MALIBU MIDDLE SCHOOL MONDAY MESSAGE – OCTOBER 6, 2025

Save the date!

MMS Halloween Dance will be Friday, October 24th

SCHOOL NEWS AND INFORMATION:

AFTER SCHOOL TUTORING STARTS TOMORROW!: MMS will start after school tutoring on October 7th (Tuesday) with Mrs. Ryan helping with ELA and Social Studies, and October 9th (Thursday) Mr. Mora will do math tutoring from 2:45-3:45pm. Tutoring will take place in the glass classroom next to the library. No need to sign up, just drop in!

GET YOUR ASB STICKER NOW! Middle School ASB Stickers are on sale for \$55 and gets you access to all Malibu High School hosted sporting events, Middle School dances, 10% off student store merchandise and more! Buy yours from the Student Store or on the website.

GO-METRO TAP CARDS: Students with a TAP card need to update their eligibility codes. Please see Mrs. Jolly in the Middle School Main Office. **Be sure to keep your TAP card!** You will receive a new code, not a new card.

REFLECTIONS ART PROGRAM CONTEST: The 2025–26 Reflections theme is "I Belong". Students are encouraged to express themselves through visual art, music, dance, film, writing, or photography. Deadline: October 20 Submit online at

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScTJCXtt5PXUb7y50gxpMZu2FQKKFeH2h 28kiy7Q8r7ix4S8Q/viewform?usp=sharing&ouid=104495988650991119312

Learn more: ptsamalibu.membershiptoolkit.com

FRIENDLY FACES VOLUNTEER APPLICATION: Interested in becoming a MMS/MHS Friendly Faces Volunteer? Here's how to apply:

- 1. Download the Volunteer Application Form: <u>Download Form</u>
- 2. Complete the form as a Level I volunteer (include email, phone, and group name on page 1; sign pages 2 & 4).
- 3. Email the completed form to: djohnson@smmusd.org
- 4. Approval You'll be notified via email once approved (may take up to 2 weeks). More info: ptsamalibu.membershiptoolkit.com

SMMUSD SECOND ANNUAL PARENT ACADEMY: Come learn about several topics such as College Pathways, understanding IEPs, 504s and more. Free childcare available, Breakfast and lunch provided. All sessions will be available in English and Spanish.

WHEN: Saturday, October 18, 2025

WHERE: Lincoln Middle School

TIME: 9 am - 3 pm

THIS WEEK AT MMS:

PRN COFFEE & DONUTS: The SMMUSD Parent Resource Network of Malibu is hosting a Coffee & Donuts meetup for all parents of Special Education students, or students with IEPs. This is an opportunity to meet other parents, share resources, and support one another! Malibu PRN representatives, plus special guest Melodi Johnson, Special Ed Coordinator, will be there to answer any questions about the Special Ed program, and the IEP process. The PRN meetups, held once a month, are a great way to meet parents who may share your experiences. Please join us at MHS Room #233 Wednesday, October 8, 9-10am. A zoom link will be available. Please direct any questions to denise.prn.smmusd@gmail.com

PTSA EXECUTIVE MEETING: The next PTSA Executive Meeting will take place on Thursday, October 9th at 9 am.

POMS: The next POMS meeting (Parents of Middle Schoolers) will be **Friday, October 10**th at 9:00 am in the Parent Center.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

FALL CSF/CJSF DRIVE – California (Junior) Scholarship Federation is a state-accredited honor society that recognizes California students for academic scholarship and service. Current 8-12th Graders may apply for fall CSF/CJSF. The Fall CSF/CJSF Drive is the **week of October 13 - 17.** Your counselors will be set up at a table during lunchtime near the cafeteria every day during that week. Fill out a CSF/CJSF application (available at the table) and bring your \$5 membership fee. Qualification is based on your JUNE grades from last semester. Any questions, please see your counselor.

ARTS ANGELS: The next Arts Angels meeting is scheduled for **Thursday, October 16**th **at 9:00 am** in the Parent Center. Arts Angels is calling for new and active members - whether they have a student who is talented in visual and/or performing arts or are artistically talented themselves, they would love the help.

GREAT SHAKEOUT: Our first emergency drill of the school year will take place on **Thursday, October 16**th when we participate in the Great Shakeout.

PSTA GENERAL MEETING: The next PTSA General Meeting will be **Thursday**, **October 23rd at 9:00 am** in the Parent Center.

HALLOWEEN DANCE: Malibu Middle School will hold its Halloween Dance on Friday, October 24th. Stay tuned for the spooky details!

