

# Mari Lynch Dehmler

## Educational Support for Families

Whether suddenly homeschooling due to COVID-19, or *anytime*, contact me to learn how my experience can help.

Sliding-scale rates based on your ability to pay; no proof of your income is required. Please feel free to contact me even if your available funds are currently sparse.

## Services by Phone, Email, FaceTime, Skype, and More

**For children**, with parent present in the home (or hospital): stories, reading, music, math, more

**For teens**, by arrangement of parent: writing coaching and other support

**For parents**: consulting, coaching, and more

*For details about this special service,  
phone anytime, 831.375.6278 or  
email [mari@marilynch.com](mailto:mari@marilynch.com).*

### Summary of relevant background

- Alumna of Southern Illinois University, President's Scholar.
- As an instructor and parent, experienced with public schools, private schools, homeschools, and unschools.
- Writing coach for middle and high school aged youth, including for award-winning participants in National Steinbeck Center Young Authors Program and for youth formerly incarcerated at Monterey County Probation Department Youth Center.
- Studied regularly for twenty years with master communications facilitator and instructor Selwa Said.
- Owner of Fine Wordworking, writing, editing, consulting, and related services: <https://marilynch.com>.
- Founder of award-winning Bicycling Monterey website <https://bikemonterey.org> and projects, provided as a public service.
- Experienced homeschool teacher for preschool, kindergarten, grades 2-8; facilitator and part-time teacher for high school.
- Experienced piano instructor, through first five years, using Schaum and other methods.
- Experienced home-based business owner, including throughout all years of parenting my own children, now adults.
- Served Monterey Peninsula Unified School District as site council member, reading tutor, and singing instructor.
- Served as Monterey County contact for HomeSchool Association of CA.
- Served as presenter and discussion facilitator on homeschooling at Parents' Place, Pacific Grove, CA.
- Created and led Earth Circle, a parent-child gathering, and numerous other earthkeeping/sustainability and singing activities.

### Waldorf education experience

- **As an instructor.** "Letting Go of Shoulds—Waldorf with Flexibility." "Reverence and Rhythm: Sacred Purpose and Simplifying Life." "Circle Time for Ages 7-10." "Singing with Children." Presenter, panelist, discussion facilitator, and song leader, including at the following conferences: 2nd Annual North American Conference on Waldorf Methods and Homeschooling, Ann Arbor, MI; 6th Annual National Conference on Waldorf Education and Homeschooling, 2nd Annual West Coast Conference on Waldorf Methods and Homeschooling, 1st West Coast Conference on Waldorf Methods and Homeschooling, Fair Oaks, CA.
- **As a student.** Completed teacher training courses including Introduction to Waldorf Education; The Art of Teaching Grades 1, 2, 3; Waldorf Approach in the Public School Classroom—Grades 4-6, at Rudolf Steiner College, Fair Oaks, CA. Completed intensive teacher training seminar in The Twelve-Year Change with Dorit Winter et al, Speech with Sibylle Eichstaedt, Watercolor Painting with Donald Hall and Jennifer Thomson, through San Francisco Teacher Training Program satellite.