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SMMUSD Holds One More Meeting to Share Malibu Campus Plan and Get Community Feedback

The Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District is holding the second of two meetings where students, parents and community members are invited to participate in the Malibu Middle School and Malibu High School Campus Planning process.

When: May 1, 2019

Time: 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Where: Juan Cabrillo Elementary School Multi-Purpose Room
30237 Morning View Drive, Malibu, 90265

At the first of these meetings, held at Cabrillo on April 24, four different campus plans were presented and discussed. Those in attendance expressed the most interest in a plan that would separate middle and high schools with the performing arts center and a large U-shaped drop-off quad, which people lauded for the potential to reduce traffic along Morning View Drive. However, we still need your input.

The meetings are town-hall style, with presentations followed by interactive activities to gather input. Plenty of time for questions and feedback is included. The content of the May 1 meeting will be identical to the first. Attendees will hear from representatives of LPA, the architects leading the campus plan process, and district officials. The Malibu Middle School and High School Campus Plan will guide the removal of old buildings and the construction of the new campus over the next 6-8 years. The new campus will be partially funded by Measure M, approved by voters in November.

As part of the planning process, a survey was conducted of current Malibu students, parents, staff and community members asking, among other things, what should be prioritized. Portions of that research, as well as the results of the ongoing Campus Planning Committee meetings, will be discussed.

After gathering feedback from many stakeholders, the campus plan architects should have a final concept or concept options this fall. Upon review and recommendations by the Malibu Facility District Advisory Committee and approval of the campus plan by the Board of Education, the district will hire a project architect to begin designing the first phase.

Construction is under way on campus for a new Middle School building with 12 classrooms, planned to open in August 2019 and a combined administration, library and science lab / classroom building to hopefully open in the fall of 2020. These projects are funded by Measures BB and ES.

Questions about these meetings can be directed to Barbara Chiavelli, Sr. Design Manager, at bchiavelli@smmusd.org.

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