

MEET YOUR TEACHER

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## **Educational Background**

- Bachelor of Art, English, Arizona State University
- Master of Arts, English Literature, Arizona State University

# **Favorite Quote**

"If I pay you to carry me, I am not therefore myself a strong man." CS Lewis

#### Welcome!

Greetings! I taught English at the same public high schools for 27 years, then decided I needed a change. I have a strong devotion to the life of the mind, but also to experience: I lived in Italy for a year in order to learn Italian; I skied, hiked, and biked from Italy to France all in one calendar year; I ride my horse into the sunset whenever possible; cooking great food can be more rewarding than eating it. Still, my favorite room at home is my library.

## **Educational Philosophy**

All students, no matter their innate talent, possess the capacity to reason and can become wise, if they so choose. To seek the Truth, Goodness, and Beauty in all things will result in a balanced and well-lived life. I try to help students to develop and hone these discernment skills.

## **BFHS History and Purpose**

This is my first year at BFHS, so my history starts now...

## What I'm Looking Forward to...

I am looking to truly grow as a teacher. Over the years, I have been blessed to work with wonderful colleagues and have been privileged to teach many bright (and now very successful and happy) students, but there is always more to learn. The Classical curriculum and Socratic method of BFHS will be a welcome challenge and I hope to acquit myself well.