

Virginia Musante (Director/Improv/Acting) received her BA in Art and Theatre and earned a Secondary Teaching Credential from San Francisco State University. Virginia has been teaching and directing Middle and High School students for over 35 years and was named San Mateo Foster City School District Teacher of the Year in 1990. In 2004, Virginia completed the Masters of Education program with an emphasis in Theatre at Notre Dame de Namur University. Her Master's thesis was research in creating ways to teach students with special needs through Drama . This research also helped prepare her to co-found the SNAP program at DAC (Special Needs Arts Program at Dance Arts Center) in its fifth successful year located in San Carlos. Virginia has taught classes in Children's Theatre for the Theatre Arts Department at Notre Dame de Namur University , where she also teaches classes in Learning Strategies and is part of the Directing team of their annual "Christmas Carol, the Gift" production. Virginia recently retired after 35 years of teaching at Bowditch Middle School in Foster City. She was most remembered for directing the school's annual musical which had become a community tradition.