



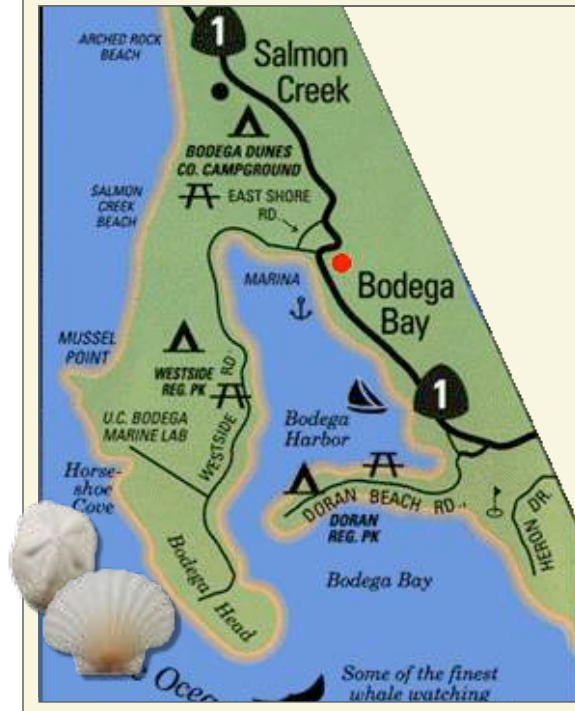
### PARENT TESTIMONIAL

We are amazed with Bodega Bay Elementary School!! Our daughter started attending this year and I cannot say enough about the experienced and caring teachers, the dedicated parent and volunteer community, the one-on-one attention our daughter receives when it comes to reading and mathematics (due to some of the best student to teacher ratios I've heard of), and not to mention the beautiful setting overlooking the Bay and pastures! How lucky we are to have found by far the best K-5 environment for our daughter in West Sonoma

County. If you are considering schools in Sebastopol, Tomales, Occidental, Graton, Point Reyes, Valley Ford or other surrounding areas **YOU MUST CONSIDER BODEGA BAY ELEMENTARY!**

— Parent of Kindergarten student

[Additional reviews and ratings can be viewed at www.greatschools.org](http://www.greatschools.org)



### LOCATION/TOWN INFORMATION

Protected by a bay from the wild whims of the Pacific Ocean, Bodega Bay is a picturesque fishing village on the Sonoma Coast that harbors sights, sounds, and activities — by land or by sea — that calls to the adventurer in all of us.

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# BODEGA BAY

## ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Bodega Bay Elementary School, a small school in the Shoreline Unified School District, is located on a knoll overlooking the bay and the Pacific Ocean. The school serves thirty students in grades kindergarten through fifth grade.



The school was also the only Marin County School to receive a rating of "Honorable Mention" in the competition for California Distinguished School in 2004.



Serving the student population are two experienced teachers and an array of committed support personnel, community volunteers and imaginative programs.

Loretta Smith teaches kindergarten, first, and second grade. She is a seasoned teacher, who has taught for 25 years. Before she became a teacher, she worked for 10 years with the Department of Forestry. She creates a friendly, fun and exciting place to learn. Her class includes a year long theme that uses the local community and environment to teach concepts through real world experiences. She loves to share her enthusiasm for nature, singing, history and good books. Ms. Smith lives in Santa Rosa and in her spare time enjoys hiking, gardening and cooking.

Mr. Josh Risley teaches third, fourth, and fifth grade. He has been teaching for the Shoreline Unified School District for 16 years and previously he taught at a charter school as part of Harmony School District. What he loves about teaching is to make learning fun and meaningful and as a result he says the students are motivated to learn! He uses a thematic approach for teaching and was trained in Project Based learning. He also draws from his experiences in the sciences, teaching overseas in China and Japan, and he has a B.S. degree in wildlife biology. He lives with his wife and two kids in Sebastopol.



# Quick Facts

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◆**School District:** Shoreline Unified

◆**Superintendent:** Tom Stubbs

◆**Grade Levels**

◆K-2: Loretta Smith

◆3-5: Josh Risley

◆**Enrollment:** 28 students

◆**Average Class Size:**

◆K-2: 15:1

◆3-5: 15:1

◆**School Hours:**

◆8:30pm-2:45pm M-F

◆**After School Program Hours:**

◆2:45pm-5:45pm M-F

◆**Kindergarten Enrollment:**

◆**Contact Loretta Smith**

◆**Common Core Standards/information** please visit the Shoreline School District website [www.shorelineunified.org](http://www.shorelineunified.org)

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Top 10 Reasons Bodega Bay Elementary School is the right choice for your family....

1. A safe, nurturing, family-like environment where every student feels valued and is provided with the individual attention needed to excel
2. Academic enrichment programs with dedicated specialists in Art, Theatre, Music, Library, Computer Lab, Spanish, and Physical Education
3. Real world experience and awareness of environment through guest speakers and frequent field trips
4. Lower than average student to teacher ratio supported with highly trained volunteers/support staff
5. CA State funded daily after school program includes homework support and enrichment activities
6. Highly encouraged parent and volunteer participation via active Parent Teacher Association (PTA) and engaged local community volunteers
7. Coastal location and proximity to Bodega Marine Lab allows teachers to build curriculum based on environmental responsibility and care for our world's future
8. Thematic and hands on teaching
9. Two award winning teachers with combined 40 years experience in education; dedicated to keeping curriculum relevant and individualized
10. Location, location, location...fresh air, room to run and views of Bodega Harbor onward to the Pacific Ocean keep children energized and inquisitive