

Ms. Mgeryan

I started my career with LAUSD at Sutter Middle School. I worked at Sutter for six years teaching sixth and seventh grade math and science. After six years, I said goodbye to middle school and moved back to Encino Elementary School. Prior to becoming a teacher, I worked as a substitute teacher and a teacher's aid. I have earned both a Bachelor and Master's degree in Education. My teaching philosophy is to support, motivate and challenge the young leaders of tomorrow. I believe that as educators we must teach our students to think critically, not just about academics, but also about real-world issues. I strive to plan lessons that are both engaging and thought-provoking. It's my belief that all students, with the help of teachers, parents and the community can succeed.

Professionally, one of my proudest moments came when Sutter Middle School students won the title of Valley Math Champions. It was an honor teaching and working with these students during the competition process. We were featured in a *Daily News* article, and acknowledged with a luncheon and trophies. I am also proud of all my students every year. Through-out the year, we have many ups and downs. It's so rewarding to watch my students grow, persevere and learn.



Personally, my proudest moments are the ones I spend making memories with my family. My children, Lilly and Ella, and my husband are the most important people in my life. I was born in Abovian, Armenia. I migrated to this country with my parents and brother in September of 1989. I grew up in Glendale, California and later moved to Northridge. I graduated from CSUN with a Bachelor's degree. Immediately after starting my teaching career, I attended CSLA for my Master's degree in education.

Currently my hobbies are my children. I spend most of my time taking them to dance and swim lessons. When I get a chance, I love attending paint nights. I love to turn on the music and paint pictures connected

to nature. I am slightly obsessed with the island of Kauai. I dream of sipping my Starbucks coffee, and watching the sunset/sunrises of Hanalei Bay.

Recently as my class was reading Wonder, I asked students to write down precepts that they were inspired by. This particular precept/quote resonated with me. I look at it every day, as I enter my classroom and prepare to teach. "SHOOT FOR THE MOON AND IF YOU MISS, YOU WILL STILL BE AMONG THE STARS".

As far as the person who inspires me, that honor goes to my mom. She is the most selfless, giving altruistic person I have ever known. She has and always will be my best friend. I still don't go a day without speaking to my mom.

