

Ms. Kohar Jarlekian (Geukgeuzian)

Preschool

Director

2020

Ms. Kohar has taken on the role of teaching children since she was a child of seven. Her parents remember how she pretended her toys were students and how she spent hours playing “school.” Ms. Kohar had the opportunity to work with young children, to entertain and teach them in shelters during the long months of bombing in the Lebanese war. She learned and accepted her God given talent and made it a mission to become a teacher. Even as a child, she told everyone that she would be a school director one day. That one day lasted 27 years here in Pasadena at Lake Avenue Church Preschool. Ms. Kohar has taken her mission and calling seriously. Early childhood education and child advocacy have been her lifelong goals and with 30 years of teaching experience and 20 as a director, she has avidly pursued them. Beyond her professional years of service, Ms. Kohar holds a Bachelors of Art foreign degree, Associate of Arts and Science degrees from Pasadena City College, and Site Supervisor credentials through the State of California. She additionally serves as a *Mentor Director* for preschools throughout the San Gabriel Valley as well as a *Mentor Teacher*. She has participated as a member of an ACSI accreditation team and assisted the NAEYC during national workshops.



Ms. Kohar came to Pasadena Christian Preschool in August of 2020. She is humbled and proud to call PCS her new home, where everyone has welcomed her with open arms. She is looking forward to getting to know the PCS community and becoming a long term member of this great preschool.

Outside of teaching, Ms. Kohar is the mother of two adult children. Her son is in his early 30s, lives in Torrance, and works in sales. Her daughter followed in her footsteps and works as a preschool teacher but is taking a break to raise Ms. Kohar’s granddaughter.



Ms. Kohar loves reading, watching movies, and home improvement. Her personal motto in life is to “learn something new every day.”

“My passion is to make a better place for children. A safe, healthy, enjoyable environment that fosters self-confident students, raises future leaders, and compassionate adults.”

— Ms. Kohar

Pictured: Ms. Kohar with one of her first classes.