

SANTA MONICA-MALIBU UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

October 23, 2020

Superintendent's Message: Town Hall Reminder for Oct. 26th - Elementary Focus

Dear Parents, Guardians, Staff and Community Members.

Please join us for our second virtual town hall webinar meeting to learn about our reopening plans on Monday, October 26 at 6 p.m. This town hall will have an elementary school focus. If you missed the secondary-focused town a hall on October 21, you can view the recording here, Access Passcode: ND5sBz.i.

Zoom webinar link for October 26 town hall:

https://zoom.us/j/94920613876?pwd=OENmRUFJdUN3L2syWTINbWJUYUEyQT09

(meeting ID: 949 2061 3876; passcode: U2D7z6)

Or call in phone number: 669-900-9128; passcode: 648481 (same meeting ID.)

During the town hall meeting, audience members will be able to submit questions to the panelists through the Q & A feature. Panelists may answer questions live or they may be added to the planned Frequently Asked Questions webpage currently in development. Given the time constraints and length and detail of this presentation, we will only be able to answer questions for 30-40 minutes following the presentation.

The presentation for the town hall describing the two reopening models for consideration is here: English Spanish.

This session will be recorded for future viewing, in case you are unable to watch live. Both recording will be posted on our school reopening webpage: www.smmusd.org/School2020-21, and accessible from your school website in the What's Happening section on the home page.

We are working on a Frequently Asked Questions document as a result of questions from various stakeholder group meetings this month, town hall meetings and Let's Talk submissions, and will post them online when complete.

Our school board will hear a presentation on reopening, including all the required safety measures we are taking in preparation of in-person learning. The school board will finalize the decision regarding reopening models at a special board meeting scheduled for Nov. 12 at 5 p.m. via Zoom. Board meeting agendas are posted <u>online</u> a few days before each meeting.

Parents, staff, students and community members may submit comments through our <u>Let's Talk</u> portal, clicking on the *school reopening input* button. We will have a school reopening survey for parents, employees and secondary school students following the two town hall meetings to gather your feedback on the reopening models and identify your preference.

Thank you to our parents and staff for your continued support of our students during this challenging time.

For COVID-19 information, testing sites, health FAQs and Halloween celebration guidelines visit: www.smmusd.org/Coronavirus.

Sincerely,

Dr. Ben Drati, Superintendent