COMMUNITY INFORMATION:

SUPPORT MALIBU SCHOOLS - AND HAVE A BLAST DOING IT! There are so many fun ways to support the Malibu Education Foundation this fall to ensure *all* of our schools have the staff and programs needed this year, and into the future:

- 1. Malibu Moves SAT OCT 25 & SUN OCT 26: All ages are invited to register to run or walk, and volunteer at Zuma Beach with MEF at the Kids Run, Beer Garden (21+), or VIP Charity Lounge. This event moves our mission forward.
 - Registration: <u>malibumoves.com</u>

Learn more & get involved at: www.MalibuEducationFoundation.org

PTSA DIRECTORY, VOLUNTEER AND MEMBERSHIP FORM: Parents (and students) are highly encouraged to participate in our PTSA. Our PTSA is an important resource for parents seeking to stay connected with Malibu Middle and other parents. Go online to complete this process/form to be included in the PTSA Student/Staff Directory, to volunteer at Malibu Middle and to join the PTSA. PTSA related questions?

Want to find out more or get involved? Please email us at PTSAmalibu@gmail.com. Please join today! Go to www.PTSAmalibu.membershiptoolkit.com

DONATE TO THE SHARK FUND: The Shark Fund is the primary fundraising organization for Malibu Middle and Malibu High Schools, financially supporting PTSA, Athletic Booster Club and Arts Angels to create a robust academic, athletic, and arts community for our students.

- 100% of your donations stay at Malibu Middle & High School
- We are seeking 100% participation from parents, with a recommended donation of \$1,500 per student, but every donation counts.

The Shark Fund is a parent run organization and our grant commitments this year total \$325,000. Please donate today: https://thesharkfundmalibu.org/ If you have questions or would like to get involved, contact us at: thesharkfundorg@gmail.com.

BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB OF MALIBU TEEN CENTER:

Boys & Girls Club of Malibu is committed to youth and community resilience by providing a supportive and inclusive environment where children can thrive academically, socially, and emotionally. Through exceptional customer service and impactful after-school programs, we focus on academic success, character development, and health and wellness, catering to the unique needs of Malibu's youth. By addressing the needs of families, we foster a sense of safety, support, and community engagement, promoting a brighter future for all!

BGCM Academic Year Enrollment is LIVE! Aug 21-June 11

Visit <u>bgcmalibu.org</u> to learn more and enroll. For grades incoming 6th-12th. BGCM is committed to providing a curriculum that will include a variety of activities geared towards fun, educational, and social experiences. Programs include: Kindness Is Free, Manners Matter, Brent's Club, Managers in Training, Career Launch, social emotional wellness, STEM based projects, arts & crafts, and more!

BGCM Wellness Center & Social Support Offerings

We're thrilled to announce the newly renovated BGCM Wellness Center, located on the campus of Malibu High School! This beautiful new space was thoughtfully designed to support the mental health and wellness of Malibu students, SMMUSD faculty and staff, parents and families, and more. We continue to provide and expand access to essential resources, offering a welcoming environment where wellness, connection, and care come first. The Boys & Girls Club of Malibu Wellness Center operates remotely and also in-person to provide no-cost mental health counseling and social support services to all in the community. Visit https://bgcmalibu.org/wellness-center/ to learn more or to request services for you/your teen.

Brent's Club on Campus

Brent's Club is a place where peers come together to support one another, learn about living healthy and drug-free lifestyles, and build leadership skills for the future. Through fun activities and open conversations, members strengthen friendships, explore positive choices, and take an active role in creating a safe, supportive school community. Next

meeting: Monday, September 29 — during lunch (lunch is included!) For more information, contact: hannahmatheson@bgcmalibu.org

Johnny Strange Legacy Inspire Skate Program

Join us for action-packed skateboarding sessions designed to build skills, confidence, and community through athletics, education, and creative skate activities! Available to 6th–12th graders. Participants will meet every Monday from 3:30–4:30 PM at the BGCM Teen Center. The program will be broken up into two, 4-week sessions with the first session running from October 6th–October 27th and the second from November 3rd–November 24th. We encourage skaters to provide their own skateboards, helmets and safety equipment, however, BGCM has equipment to lend if needed. Registration fee is \$100 per session. There are limited spots available, maximum of 5 participants per session. To register or learn more, email stephengreene@bgcmalibu.org.

BGCM Disaster Recovery Services

The Boys & Girls Club of Malibu Disaster Recovery Center (DRC) is supporting Palisades Fire survivors with long-term recovery services by *appointment only*. Our Care Coordination Team is here for you. Moving forward, think of us as your partners through this journey, we are here to support this process. Here's How We Can Help:

- One-on-one guidance: You'll be paired with a dedicated Care Coordinator
- <u>Personalized recovery planning</u>: Together, we'll identify what you need most right now and ongoing
- Resource connection: We'll help you access the latest available support
- Advocacy: We're here to make sure you're not navigating this alone

To schedule or update an appointment, please email <u>drc@bgcmalibu.org</u>. *Please expect to hear from someone on our team within 2-5 business days*.

Run Malibu Half Marathon, 5K & Kids Race

On November 15th and 16th, wellness, community, and endurance come together at Run Malibu. Runners of all levels will be treated to stunning views along the Pacific Coast Highway! Featuring the Dolphin Dash Kids Race, which will be set entirely within the beautiful California State University Channel Islands campus, and the traditional Half Marathon and 5K. *Learn more and register here*: www.runmalibu.com