

A message from MALIBU MIDDLE SCHOOL

MONDAY MESSAGE: April 12, 2021

SCHOOL NEWS AND INFORMATION:

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MESSAGE FROM DR. DRATI REGARDING REOPENING PLANS: We are excited to announce our planned full reopening dates. Secondary students will have a week of hybrid as a transition the week of April 19 and secondary students will return full-time on April 26. Distance learning will continue to be an option. To read Dr. Drati's entire message with additional information, please click [HERE](#).

SMMUSD FAQ'S REGARDING REOPENING PLANS: The school district compiled and shared FAQ's this week regarding reopening plans that can be [found HERE](#).

MESSAGE FROM MS.ANDINO INCLUDING MMS CALENDAR/SCHEDULES: Site specific information including a calendar of dates, bell schedules, and additional information can be found [HERE](#).

TRANSPORTATION: At this point, no regular/general education transportation will be provided for the remainder of the current school year, unless all physical distancing is

no longer required. The maximum capacity on our 78 passenger buses is only 12 students under current restrictions. We are providing special education transportation only at this time.

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES/EVENTS: Students in either program (full return or distance learning) will continue to be able to participate in on-campus extracurricular activities and our end of the year events.

UPON RETURN: After spring break, as we move into this next phase, it is extremely important that all in the school community comply with all new health and safety protocols, guidelines, and policies deemed necessary by the school district. Students must follow **physical distancing guidelines, mask wearing**, all posted signs, and directions from any staff. Parents will monitor their child's health on a DAILY basis by completing the **health self-screening** at home before sending their child to school. The QR code can be found on the school [website](#) or you may access the questionnaire using this [link](#).

UPDATED HEALTH SCREENING LINK: We ask that all staff, parents and students coming to campus utilize the health screening link to answer the health screening questions and show the green screen with the current date prior to entering campus. Please follow the directions linked [HERE](#) (Spanish version [HERE](#)) to download the "Beach Cities Health Screening Tool" to your mobile device. (You can also find it on the top, middle of the SMMUSD app store.) Please remember:

- Do not come to campus if you are not feeling well!
- Do not gather on campus. Maintain 6 feet of distance at all times!
- Always wear a mask when on campus!

REMINDERS TRAVEL ADVISORY: Per LADPH Guidelines, if you have travelled outside of the state and/or country, the county asks that you isolate at home for 10 days, even if you are fully vaccinated. This is due to the various strains of COVID that are circulating. Any student who travels during the spring break period will not be able to participate in on-campus activity including athletics and Plus activities for 10 days.

LA COUNTY GUIDELINES: Parents may be interested in reviewing the most recent LA County Department of Public Health Guidelines regarding Schools found [HERE](#). With conditions changing, after spring break, as shared in Dr. Drati's letter there are plans for secondary students to return in a hybrid model 4/19 and full time 4/26. The following words of caution from LADPH are important: *"Los Angeles County continues to experience substantial rates of COVID-19 transmission, and the danger COVID-19 poses to our community has not subsided. Vaccinations are occurring as quickly as*

supplies allow, but most people in our community are not vaccinated. New variants of the virus that may spread more easily or cause more severe illness are present in our county; however, their impact on our local pandemic is largely unknown. The LA County Department of Public Health urges businesses, entities, and residents to continue exercising caution even as certain restrictions are lifted. Just because certain activities are allowed or certain reopening protocols are revised, that does not mean that those activities are “safe”.

COVID 19 TESTING: SMMUSD has established a COVID-19 Surveillance Testing Program. This is a voluntary program, and we are partnering with Valencia Branch Labs to conduct primarily asymptomatic surveillance testing. The recommended frequency is once per week for those who choose to participate. Testing is available for SMMUSD staff and students who are participating in on-campus programs; it is not open to the public. To learn more, click [HERE](#). The testing program may expand given the reopening plans and work towards indoor athletics.

MALIBU MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL PTSA HONORARY SERVICE AWARD NOMINATIONS ARE OPEN! The Honorary Service Award Selection Committee requests that members of Malibu Middle and High School PTSA assist in the selection of deserving recipients for recognition at our awards event. Nominated individuals or organization who have made significant contributions to the wellbeing of children, youth or families in this school and/or community can be considered for this award as well as current members, officers and teachers. You can find the nomination form [HERE](#).

INDEPENDENT STUDY PHYSICAL EDUCATION (ISPE) APPLICATIONS: ISPE Applications for the 2021-2022 school year are now available on the MHS Website ([HERE](#).) Applications are due on April 16, 2021 by 4:00 pm. **NO LATE APPLICATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED.** Applications may be returned three ways:

- IN PERSON – Drop off in the Administration Office (2nd Floor of the New Building. Enter off of Morning View Drive.)
- E-MAIL – e-mail your application to Athletic Director, Chris Neier at cneier@smmusd.org.
- MAIL – Mail to: ISPE Application, Malibu Middle School, 30215 Morning View Dr., Malibu 90265 (be sure to mail it with enough time to arrive before the deadline!)

