MALIBU MIDDLE SCHOOL Opening of School Message

REGISTRATION/DATA CONFIRMATION is now available to complete in AERIES Parent Portal.

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE:

Welcome to the 2024-2025 School Year! Malibu Middle School welcomes YOU to the 2024-2025 school year! Students, it is almost time to get ready as school starts on **Thursday, August 22nd, at 8:40am.**

We ask that you log-in to your Aeries Parent Portal and complete the 2024-2025 Data Confirmation process as soon as possible. It contains information and forms that need to be submitted prior to Get Your Stuff Day.

Middle school GYSD is on Thursday, August 15th, from 12:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. GYSD is your opportunity to get your stuff (ie: school picture, school ID, schedule, PE clothes, chromebook) so you are prepared for the first days of school.

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 accurately. Have a wonderful last few weeks of summer!

COMPLETE IMPORTANT REGISTRATION/DATA CONFIRMATION PROCESS NOW:

DATA CONFIRMATION PROCESS: Malibu Middle School and SMMUSD have worked to make the Data Confirmation process easy for you and your student through **Aeries Parent Portal**. We have many important documents and plenty of information for your family within the online registration site, accessed via your Aeries Parent Portal. Note: You must complete data confirmation for each student.

ACTION NEEDED: Log in to your aeries parent portal. It is very important that you complete the annual Back to School/Registration process anytime **between now and August 14, 2024!** Please be sure to read, review, and discuss all the materials with your student. We also need to gather information from you for emergency contacts and health documents. You may decide to print some of the documents for future reference. For a tutorial on how to complete this process, please **click HERE**.

GET YOUR STUFF DAY IS AUG. 15TH:

<u>ASB STUDENT STORE</u>: Visit the <u>ASB Student Store</u> to purchase PE Clothing. Bypass a line at GYSD and purchase your items online. Orders placed online can be picked up at the Student Store, no waiting in line!

SCHOOL PICTURES ORDER FORM/IDENTIFICATION CARD: Get Your Stuff Day is also School Picture Day! All students must have their picture taken for the yearbook and for an identification card. Students/families also have to option to purchase a school picture package from our new photographer, Lifetouch. To order, visit https://my.lifetouch.com/mylifetouch/#/ and enter Picture Day ID # EVTWKWJZF

NUTRITION SERVICES: New meal applications need to be completed annually (one per family). We ask all families to complete this application regardless of plans to eat school meals or income level. For more information, visit: https://www.smmusd.org/Page/4083. Meals will continue to served, at no cost to any student for the 24-25 school year. For MMS, service times are: Breakfast: Mon/Tues: 10:30-10:45, Wed/Thurs: 10:10-10:25, Fri 8:00am-8:20am, Lunch, Mon/Tues: 11:35-12:10, Wed/Thurs: 12:00-12:35, Fri: 10:50-11:20.

UNOFFICIAL CLASS SCHEDULES: During GYSD, students can pick up their unofficial 2024-2025 class schedule. This is an unofficial schedule that is subject to change before the start of school. **Students' parents must complete the Data Confirmation process before students receive their draft schedule.** 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, 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 Middle 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 school with your documentation on or before Get Your Stuff Day.

ADDITIONAL ITEMS:

SMMUSD DISTRICT CALENDAR: The district calendar is available online. Please note the 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

MMS EVENTS CALENDAR: We are in the process of updating our school calendar with all of the 2024-2025 school year events! These are subject to change. However, it is a great place to look! See the events on the website, click HERE.

HEALTH OFFICE FORMS: <u>Here is information and required forms</u> from our Health Office if your student will need medication on campus or has any medical condition including seizures, anaphylaxis, asthma, or seizures.

MMS ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: Visit the MMS website at www.malibums.smmusd.org for additional information including Bell Schedules, Summer

Reading Lists, and other helpful links. Keep an eye on your email for upcoming <u>Monday Messages</u>.

FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL: The first day of school is Thursday, August 22nd. Students should arrive between 8:10am-8:35am for an 8:40am start of school. Official schedules will be distributed to middle school students in the middle school quad. Even if students believe there is an error in their schedule, they have to attend all the classes shown on their official schedule until it can be resolved with Ms. Whitehouse, MMS Counselor.

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. Please join today! Go to www.PTSAmalibu.membershiptoolkit.com

DONATE TO THE SHARK FUND: The Shark Fund is the primary fundraising organization for Malibu Middle and Malibu High Schools, providing funds raised to the PTSA, Athletic Booster Club and Arts Angels. Your donation helps to make Malibu secondary schools exceptional by supporting the efforts of these three organizations to infuse community, sports and the arts across our schools. Additionally, the Shark Fund directly supports the schools by supplementing staff and staffed programs not provided by the district. The Shark Fund is seeking 100% participation from parents. We request an annual donation of \$2,500 per student, but welcome any amount you are able to contribute. The Shark Fund is a parent volunteer run organization. If you have questions or would like to get involved, contact us at: thesharkfundorg@gmail.com. Please donate today: https://www.smmusd.org/Page/1256

BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB: Boys and Girls Club of Malibu is excited to welcome our members back for the 2024-2025 school year. BGC Teen Center enrollment forms, calendar, and program information for the academic school year will be posted on our website at www.bgcmalibu.org. We will be offering Social-Emotional Learning (SEL) Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI), youth advocacy, drug prevention, college and career readiness, and leadership programming throughout the school year. If you have any questions, please contact the Teen Center Director, Violet Way, at violetway@bgcmalibu.org.

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