

# MALIBU MIDDLE SCHOOL

## MONDAY MESSAGE – OCTOBER 7, 2024

**CONTINUING TRAFFIC ALERT:** Starting Monday, September 30<sup>th</sup> through Thursday, October 10<sup>th</sup>, there will be a traffic lane closure on our side of Morning View Drive to allow underground utility work at the new High School site. There may be some traffic delays during drop off and pick up. Please allow yourself a little extra time and be sure to follow directions from all traffic control personnel.

## SCHOOL NEWS AND INFORMATION:

**REFLECTIONS ART PROGRAM:** Calling all MMS-MHS artists! PTA Reflections Art Program is here! Create your dance, film, literature, music, photographic or visual arts piece addressing the theme "Accepting Imperfection." We can't wait to see your creations, and each year some pieces go on to receive awards at the Council, District, State and even National levels! It's a great chance to share your voice! Guidelines can be found online at <https://capta.org/programs-events/reflections/general-rules/>. MMS/MHS Deadline is Monday, October 21st at 9am. Submit your art online at: [https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfdE6TUgHCUnfGl1-xiLJq-jqarjvD3eduxeaKC4BQANpC6Qg/viewform?usp=sf\\_link](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfdE6TUgHCUnfGl1-xiLJq-jqarjvD3eduxeaKC4BQANpC6Qg/viewform?usp=sf_link)  
Questions? Contact [SharkAttack90265@gmail.com](mailto:SharkAttack90265@gmail.com)

**DIGITAL WELLNESS SERIES:** All SMMUSD School parents are invited to attend a screening of the movie "Screenagers: Elementary School Edition" at Grant on Tuesday, October 8<sup>th</sup> at 6 PM. **See the attached flyer for more information.**

**HELP THE MEF WHEN YOU CELEBRATE HALLOWEEN:** We connected with Nights of the Jack to get 10% back for Malibu Education Foundation if parents use this link to buy their tickets: <https://www.tixr.com/pr/MalibuPublicSchools/g/nightsofthejack>

**HEALTH OFFICE REMINDERS:** No student is to carry in his/her possession at any time either prescription medication or over-the-counter medication. All medication must be checked in with the school nurse and administered by a school official following the written guidelines of a physician. Also, the use of crutches or any other mobility devices at school requires a written order from the physician that includes the diagnosis & length of time the device is needed.

**AFTER SCHOOL TUTORING HAS BEGUN:** After School Tutoring in the library is available from 2:45-3:45 on Monday and Wednesday with Ms. Dickerson.

**MIDDLE SCHOOL YEARBOOK:** Does your 6th, 7th or 8th grader like photography, writing or graphic design? Come be a part of creating the MMS 24-25 yearbook! For more information email Amber Vanderbilt, parent volunteer in charge of MMS Yearbook, at [amber.mmsyearbook@gmail.com](mailto:amber.mmsyearbook@gmail.com) or [mmsyearbook@smmusd.org](mailto:mmsyearbook@smmusd.org)

## THIS WEEK AT MMS:

**PRN COFFEE & DONUTS:** The SMMUSD Parent Resource Network of Malibu is hosting a Coffee and Donuts meetup for all parents of Special Education students, or students with IEPs. This is an opportunity to get together, have coffee, share resources, and support one another! Malibu PRN representatives will be there to answer any questions about the Special Ed program, and the IEP process. The PRN meetups, held once a month, are a great way to meet parents who may share your experiences. Please join us October 9th, 9-10am at Webster Elementary in the Cafeteria, 3602 Winter Canyon Rd. Please direct any questions to [denise.prn.smmusd@gmail.com](mailto:denise.prn.smmusd@gmail.com).

**POMS:** The next POMS meeting (Parents of Middle Schoolers) will be **Friday, October 11<sup>th</sup>** at 9:00 am in the Parent Center.

**NEXT VOLUNTEER TRAINING:** If you are interested in volunteering during the school day, primarily the PTSA sponsored Friendly Faces volunteer program, the next volunteer training will take place on Friday, **October 11<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 am** in the Parent Center.

**CHOIR CABARET:** The first Choir Cabaret Concert will be on Friday, October 11<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 PM in the MHS auditorium. This year our students chose the word "Peace" as the theme for our concert. There will be choral and solo selections from different genres, all of which will be about peace or encouraging peace. Please come enjoy an evening of "feel-good" music and help support our Middle and High School vocalists!

## UPCOMING EVENTS:

**FALL CSF/CJSF DRIVE** – California (Junior) Scholarship Federation is a state-accredited honor society that recognizes California students for academic scholarship and service. Current 8-12th Graders may apply for fall CSF/CJSF. The Fall CSF/CJSF Drive is the **week of October 14 - 18**. Your counselors will be set up at a table during lunchtime near the cafeteria every day during that week. Fill out a CSF/CJSF application (available at the table) and bring your \$5 membership fee. Qualification is based on your JUNE grades from last semester. Any questions, please see your counselor.

**ARTS ANGELS:** The next Arts Angels meeting is scheduled for **Thursday, October 17<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 am** in the Parent Center.

**GREAT SHAKEOUT:** Our first emergency drill of the school year will take place on **Thursday, October 17<sup>th</sup>** when we participate in the Great Shakeout.

