# Jefferson Elementary

Est. 1874

## Principal's Message for the 2026-27 School Year

Welcome to Jefferson Elementary School!

For more than 150 years, Jefferson has served this rural community in South San Benito County. We are one of six "Rural Schools," and generations of families have learned and grown up at Jefferson and at the other small schools in our county.

Currently we have eight students from grades TK to 6th grade, which could change throughout the year as families move in or out of our attendance area. We believe that our small size is one of our greatest strengths here at Jefferson. Our students receive small-group and individualized attention from our wonderful instructional staff, teacher Mrs. Wirz and instructional aide Miss Miramontes.

We hold strong academic expectations for our students in all the school subjects, especially literacy, mathematics, and foundational skills. Our instructional program is structured and up-to-date with recently purchased textbooks and materials. Our older students are able to experience leadership and mentoring roles, while our younger students build confidence while learning beside them.

Before my retirement, I served as a School Principal in many schools in San Benito County, including Southside, Sacred Heart, and many sites in the Hollister School District. My grown children all attended schools in our county, and one of my granddaughters recently started kindergarten at one of the Hollister schools.

I was honored to be asked to serve as the part-time Interim Principal here at Jefferson for the first three months of the instructional year, and to help continue the legacy that this wonderful little school offers.

Here's to an awesome 2026-27 school year at Jefferson School!

"Mr. O-B"
Chuck Obeso-Bradley