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**SMMUSD and SMC Boards to hold Special Joint Meeting
on September 11, 2017**

The Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District Board of Education and the Santa Monica College Board of Trustees will hold its annual joint meeting on Monday, September 11, 2017, at 5:30 pm in the Santa Monica High School cafeteria, 601 Pico Blvd., Santa Monica, CA.

During this special joint meeting, staff from both SMMUSD and SMC will report on the outcomes of activities related to executing the objectives of the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU), which the two districts entered into in May 2007. The key elements of the MOU include the dual enrollment program, summer programs for high school students, shared use of facilities, and the collaboration and articulation of career and technical education programs. Along with collaborating on the objectives of the MOU, staff work together to enhance existing programs and create new opportunities for students.

During this study session, the participants will examine the ongoing collaborative work to support equity, access, success, and college readiness for students in the district. The discussion will focus on the engagement between the Santa Monica College counseling faculty and the Santa Monica High School counselors and the ways in which this partnership supports student success and promotes opportunities for college readiness.

The SMMUSD Board of Education and SMC Board of Trustees will also be asked to adopt a joint resolution to adopt the joint all-hazard mitigation plan between the two organizations. The plan identifies and evaluates specific strategies and develops a sustained course of action to reduce or eliminate long-term risks to people and property from both natural and technological hazards and their effects.

Finally, architects and SMMUSD staff will briefly update both governing bodies on current status of the John Adams Middle School performing arts theater project, including the planned scope and layout of the project and potential future phases.

The agenda for the special meeting will be posted on the district's website:
<http://www.smmusd.org/board/meetings.html>.

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