

Karla Burkitt has been teaching theater for over 25 years and has been the theater teacher at Franklin School since 1999. Karla earned her BA in Theater from Northwestern College in Orange City, Iowa. In addition to her commitment to Franklin School, she is the artistic director of Laark Productions and teaches and directs 7-12 grade productions at Trinity Christian School. She has directed multiple plays for Laark Productions, Prescott Fine Arts Association, The Blue Rose Theater, Arizona Classical Theater, Park View Middle School and Bradshaw Mountain High School. Her writing credits include many adaptations of plays and children's theater. In 2020 her production company produced a series of Math Concept Videos in cooperation with Franklin Educational Distributions which are available to Franklin students. Mrs. Burkitt and her husband have four great kids, all of whom have attended Franklin Phonetic School.

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Job title: Theater teacher

Education: Bachelor of Arts in Theater, cum laude

Northwestern College, Orange City, Iowa

Experience:

Theater teacher, Franklin Phonetic School 1999- present

Responsibilities include: speech, acting and tech teacher, director, costumer, set design/construction, playwright, and technical direction and execution of multiple productions each year. Grades 1-8

Artistic Director, Laark Productions 2013-present

Responsibilities: company management, cooperating with other non-profits to produce works of theater and video.

Drama Chairperson, Prescott Center for the Arts Scholarship Committee, 1990- 2014

Playwright/Director/Producer working with Blue Rose Theater, Prescott Fine Arts Association and Prescott Christian Church 1988-2013

Theater teacher, Parkview Middle School, 1999-2000

Artistic Associate, Arizona Classical Theater 2002-2008

Responsibilities included: actor, costumer, director, video editor

Theater coach, Bradshaw Mountain High School 1990-1991