.S. Army Nurse Corps and thereafter for many years was a member of the Nursing faculty at Loraine County Community College. She was also employed in a consultant capacity by the Ohio State Board of Nursing in Columbus.

During her tenure at Sinclair, Jane Teeven was well recognized and respected for the outstanding work which she did through state and national nursing associations and through legislators at the state level in championing the cause of associate degree nursing. Her contributions to the College and community were many and she worked tirelessly as a high level contributor on many committees. She was Chair of the Department Chairpersons' Council in 1985-86. She also was an active professional volunteer with Hospice of Dayton.

Under Mrs. Teeven’s leadership, the Sinclair Nursing Program competed for and received a Program Excellence Award of $140,000 from the Ohio Board of Regents. At her retirement in 1986, in due recognition she was presented a proclamation from the Board of Commissioners of Montgomery County, Ohio, attesting to her ten years of outstanding performance to the College and the community in her capacity as Nursing Chairperson at Sinclair.

From the beginning of her tenure at Sinclair, Jane Teeven was personally, professionally, and ethically an exceptional role model for her colleagues and students to emulate.