



Jan. 28, 2025

Superintendent's Message: Passage through PCH Approved and Social Emotional Health

Dear Malibu Parents, Guardians, Staff and Community Members,

It has been a very challenging few weeks and we are all feeling the emotional toll of the Palisades fire and its aftermath including the evaluation of safety in decisions to open and close schools.

We have been working with the Lost Hills Sheriff's Captain Jennifer Seetoo, along with partners from Supervisor Lindsay Horvath's office, City of Malibu and other agencies to provide passage for our school buses through Pacific Coast Highway (PCH).

We are pleased to announce that starting tomorrow we have been issued permits for our school buses to utilize PCH for drop off and pick up at our Malibu schools. Staff may choose to ride the school buses. We are also working with our partners to allow teachers and staff to commute in district vans through the PCH to reduce their commute times.

An [updated bus route list effective Wednesday, Jan. 29, 2025 is linked](#) and page three to this letter. Please note that we will adjust timing as the routes are run and communicate any adjustments that need to be made.

I had the opportunity to experience the devastation on PCH on my way to and from the Malibu Town Hall on Saturday and this is not an easy sight to witness for children or adults. Burned cars and shells of family homes, along with devastation to natural habitat and landscapes, throughout the drive was very disturbing to see.

With this in mind, we will have additional staff support on our buses so students will have the opportunity to process what they see while on the bus and upon arrival at school. The social emotional health of our students is fragile right now for many and we are here to support them through this challenging time. Each bus will have some adult and pediatric masks on hand for those who may need, or parents are welcome to provide for their child in a plastic bag for reuse until they are soiled.

Here are a few additional resources for families who may need support in discussing with their children:

Talking to Children when Scary Things Happen

- [English](#) / [Spanish](#)

Parent Guidelines for Helping Children Impacted by Wildfires

- [English](#) / [Spanish](#)

Tips to Recover from Wildfires

- [English](#) / [Spanish](#)

We appreciate your ongoing support and a shared determination to create the best possible learning environments for our students. Their safety and wellbeing are - and will always be - our top priority. We look forward to continuing our efforts in Malibu to ensure the continuity of learning while also considering the social emotional health of our students.

Sincerely,

Dr. Antonio Shelton, Superintendent

Mr. Isaac Burgess, Executive Director, Malibu Pathway & Secondary Schools

Updated Malibu bus routes effective Jan. 29, 2025 on the following page.

MHS / MMS First Student Bus from Santa Monica			
Time	Monday - Thursday	Time	Friday
	0650 John Adams Middle School 0700 Lincoln Middle School 0753 Colony Gate (behind Chevron) 0755 Malibu Library 0820 Drop off at MMS/MHS		
	1540 Pick Up at MMS/MHS 1559 Colony Gate (behind Chevron) 1603 Malibu Library 1630 Lincoln Middle School 1645 John Adams Middle School		1335 Drop off at MMS/MHS 1403 Colony Gate (behind Chevron) 1407 Malibu Library 1440 Lincoln Middle School 1500 John Adams Middle School

SMMUSD bus #6 Webster from Santa Monica			
	0710 John Adams Middle School 0720 Lincoln Middle School 0815 Drop off at Webster		
	PM 1500 Pick up at Webster 1555 Lincoln Middle School 1610 John Adams Middle School		PM FRIDAY 1325 Pick up at Webster 1420 Lincoln Middle School 1435 John Adams Middle School

MMS /MHS & SMMUSD bus #1 from the Webster north (Calabasas start)			
	0730 26531 Agoura Road 0800 Drop off Webster* 0805 John Tyler Road 0810 Winding Way 0815 Ramirez Mesa 0825 Drop Off Malibu High School		
	PM 1540 Pick Up Malibu High School 1605 Paradise Cove 1615 John Tyler Road 1620 Pick Up Webster* 1645 26531 Agoura Road 1655 Ramirez Mesa		PM FRIDAY 1345 Pick Up Malibu High School 1410 Paradise Cove 1425 John Tyler Road 1430 Pick Up Webster* 1455 26531 Agoura Road 1525 Ramirez Mesa

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**Webster students will be dropped off early and picked up late on this route.*