NOTE: It is important to note that state requirements for ISPE for middle school have recently changed. To remain in compliance, students are now required to complete six unit areas of study along with their minutes and participation in their activity. This will require additional time and participation beyond their sport. Students will be assigned to an ISPE teacher who will assign the unit work, collect minutes, and oversee their participation in the sport. They will not

have to attend a class session with the ISPE teacher, however, the teacher will invite them to a virtual "google" classroom where they will receive the units/curriculum, due dates, and updates.

ORDER YOUR YEARBOOK: This year's yearbook will be unlike any other! Purchase a yearbook and have a record of how amazingly resilient our kids are. Yearbooks are on sale [HERE](#) and this year, unlike any other, dedication pages are open to ALL students. You get the chance to show how proud you are!

AFTER SCHOOL TUTORING WILL RETURN AFTER THE BREAK: After school math tutoring is available virtually on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays. Here are the links and times:

- [Mondays: Cindy Smith \(Math\) 3-4pm](#)
- [Wednesdays: Brian Corrigan \(Math\) 3-4pm](#)
- [Thursdays: Nahla Seikali's \(Math\) 3-4pm](#)

ISSUES WITH CHROMEBOOK?: Parents or students **MUST USE THIS LINK** and complete the Chromebook Incident Report in order to request Chromebook exchange or repair, and all defective parts must be turned in. If the issue is that the device does not power on or charge, please follow the troubleshooting directions at this link: bit.ly/SMMDLP. Questions? Please email: mmssupport@smmusd.org.

OUR LIBRARY HAS MOVED! INSTRUCTIONS FOR TEXTBOOKS: We are thrilled to announce the Malibu Middle/High School Library is in the process of moving into its home in the new Main Building! **If you need a textbook, please email Sarah Ryan at s.ryan@smmusd.org to make arrangements.** We cannot wait to share our new space with you!

MALIBU MIDDLE/HIGH OFFICE HOURS - The school office is closed, except for essential activities or by appointment. We will open for limited office hours primarily to answer phone calls between 9:00 a.m. -2:00 p.m. Monday- Thursday and 9:00 a.m. -1:00 p.m. on Friday. Email continues to be the best way to reach our school staff during this time of distance learning. All visitors to campus must sign-in, wear a mask, and will have their temperature taken upon arrival.

Questions about:

Student Store: msslawter@smmusd.org

Textbooks: s.ryan@smmusd.org and acrilley@smmusd.org

Schedule Changes: enickerson@smmusd.org

Copy of Schedule: sanderson@smmusd.org

Registration Packet: sanderson@smmusd.org

Enrollment: bsoloway@smmusd.org

General Questions: taniajolly@smmusd.org

Technical Support: mmssupport@smmusd.org

Zoom link issues: Email the teacher directly. [Staff Directory](#)

INFORMATION: For the most up-to-date information, please visit our school website at [Malibu Middle / Homepage](#) and follow us on Twitter [@MalibuMiddle](#)

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ATHLETIC BOOSTERS CLUB: The next ABC meeting will be Thursday, April 15th at 9:00 am.

END OF GRADING PERIOD 5: Friday, April 16th is the end of grading period 5. Progress reports will be mailed home the following week.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

SCHOOL SITE COUNCIL MEETING: Our next meeting of the School Site Council is **Thursday, April 22nd at 3:00pm** via zoom. Link and agenda can be found on the [SSC Page](#) (updated shortly.)

COMMUNITY RESOURCES:

GREAT GLOBAL CLEANUP 2021: Join in the Great Global Cleanup 2021 during the month of April. Check the interactive map and join a group near you or register you own! Click [HERE](#) for more information.

ADULT EDUCATION CENTER: Learn about all the different offerings available through the Adult Education Center [here](#).

BOYS AND GIRL CLUB OF MALIBU AND THE WELLNESS CENTER:

The Boys & Girls Club of Malibu aims to provide a fun, safe, and creative environment for all Malibu youth to thrive, find support through positive mentorship, develop important life skills, and receive social and emotional support. We are currently offering virtual programs for teens to use as a social, developmental, and supplemental tool. Current offerings include:

- Boys & Girls Club of Malibu Wellness Center invites students grades 6th-12th to join us on **Mondays at 3 PM for Improv-ology**, a virtual workshop focusing on student empowerment via improvised arts. Students will be participating in freestyle, imperfect acting, dancing, singing, public speaking, and more. **Sessions run weekly until May 10th.** Register Here: <http://bit.ly/BGCM-Improvology> Zoom info will be provided after registration. For additional questions, please reach out to wellnessinfo@bgcmalibu.org
- We are working closely with MMS and MHS to reopen our Teen Center in conjunction with the schools, to a higher capacity. **We will continue to communicate any changes as information becomes available.** Keep an eye out for our Club e-newsletter & continue checking our website for updates & enrollment info www.bgcmalibu.org
- **Wellness Center & Social Support Offerings** The Boys & Girls Club of Malibu Wellness Center operates remotely and **now also in-person** to provide no-cost social support & mental health counseling to all in the community. Visit <https://bgcmalibu.org/wellness-center/> to learn more or to request services for you/your child!

*To contact the Club please email info@bgcmalibu.org

For updates on Club news & events, subscribe to BGCM E-Newsletter [Here](#)!