

Spring Report



SANTA MONICA-MALIBU UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT



Update on Voter-Approved Local Funding Supporting Malibu Schools



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Community Update on Local Education Funding



Letter from Superintendent

Dear Parents and Neighbors,



It is an honor and pleasure to serve as the Superintendent of the Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District (SMMUSD). As we come close to the end of an eventful school year, I am proud to report our schools and communities are as strong as ever, thanks to the support of our teachers, staff, parents and students. In the aftermath of the devastating Woolsey fire last year, that community strength was apparent as we came together in support of the many school community members who were directly impacted.

I want to extend a big thank you for your overwhelming support of Measure M in Malibu to improve our schools. Measure M was approved by 71% — a testament to your unwavering dedication to supporting our students and ensuring graduates continue to achieve some of the state's highest honors and go on to attend top colleges.

The passage of Measure M marks the first Malibu-specific voter-approved source of local school funding, allowing us to take the first essential steps to re-making Malibu High and Malibu Middle Schools as well as make essential repairs and upgrades to our elementary schools. The new construction and modernizations will support 21st-century learning, ensure student safety and encourage campus-wide sustainability practices. A local Measure M Citizens Oversight Committee will review all Measure M expenditures, with annual public reports.

This brochure provides updates on progress being made at our schools, as well as plans for the future. Measure M expenditures will be guided by community feedback. The District held events in April and May for feedback on the Malibu Campus Plan. We will continue to update you on our progress!

I welcome your continued feedback as we continue to improve our schools. Please visit www.smmusd.org/superintendent to get in touch.

Sincerely,

Dr. Ben Drati
Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District Superintendent



Malibu community members provide input to the Malibu Campus Plan at public input meeting this spring

Malibu School Improvements to Support Student Success, Safety and College Readiness

Reimagined Malibu Middle and High Schools on Horizon
With the passage of Measure M last year — a \$195 million bond measure dedicated to Malibu schools only — planning for specific Malibu school improvement projects is well underway. Reimagined Malibu High and Malibu Middle schools are at the top of the list, as well as the merging of two elementary schools into one.

Two Malibu Elementary Schools Combine
The District will be combining the school communities of Juan Cabrillo Elementary and Point Dume Science School on the current campus of Point Dume beginning in the 2019-20 school year.

21st-Century Safe, Modern Classrooms
The end result of these projects will bring 21st-century classrooms, science labs and more hands-on learning to Malibu students in clean, safe and engaging learning environments. The projects will integrate environmentally sustainable practices, saving energy costs.

Measure M funds will also:

- Complete heating and air conditioning, window, paint, floor and door improvements
- Create updated classrooms, labs and modern facilities to support hands-on science, math, engineering, technology
- Install solar and alternative energy/sustainability projects to save energy costs
- Upgrade fire alarms and security systems



The Malibu High Building E replacement construction is underway.



School Safety and Security as a Top Priority

Our District is working to ensure students attend safe, secure learning environments each day. In the next year, we are working to:

- Improve student safety and security systems
- Add security cameras to the perimeters of school campuses
- Require visitors to check in and run their ID through an identity check



For more information or any questions, please visit www.smmusd.org/superintendent

SMMUSD Students Stand Out

Student Achievement Shines at Cal Poly Robotics Tournament

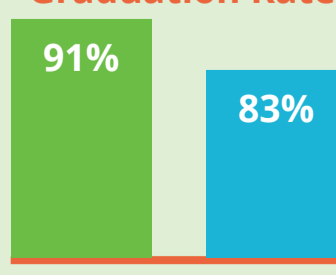
At the 2019 California Central Coast VEX "Turning Point" Tournament, the Malibu High School 42 other teams from 19 middle and high schools across California, the Sharks earned the judges' recognition, the honor that is presented to a team that the judges determine deserves special recognition.

In addition to learning valuable engineering skills, students in this program gain life skills such as teamwork, perseverance, communication, collaboration, project management and critical thinking.



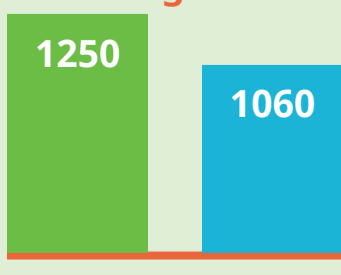
Santa Monica and Malibu high schools rank in the top 5% of schools in the state and nation, according to U.S. News & World Report 2019 Best High Schools. Our graduation rates and test scores continue to outperform averages in the county, state and nationwide.

Graduation Rate



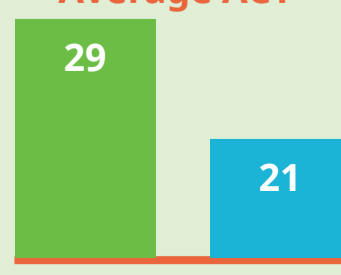
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