## MALIBU MIDDLE SCHOOL MONDAY MESSAGE – March 31, 2025

# All SMMUSD Schools will be closed Cesar Chavez Day Monday, March 31<sup>st</sup>

## **SCHOOL NEWS AND INFORMATION:**

**8TH GRADE PARENTS – STAY TUNED!** Bracken Webb is chairing the 8th Grade Promotion Committee and has a great team of parents helping out. More details will be coming soon! You can still get involved, just share your info <u>HERE</u> and we'll connect you with one of the committees.

**UCLA WRITING PROJECT:** The UCLA Writing Project are excited to announce our 2025 summer programs for students entering grades 5-12 in fall 2025. This year we are pleased to offer two sessions to choose from, the first on campus, the second virtual. Parents may register their students here:

UCLA Writing Project Summer Camps for Students – UCLA Center X

**HELP CREATE AN ART PROJECT:** Carla Bowman-Smith is looking for Cereal boxes, for an upcoming Art project. There is a labeled bin in the office downstairs outside of the Parent Center for people to put the boxes in.

#### **MMS YEARBOOK:**

- Buy your Yearbook Dedication Pages, DEADLINE TO PURCHASE is April 4<sup>th</sup> <u>https://plicbooks.com/go/DAPU6E</u>
- MMS Parents Do you have great pictures that you would like to include in this year's Malibu Middle School Yearbook? Please email them to: <u>amber.mmsyearbook@gmail.com</u> or <u>amber.vanderbilt@gmail.com</u>

**MALIBU EDUCATION FOUNDATION**: MEF funds staff and staffed programs at all four Malibu public schools - at our schools, we benefit from Math Tutors, Strength & Conditioning Coaches, a Musical Accompanist, and the Middle School Athletics program - all funded by MEF. If you haven't already done so, please consider making a donation to the Foundation. Learn more and donate at www.malibueducationfoundation.org.

**PTSA BOARD - THERE IS STILL TIME TO RAISE YOUR HAND!** Our Nominating Committee! has been canvassing the schools looking for great parents to nominate to join the PTSA Board, and you still have the opportunity to throw your own hat in the ring! Everyone is welcome and is the place where you can make an impact on our schools. Email <u>PTSAMalibu@gmail.com</u> for more info and roles available.

**JOIN THE SHARK FUND BOARD!** Malibu Middle & High School can't thrive without parent support, and The Shark Fund financially supports the boosters that make our schools exceptional. Athletic Booster Club, Arts Angels, PTSA, and so much more—these don't happen without us, the parents, stepping in.

We are currently seeking a few more engaged, committed parents to join our efforts. It's not just about fundraising—it's about ensuring our kids have the best possible education and experiences. If we don't do it, who will?

Now is the time to get involved. Email <u>TheSharkFundMalibu@gmail.com</u> to learn how you can help. Your support isn't optional—it's essential.

### THIS WEEK AT MMS:

**NO SCHOOL:** MHS and all SMMUSD schools will be closed on Monday, March 31<sup>st</sup> in honor of Cesar Chavez day.

**END OF GRADING PERIOD:** The end of grading period 4 is **Friday, April 4th.** Progress Reports will be available in Aeries the following week.

## **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

**SPRING BREAK:** SMMUSD will be on Spring Break from April 7<sup>th</sup> through April 18<sup>th</sup>. Classes will resume on Monday, April 21<sup>st</sup>.

**LIBRARY CLOSED APRIL 28-MAY 2:** The library will be completely closed this week for inventory. Please make plans for your kids for after school. If they have any printing they need to do, please ask them to find a teacher that can help them print. Thanks for your understanding. After school tutoring will continue as usual.

# **COMMUNITY INFORMATION:**

MALIBU LIBRARY EVENTS: Learn to Draw Anime with Carlos Nieto Wednesday, April 2, 4 - 5 pm at Malibu Library Former Simpsons and King of the Hill illustrator Carlos Nieto III teaches you how to design and draw comic characters from scratch. All artistic abilities and skill levels welcome! For ages 12 - 17.

#### YOUTH COMMISSION APPLICATIONS OPEN FOR THE 2025-26 ACADEMIC

**YEAR:** The City of Malibu is accepting applications for Council appointment to the Harry Barovsky Memorial Youth Commission beginning March 1, 2025. Students in grades 7 through 12 during the 2025-26 school year, are encouraged to submit an application to serve on the Youth Commission. Students must live in the City of Malibu limits or attend a Malibu school. The application deadline is Friday, April 25, 2025, at 4 PM. Please visit MalibuCity.org/YouthCommission to submit an online application. Contact sspiroglou@malibucity.org with any questions.

#### 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.

#### The Boys & Girls Club of Malibu is HERE FOR YOU!

We are here to ease some of the challenges in the aftermath of the Palisades Fire. At the BGCM, we aim to be a lifeline to the Malibu community. <u>Please do not hesitate to</u> <u>access these resources</u>. They are for YOU and anyone who has been impacted by the Palisades Fire. Visit us and share this information with your friends and your network. Thank you!

- BGCM Disaster Relief Center: Boys & Girls Club of Malibu has opened a Disaster Relief Center in response to the Palisades Fire. If you have been impacted by the Palisades Fire, please visit us to receive emergency grants support, essential supplies, mental health services, and resource connections ALL at no cost.
- BGCM Emergency Relief Fund: The BGCM Emergency Relief Fund supports Palisade Fire victims and is made possible by generous donations from private donors, corporations, and the community at large. BGCM is prioritizing families and individuals in the greatest need.
- BGCM Wellness Center: The BGCM Wellness Center continues to provide mental health and social support services to support families, students, the aging population and labor workforce through this difficult time.
  - Mental Health Support + Services: contact 310-457-6801 ext 74141, wellnessinfo@bgcmalibu.org
  - Mindfulness Workshops: Every Thursday starting 2/6 at the BGCM Disaster Relief Center 12:30-1:30p (For adults 18+, no RSVP necessary). Join us for a free drop-in mindfulness workshop designed to help you and your family navigate stress, anxiety, and uncertainty.

Come visit us at the BGCM Disaster Relief Center (23357 Pacific Coast Hwy, Wed-Fri 10a to 5p, Saturday 11a to 4p). SHOP, LEARN MORE, ACCESS RESOURCES AND CONNECT WITH COMMUNITY!