**SPECIAL SSC MEETING:** The School Site Council will hold a special meeting on Thursday, October 17<sup>th</sup> at 3:45pm in person. This special meeting will be to conduct the public hearing and approval of the Comprehensive School Safety Plan and will be a joint meeting of the MMS SSC and MHS SSC.

**PSTA GENERAL MEETING:** The next PTSA General Meeting will be **Thursday, October 24<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 am** in the Parent Center.

## COMMUNITY INFORMATION:

**YOUTH AND MIDDLE SCHOOL BASKETBALL LEAGUES:** The Youth and Middle School Basketball Leagues are returning for Winter 2024-2025. Registration is currently open online at [MalibuCity.org/Register](https://MalibuCity.org/Register). The deadline to register is Monday, October 14. Games are held on Saturdays beginning on December 7. Volunteer head and assistant coaches are needed for this program. Mandatory evaluations will be held on Wednesday, October 30 and Saturday, November 2 for Grades 4 – 8 at the Malibu High School, Small Gymnasium. Visit [MalibuCity.org/Basketball](https://MalibuCity.org/Basketball) for more details!

**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 Middle and other parents. Go online to complete this process/form to be included in the PTSA Student/Staff Directory, to volunteer at Malibu Middle and to join the PTSA. PTSA related questions? Want to find out more or get involved? Please email us at [PTSAmalibu@gmail.com](mailto:PTSAmalibu@gmail.com). Please join today! Go to [www.PTSAmalibu.membershiptoolkit.com](https://www.PTSAmalibu.membershiptoolkit.com)

## BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB OF MALIBU TEEN CENTER:

The Boys & Girls Club of Malibu aims to provide a fun, safe, and creative environment for all Malibu youth to thrive, find support through positive mentorship, develop important life skills, and receive social and emotional support. We are currently offering programs for teens to use as a social, developmental, and supplemental tool.

- **BGCM ENROLLMENT IS LIVE!** Visit [bgcmalibu.org](https://bgcmalibu.org) to learn more and enroll. We provide Malibu families and its community members with a place for their children to be able to participate in developmental programs in a safe and

nurturing environment. Members receive positive mentorship, helping them to feel supported and accepted. Our Clubhouses offer fun, educational activities, social emotional learning experiences, and more!

- **WARRIOR ACADEMY - BRUCE LEE FOUNDATION** This program was designed by Bruce Lee's daughter, Shannon Lee, who shares the wisdom of her father's teachings through weekly martial arts and mindfulness training. Fun, engaging sessions facilitated by professional martial arts instructors will challenge students to grow physically, mentally, and emotionally. This program will take place on Thursdays from 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM and is available to 6th and 7th grade members. To learn more, please email [violetway@bgcmalibu.org](mailto:violetway@bgcmalibu.org)
- **BGCM IS EXCITED TO OFFER THE JOHNNY STRANGE LEGACY SKATE PROGRAM**, a comprehensive 8-week skateboarding course designed for all skill levels. From October 10th to November 18th, lessons will occur every Monday from 3:30 PM to 4:30 PM. The cost for the entire program is \$200, which includes eight weeks of professional instruction, safety guidance, and the use of skateboarding equipment if needed. You can register [here](#) (English) or [here](#) (Spanish).
- **VOLUNTEER AT RUN MALIBU RUN:** Run Malibu is seeking dedicated volunteers for various roles on October 12th and 13th. Volunteers will assist with the BGCM Kids race, run hydration stations, first aid support, and cheer on participants at the finish line. This is a fantastic opportunity to be part of a renowned community event while supporting the Boys & Girls Club. You can sign up for your shift [here](#).
- **BRENT'S CLUB ON CAMPUS** - is an incentivized social-emotional wellness program focused on racial justice, youth advocacy, drug prevention, and building peer support by connecting with other Brent's Clubs and youth from diverse communities. Meetings are bi-weekly on Mondays, during lunch, on the school campus. Lunch will be provided at every meeting! Email [hannamatheson@bgcmalibu.org](mailto:hannamatheson@bgcmalibu.org) for more info.
- **BGCM - WELLNESS CENTER & SOCIAL SUPPORT OFFERINGS** - The Boys & Girls Club of Malibu Wellness Center operates remotely and also in-person to provide no-cost social support & mental health counseling to all in the community. Visit <https://bgcmalibu.org/wellness-center/> to learn more or to request services for you/your teen. There is currently NO WAITLIST for services. PSA: Parents! If you've missed any parent workshops, they are available on our website at <https://bgcmalibu.org/wellness-center-resources/>
- **THIRD SPACE IS OPEN AT MALIBU VILLAGE!** Third Space is a storefront, gallery and an innovation space for youth to be mentored and inspired. A project of the Boys & Girls Club of Malibu, made possible by many generous community contributors. A percentage of all store purchases benefit the Boys & Girls Club of Malibu:
  - Safe spaces after-school
  - Mental health services for youth, families and aging population
  - Drug and alcohol prevention programming
  - Innovative and inspiring opportunities for youth
  - Regenerative systems and educational initiatives

Here, in our vibrant community, we value care, connection, and creativity. We offer youth, families, and visitors of all ages the chance to explore products from local, sustainable and social entrepreneurs. To learn more, visit [thirdspacemalibu.org](http://thirdspacemalibu.org) Follow us on IG/FB: @thirdspacemalibu

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