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Welcome to the 2021-2022 School Year!
July, 2021

PRINCIPALS MESSAGE:

Dear Malibu High Students and Families,

Malibu High welcomes YOU to the 2021-2022 school year! Students, it is almost time to get ready as school starts on **Thursday, August 19th at 8:30am**. Enjoy these final weeks of summer while getting excited to begin a wonderful new school year. It is BACK TO SCHOOL! We are looking forward to an exciting and productive year!

It is an exciting time at Malibu High. We are so excited to be able to get back to what we do and for students to benefit from the range of programming our in-person experience provides. MHS is a special place and thanks to the combined efforts of students, parents, community, teachers and staff we will continue to do great work in 2021-2022.

We ask that you carefully review each item contained on the 2021-2022 Get Your Stuff Day (GYSD)/Registration Page. It contains information and forms you will need to bring to Get Your Stuff Day (GYSD). GYSD is your opportunity to get your stuff (ie: school picture, school ID, schedule, PE clothes, parking permit) so you are prepared for the first days of school.

High school GYSD is on Tuesday, August 10th from 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
All the information you need is on our website at: <https://www.smmusd.org/Page/1254>

If for any reason your child will NOT be attending Malibu High School, please email Beth Soloway, Registrar, at bsoloway@smmusd.org immediately so we can plan our class configurations and placements as accurately as possible and enroll students who have been placed on our waiting list or have applied for a permit.

We look forward to seeing you on Thursday, August 19th before 8:30am! I am excited for the 2021-2022 school year and look forward to getting to know all of our families, supporting all of our students, and celebrating lots of successes throughout the year. Have a wonderful last few weeks of summer!

See you soon!

Patrick Miller
Principal, Malibu High School

ADDITIONAL ITEMS:

SCHOOL PICTURES ORDER FORM/IDENTIFICATION CARD: Get Your Stuff Day is also School Picture Day! All students, including seniors, must have their picture taken for the yearbook and for an identification card. Students/families opting to purchase a school picture package should return the school picture order form on GYSD. [Picture Day Order Form](#)

NUTRITION SERVICES: New applications need to be completed annually (one per family). For more information, visit: <https://www.smmusd.org/Page/4083>.

TRANSPORTATION/BUS PASSES: Renewing riders should have received a renewal application in the mail from the District Office. District staff will be at Malibu High School on both GYSD to take your application and payment. [Applications for new riders](#) and bus information will be available on both days. There are a limited number of passes that will be sold for some bus routes. Passes will be sold on a first come, first serve basis. To learn more, click [HERE](#).

SMMUSD DISTRICT CALENDAR: The district calendar is available online. Please note start of school, end of school, and all holidays. Please plan vacations and all absences around the school/district calendar. Daily attendance at school is extremely important. <https://www.smmusd.org/domain/148>

MHS EVENTS CALENDAR: We are in the process of updating our school calendar with all of the 2021-2022 school year events! These are subject to change. However, it is a great place to look! <https://www.smmusd.org/Page/36>.

NEW MHS BELL SCHEDULE NEXT YEAR: The 2021-22 school year will mark the start of new school hours (reflecting the later state mandated start time, SB 328). Monday through Thursday, instruction will begin at 8:30 am and end at 3:35 pm, while Friday will run from 8:30 am – 1:35 pm. See the new times on the website [HERE](#).

MHS ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: Visit the MHS website at www.malibu.smmusd.org for additional information including Bell Schedules, Summer Reading Lists, and other helpful links. There is a Parent Resources page that can be found at: <https://www.smmusd.org/domain/680>

HIGH SCHOOL COUNSELORS: High School Counseling assignments are as follows: Ms. Makenna Samsel (Students with LAST NAMES beginning with letters A-K) and Mrs. Katie Dahm (Students with LAST NAMES beginning with letters L-Z).

UNOFFICIAL CLASS SCHEDULES: During GYSD, students can pick up their unofficial 2021-2022 class schedule. This is an unofficial schedule that is subject to change before the start of school.

SCHEDULE NOT AVAILABLE: There are a few reasons why a student may not receive a schedule at Get Your Stuff Day. The student may owe books or financial obligations from last year, is a new student who has not yet met with his or her counselor, is in grade 7-12 and does not have the TDaP immunization documented, or is an Independent Study Program (ISP) student who will work with the ISP teacher to develop a schedule. We ask all students to immediately return or pay for all library and textbooks belonging to Malibu High as we must have them for the start of the school year. If you need a current immunization, please take care of this and come to the school with your documentation on or before Get Your Stuff Day.

FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL: The first day of school is Thursday, August 19th. Students should arrive between 8:00am-8:25am for an 8:30am start of school. Official schedules will be distributed to high school students near the new gym in the high school quad. Even if students believe there is an error in their schedule, they are to attend all the classes shown on their official schedule until it can be resolved with their counselor.

