

## The Community

Laytonville is a small town of 2,000 nestled in the heart of the redwood country in northern California. Located along Highway 101 in Mendocino County, it is about twenty miles inland from the coastal communities of Fort Bragg and Mendocino. Laytonville is approximately equidistant from Eureka and San Francisco, and has the modest distinction of having the highest elevation of any town on Highway 101 between Oregon and Mexico (elevation 1,645 feet).



Spectacular coastal mountain scenery surrounds the area, and a number of inspiring redwood parks are close by. One can take advantage of the following activities within an approximate hour's drive during the proper season:

1. Fishing—particularly salmon, steelhead, bass, trout, deep sea and abalone.
2. Hunting—deer, bear, pigs, and birds
3. Water Sports—sailing, water skiing, canoeing, rafting, and swimming

In addition, the surrounding area has tennis courts, golf courses, skate parks, cross country skiing, bicycling and hiking trails. Horseback riding and camping are popular and convenient activities for much of the local citizenry.

Local culture is enriched by the presence of the Cahto Indian Reservation. Meetings and events take place regularly at the Cahto Cultural Center and the Indian children make up approximately 15% of the school population.

Overall, a pioneer spirit pervades the community, and an independent pride asserts itself in the personality of the local population. A rural lifestyle is not for everyone, but for those who yearn for open spaces and the high visibility and opportunity for involvement that comes with a small community, will find Laytonville a wonderful place to work and live.

## Mission Statement

Provide a safe environment in which all of our young people can achieve the knowledge, skills, and attitudes necessary for success now, and in the future, recognizing that varied needs require varied programs;

Insure that our students will be prepared to pursue any avenue of their choosing, secure in the knowledge that they can meet any challenge;

Establish from the earliest grades that students will be guided towards self-fulfillment, a sense of community and service to humanity.

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## Laytonville Unified



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## The District

Laytonville Unified School District is a centerpiece and focal point for the community. They expect and receive much from their schools. The K-12 district is a small one, serving 375 students with 30 certificated staff.

Laytonville Unified is known for its efforts and its success with the following activities:

1. Farm to School Program
2. The County Science Fair
3. Mock Trial
4. Robotics Club
5. The sports program (at least one league championship per year in the last decade)
6. The multiplicity of special programs

The district consists of five schools: Laytonville Elementary (K-8, 240 students including a 6-8 Middle School wing), Branscomb Elementary (K-3 satellite school), Spy Rock Elementary (K-3 satellite school), Laytonville High School (9-12, 125 students), Laytonville Continuation High School (9-12). The average class size at the elementary school is 22 with an instructional assistant in all classrooms.

At the high school, the average class is under 15, and a resource teacher assists students with special needs. Many special programs exist at both sites and a dedicated staff keep our schools an exciting place to work.

The Laytonville Unified School District staff and community have dedicated considerable time and efforts to restructuring our schools to better serve the needs of the students, staff, parents and community. Our goal is to create an environment which nurtures healthy students involved in choice and ownership of their education and who see purpose through hands-on learning and real-life applications.

We believe that all staff members are educators working toward this goal. The specific role of the teacher is one of coach, guide and model.

We believe that parents, teachers and community must function as partners to facilitate the development of the whole child.

We believe that the health of our community is ultimately measured by the degree to which its young people participate in its future. We embrace our diversity and tap community resources to create dynamic learning opportunities for students, staff and community.

The district prides itself on the close, trusting and professional relationship between administration and faculty, and on a friendly and caring nature of student-faculty interactions. In a small town and school system such as this, teaching is a lifestyle, not an 8:00 to 4:00 occupation.

The administration feels its job is to make it as easy as possible for teachers to do the best job possible. The classroom is the heart of the education process.

If you're interested in becoming part of our team, please go to [www.edjoin.org](http://www.edjoin.org) and apply for a position. We want and need the best teachers available.

We hope to hear from you!



## Application Process

To apply for a position within the Laytonville Unified School District please complete an Edjoin online application with the following submittals:

- Cover Letter
- Professional Resume
- 3 Current Letters of Recommendation
- Copies of Official Transcripts
- Copies of Credential(s)

Apply online via [www.edjoin.org](http://www.edjoin.org)

Any questions may be directed to Jenna Crone at (707) 984-6414 or by email to [lusd@mcn.org](mailto:lusd@mcn.org)

### Work Year

185 Work Days per Year

### Additional Compensation

Laytonville Unified School District and the employee contribute to STRS retirement. The District also provides high quality health, vision, and dental insurance for employees and dependents. Additionally, Laytonville Unified School District matches up to \$500 per year for tenured teachers' 403b contributions.

### Equal Opportunity Employer

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