



Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District (SMMUSD) is proud to provide high-quality, world-class education to Malibu-area students across four Malibu school sites. Malibu High School has been named among the top in California and the nation with graduation rates and test scores consistently exceeding county, state and national standards.

### **Excellence at Malibu Schools**

Malibu-area students benefit from a wide range of enriching programs, including visual arts, performing arts, marine science and athletics, starting from elementary school and continuing through high school. With a strong focus on college and career readiness, a graduation rate of over 99% and robust programs in Career Technical Education and STEM, Malibu schools are dedicated to preparing students for success in 21st-century careers.

### **Malibu School Improvement Projects**

Many Malibu schools were built for a different era of education. Malibu High School facilities were originally built to be a middle school (the old Malibu Park M.S.). These classrooms do not support today's standards for high school instruction. The District is exploring options to improve and modernize our local schools, aligning them with the modern teaching and learning standards to maintain quality education for our students.

## **Locally Controlled Funding for Excellent Malibu Schools**

To ensure all Malibu-area students have safe and modern classrooms, labs and schools, the District voted to place Measure MM, a \$395 million school facilities improvement bond measure on the November 2024 ballot. The cost of Measure MM would be limited to 4¢ per \$100, annually, of assessed (not market) value. Funding from Measure MM could be used to:

- Upgrade classrooms and labs to support modern instruction in math, science and technology
- Fix leaky roofs and plumbing to prevent further damage and ensure safe learning environments for our students
- Upgrade computers, networks and learning technology so they are up-to-date
- Improve school safety and security systems including locks, fencing, fire alarms and sprinklers
- Increase support for struggling and at-risk students
- Remove asbestos, lead and other hazardous materials where encountered

## **Mandatory Fiscal Accountability**

Measure MM includes strict fiscal accountability protections, including:

- A Citizens' Oversight Committee and independent audits to help ensure funds are spent as promised
- All funds must remain under local control to support Malibu schools only

- All funds will be spent in the Malibu area on our local school facilities. Bond funds cannot be used for schools in other areas, taken away by the state or used for other purposes
- Public disclosure of all spending will be required

# We Want to Hear From You!

To learn more about Measure MM, please visit <u>www.smmusd.org/bonds</u>. Comments may be submitted through the Let's Talk portal: <u>www.smmusd.org/Superintendent</u>.