THE SHARK FUND NEEDS YOU!: The Shark Fund is our one and only fundraising board at MMS & MHS and is a great way to be involved. It's not a big-time commitment but has a tremendous and crucial impact on all our students. The Shark Fund provides funding for all our incredible arts, sports, and student and teacher programming and services that are not paid for by the district. With 100% support of and collaboration with the PTSA, Arts Angels, and Athletic Booster Club, these programs are critical to our kids' excellence now and for their futures. Please email Caren90265@gmail.com and join our 2021/22 Board.

SCHOOL SITE COUNCIL 2021-2022: The School Site Council is a group of teachers, parents, students and staff who work together on long-range school improvement planning. Their goals are to ensure high academic performance of all students, implementing and monitoring the School Plan for Student Achievement and to serve as an open forum for discussion, planning and implementation regarding issues important to the Malibu High community. If you are interested in serving on the School Site Council for the 2021-2022 school year, please email Mr. Miller at p.miller@smmusd.org. There are two anticipated Parent openings that will be filled by an election in September.

IMPORTANT REGISTRATION FORMS:

It is very important that you read all of the information on the Back to School/Registration website and return signed forms by email to malibuforms@smmusd.org before August 10, 2021! Below is a summary of the materials you are being asked to read and/or sign.

REGISTRATION 2021-2022 – TO READ AND KEEP:

SMMUSD Rights and Responsibilities Information Booklet – Each year, the Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District publishes a booklet informing parents and students of their rights and responsibilities. Please read and review the booklet with your student. Retain the booklet or bookmark the electronic link for future use.

SMMUSD District Policies - Controlled Substance, Weapons, Bullying, Hate-Motivated Behavior, Mobile Device Guidelines, Tobacco Use and Telecommunications Acceptable Use Policies – We ask all students and parents to carefully review the District's policies regarding controlled substances, forbidden weapons, bullying, hate motivated behavior and tobacco use. We encourage parents to discuss these policies with your student to ensure that he or she understands the policies and the consequences for violating them. These policies are important in ensuring a safe and healthy campus for all students. We will go over these in classrooms with our students as well.

MHS School Policies - Dress Code Policy, Civility Policy, Attendance Guidelines and Tardy Policy, and Cell Phone and Electronics Policy - Parents, please review the dress code, tardy and cell phone/electronics policies we use at MHS with your student(s) to ensure an understanding of the policies and the consequences for violating them. We will go over these in classrooms with our students as well. In addition, review the civility policy to assure all adults engage in courteous discourse.

Student Accident and Health Insurance Program Application – Applications for low cost accident insurance for students are available in the main office and online. The accident insurance is an affordable insurance option for students including student athletes. Applications are to be complete online.

**ONLINE REGISTRATION 2021-2022 – TO BE RETURNED BY EMAIL TO
MALIBUFORMS@SMMUSD.ORG:**

1. **Student Emergency and Information Form** - It is very important that we have accurate emergency contact information for every student. Please complete and return by emails the emergency form. It should be completed by the parent. (If you are a High School athlete, print additional copies of the emergency form – one copy for the athletic trainer and one copy for every sport you intend to play.)
2. **District and School Policy Signature Page** - This is a comprehensive sign-off page that needs to be completed and returned by email. This provides a sign-off for the following policies and practices:
 1. SMMUSD Rights and Responsibilities Booklet
 2. District Policies: Controlled Substance, Weapons, Bullying, Hate-Motivated Behavior, Tobacco Use and Telecommunication Acceptable Use (AUP) Policy, Mobile Device Guidelines
 3. MHS School Policies: Dress Code Policy, Civility Policy, Tardy Policy and Cell Phone/Electronics Policy
3. **General Filming and Recording Student Release Form** – During the school year, students are occasionally photographed, filmed and/or recorded during school activities and field trips. The recordings may be exhibited at school as part of curricular and extracurricular activities; published in internal/external newsletters, public relations materials and other District publications; and released to news and documentary organizations to recognize the work of the school and our students. They may also be published and shown as parts of other broadcasts. This release allows your child to be recorded and allows the District to use and circulate these recordings. Return one of these forms per student.

REGISTRATION 2021-2022 – COMPLETE ONLINE:

1. **PTSA Directory, Volunteer and Membership Form** – Parents (and students) are highly encouraged to participate in our PTSA. Our PTSA is an important resource for parents seeking to stay connected with Malibu High and other parents. Go online to complete this process/form to be included in the PTSA Student/Staff Directory, to volunteer at Malibu High and to join the PTSA.
2. **Donate to The Shark Fund** - There are staff, programs, and materials that are dependent on donor funds. We continue to ask all families to donate to the Shark Fund with a suggested donation of \$2,000. The Shark Fund funds all PTSA, Arts Angels, and Athletic Booster Club programs. Please consider giving at www.thesharkfund.org.

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