

School Facilities: Current Needs and Past Accomplishments

The Santa Monica — Malibu Unified District has made significant improvements to its school facilities with the previous general obligation bonds; however, there remains a significant need to repair, modernize and replace old structures — many of which are over 80 years old — to create learning environments that meet today's educational and safety standards.

Additional funding is needed at all sites to continue our progress toward improving our schools:

- Improve security and safety on each campus, including systems that deter active shooters
- Repair leaky roofs, deteriorating electrical and plumbing infrastructure and add air conditioning where still needed
- Repair, add and upgrade restrooms
- Replace old portable classrooms that have far surpassed their anticipated life with permanent classrooms that meet today's safety and learning standards and are energy efficient
- Construct more science, technology, engineering, arts and math labs, and upgrade classrooms and outdoor learning areas to support 21st-century, collaborative and project-based teaching and learning
- Modernize outdated classrooms to create 21st-century learning environments for all students
- Improve playgrounds to increase safety and access

Pre-K through 5th Grade Schools:

Measure ES (approved in 2012) helped to modernize elementary classrooms and spaces: five campuses have been completed, three are under construction and the last one is in design. This project includes new doors, windows, flooring, paint, fire alarms, and accessibility upgrades. The learning spaces needed this focused attention. This followed the technology upgrades in every teaching space.

Specific current primary-grade school facility needs include:

- Safety and security improvement (cameras, electronic locks, gate and perimeter-control systems, emergency communications)
- Window, Paint & Floors (Fire Alarm & Accessibility): John Muir Elementary/Santa Monica Alternative School House (SMASH)
- Heating, Ventilation and Air Conditioning System and Electrical Upgrades: Grant Elementary, Lincoln Child Development Center, John Muir Elementary/Santa Monica Alternative School House (SMASH), Roosevelt Elementary, Webster Elementary and Will Rogers Elementary
- Portable Replacement and Multi-Purpose Room Construction: Juan Cabrillo Elementary, Franklin Elementary, Grant Elementary, McKinley Elementary, John Muir Elementary/Santa Monica Alternative School House (SMASH), Point Dume Marine Science School, Will Rogers Elementary, Roosevelt Elementary and Webster Elementary
- Preschool Addition: Franklin Elementary, McKinley Elementary, John Muir Elementary, Point Dume Marine Science School, Will Rogers Elementary, Roosevelt Elementary and Webster Elementary
- Sustainability, Solar and Renewables: Franklin Elementary, Grant Elementary, McKinley Elementary, John Muir Elementary/Santa Monica Alternative School House (SMASH), Point Dume Marine Science School, Will Rogers Elementary, Roosevelt Elementary and Webster Elementary

Middle and High Schools:

The gap between 19th/20th-century style classrooms and 21st-century classrooms is most apparent in the middle and high schools where engaging the students in multiple forms of learning is even more critical. Measure BB (approved in 2006) funded some major upgrades for middle and high schools, including earthquake retrofits and new buildings at Lincoln Middle School, John Adams Middle School and Santa Monica High School. New buildings at Malibu High School are under construction. While we improved specific areas of each campus, there remain many areas that still need attention to improve instruction for all students.

Lincoln and John Adams Middle Schools: The majority of classrooms at Lincoln and Adams have not been updated in decades and need safety, security and accessibility upgrades as well as repairs and modernization of classrooms.

Santa Monica High School: We are fully pursuing the Samohi Campus Plan. The Innovation Building constructed 21st-century science labs and classrooms for one of the campus' four houses. The Discovery building (Phases 1 & 2 of the Samohi Campus Plan) will provide new classrooms for two houses with quads, breakout rooms, maker spaces, and an exterior science lab. The completion of this project will move 60% of the students into new 21st-century general education classrooms and science labs for all students. We need to continue the next phases of the plan to get all students out of old, small and substandard classrooms and into facilities that more fully engage them.

Malibu High School: Malibu High School is at a turning point. This 60-year-old campus, originally built as a middle school, no longer adequately supports the needs of the high school or the middle school today. Currently under construction, the new library building with science classrooms will provide a more secure entrance to the campus. Along with the new Middle School building, both buildings will begin the transformation of the campus. The rest of the campus needs to be re-thought and reorganized. Architects are working on a new master plan for the campus that will replace sub-optimal buildings with learning spaces that support 21st-century learning; separate middle and senior high schools; and improve drop-off/pick-up, circulation and traffic. While potential environmental hazards, such as Polychlorinated Biphenyls (PCBs), are mostly being abated, the new plan will allow these concerns to be fully removed.

Olympic High School: With funding from previous bond measures, Olympic High School, which needed extensive work, is being fully modernized. This campus, which is one of the oldest campuses in the District, will be repurposed to support 21st-century learning and prepare our students for college and future careers and continue to support at-risk students.

Specific middle and high school current needs include:

- Safety and security improvement (cameras, electronic locks, gate and perimeter-control systems and emergency communications)
- Window, Paint & Floors (Fire Alarm & Accessibility): John Adams Middle School and Lincoln Middle School
- *Heating, Ventilation, Air Conditioning and Electrical Upgrades:* John Adams Middle School, Lincoln Middle and sections of Santa Monica High School and Malibu High School
- Sustainability, Solar and Renewables: John Adams Middle School, Olympic High School, Santa Monica High School, Lincoln Middle School and Malibu High School
- New Construction:
 - Santa Monica High School Phase 3 classroom/library building, 3A South Gym replacement, Phase 4 classroom/visual art labs for language, science, technology, engineering, arts, math instruction and career skills and physical education programs
 - Malibu High School Phase 1 and possibly Phase 2 of the developing Campus Plan to remake Malibu Middle and High School

