

Professional Biography:

Joni Verburg graduated from Grand Canyon University with a Bachelor's Degree in Elementary Education in 2004. After graduation, she taught 3rd grade at Sonoran Sky Elementary in Glendale, AZ for 1 year. She was a stay-at-home mom for 12 years and now has been teaching at Phoenix Christian School PreK-8 since 2018.

Personal Biography:

Joni married Josh Verburg in 2004. They have 3 daughters. Adriana was born in 2006, Kara in 2008, and Kylie in 2011. Adri, Kara, and Kylie spent/will spend all of their elementary school/middle school years at PCS. Adri graduated in the class of 2021, Kara in the class of 2022, and Kylie will be a part of the 8th-grade class of 2025.

Joni was born and raised in Escondido, CA, and attended Calvin Christian School from Kindergarten until she graduated high school in 2000. Joni enjoys spending time with her family, gardening, and traveling.

Philosophical Biography:

Mrs. Verburg's favorite Bible verse is Philippians 4:6-7: "Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus." This powerful verse reminds her of the sovereignty of God and the importance of seeking Him in all circumstances. She is committed to integrating her faith into her classroom practices and instilling biblical values in her students. She strives to create a Christ-centered learning environment where students are encouraged to grow in their knowledge of God's Word, develop critical thinking skills, and cultivate a biblical worldview. She emphasizes the significance of prayer, petition, and thanksgiving as ways to approach challenges and seek God's guidance. She encourages her students to develop a deep reliance on God's providence and to trust in His perfect plan for their lives. Mrs. Verburg strives to model Christ-like behavior and encourages students to reflect God's love in their interactions with others. She is honored to partner with parents in the education of their children, recognizing that education is a collaborative effort between home, church, and school. Together, we can help students develop a strong foundation in their faith, academic excellence, and a deep love for God's Word.