

# MAINTAINING EXCELLENT EDUCATION IN MALIBU SCHOOLS

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 educational facilities, aligning them with the modern teaching and learning standards to provide a world-class education to our students.





### Locally Controlled Funding for Excellent Malibu Schools

While much has been accomplished, many projects are left to be done. Options are currently being evaluated to complete the next step of repairs and upgrades at all Malibu schools. To ensure all Malibu-area students have safe and modern classrooms, labs and school facilities, the District is evaluating placing a \$395 million school facilities improvement bond measure on the November 2024 ballot. While no decisions have been made, funding from a measure could be used to:



Provide state-of-the-art, world-class public schools for Malibu-area students

Keep computers, networks and learning technology up-to-date

Improve fire safety and school security

Provide support to struggling students

Remove asbestos, lead and other hazardous materials where encountered

## **Mandatory Fiscal Accountability**

A school facilities improvement bond measure must include 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



## Please Take Our Survey

Complete the attached survey to share your priorities for Malibu area schools. You make also take the survey online by scanning the QR code to the right or by visiting bit.ly/MalibuCommunitySurvey.

