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SMMUSD Holds Meeting to Give Update on Malibu Campus Plan

The Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District is holding a meeting where students, parents and community members can receive an update and provide input on the Malibu Middle School and Malibu High School Campus Planning process.

When: Sept. 18, 2019

Time: 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Where: Juan Cabrillo Elementary School Multi-Purpose Room
30237 Morning View Drive, Malibu, 90265

The current plan, which is the result of spring community meetings, will be shown and discussed. The identified plan separates middle and high schools on campus with joint use of the performing arts center, fields, courts, and the pool. This plan features a large U-shaped drop-off quad designed to support improved traffic circulation along Morning View Drive.

The meeting will be town-hall style, with a presentation followed by audience questions and feedback. District officials and representatives from LPA, the architects leading the campus plan process, will speak.

The Malibu Middle School and High School Campus Plan will guide the removal of old buildings and the construction of the new campus over the next six to eight years. The new campus will be partially funded by Measure M, approved by Malibu voters last fall.

As part of the planning process, a survey was conducted of Malibu students, parents, staff and community members asking, chiefly, what should be prioritized. Those results went into the development of the plan.

Upon review and recommendations by the Malibu Facility District Advisory Committee and if the Board of Education, after considering it at a future school board meeting, approves the campus plan, the district will hire a project architect to begin designing the first phase.

A new middle school building opened this school year, featuring 12 classrooms, three sets of restrooms, an elevator, stairs and associated improvements. The classrooms include LED lighting, heating and air conditioning, floor-to-ceiling windows, 21st century learning technology and new easy-to-move flexible furniture to allow for many classroom set-ups. A combined administration, library and science lab / classroom building is under construction and scheduled to open in the fall of 2020. These projects are funded by Measures BB and ES.

Questions about these meetings can be directed to Barbara Chiavelli, Sr. Design Manager, at bchiavelli@smmusd.org.

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