MICHELLE AND BARACK OBAMA CENTER FOR INQUIRY AND EXPLORATION | FALL 2019 BUILDING FUTURES FROM THE FACILITY IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS OFFICE

OF THE SANTA MONICA-MALIBU UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT



We are approaching the completion of our modernization program of this campus. This two-year project is upgrading all of the rooms on campus with new flooring, windows, doors and air conditioning. We appreciate construction is challenging for everyone: students, faculty, staff, and parents, and we appreciate your patience. These needed improvements are making the school site a better facility for learning.

WHAT WE DID THIS SUMMER / WHAT'S LEFT

• Heating and air-conditioning upgrades are complete.

- A new shade structure has been installed behind room 303.
- Installation of new windows is near completion.

Installation of gutters, downspouts has been completed.
Furniture and equipment for rooms 306, 307, 401 and 403 will be installed in September.

• The Muir Woods mural has had all loose lead paint scraped away and has been encapsulated in clear coat to protect it and the environment.

• The office and room 303 are nearing completion and will be ready when school resumes.

• New signage reflecting the new campus' new name is being designed.

• We will finish installing benches on the Ocean Park side of the building.

• We are in the procurement process for acoustical panels that will go in the library.

 Renovations on four rooms have been put on hold so we can learn from the

first PBL class and use that experience to guide future improvements.



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THANK YOU We appreciate your support as we make improvements that are paid for with funds from bond measures ES and SMS.

THE NEW NAME

NEWLY NAMED MICHELLE AND BARACK OBAMA CENTER FOR INQUIRY AND EXPLORATION HOUSES OLYMPIC HIGH SCHOOL, PBL PATHWAY, MORE

The Santa Monica-Malibu USD Board of Education approved the naming of the facility housing Olympic High School, the new project-based learning pathway and potential future Capstone pathways, the adult education center, off-campus learning center and the independent study program.

Highlights of the project-based learning pathway for the first cohort of 9th graders include:

- Personalized, interest-based learning program.
 - Learning academic content fully aligned to California state standards, through integrated and rigorous real-world projects.

 "Leave to learn" for professional industry internships to connect interests to fieldwork, and to build skills and a professional network.

• PBL is a Samohi pathway and students will graduate with a Samohi diploma.

Interested in finding out more about the program, including how to apply? Go here: <u>https://bit.ly/2UsJfi7</u>

The Board of Education is working with district staff to develop plans toward improving the facilities to support the exciting programs.

Building on the completed modernization program, the district is considering an array of improvement options, including new buildings.

WHERE ELSE YOU CAN SEE PROGRESS



Complete modernization of library / media center, computer lab, science lab, auditorium (shown), and music lab.



The modernization project was largely completed, including new floors, paint, windows, doors and ceilings. It has updated and enhanced the entire campus.

LANDSCAPING



Upgraded external areas with new beds, large planters, and new concrete edging.

MISCELLANEOUS

• Removal of environmentally hazardous materials, which may have included lead, asbestos, and polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs). This remediation was done in accordance with Environmental Protection

Agency regulations and practices.

• Upgraded security and alarm system was installed.