

Ocean Park neighborhood school

Building Tomorrow's Future: Ocean Park neighborhood school

A neighborhood school that previously housed John Muir Elementary School (Muir) and the Santa Monica Alternative School House (SMASH) is being developed for the Ocean Park neighborhood. The neighborhood school will be built on the strengths and values of both (Muir/SMASH), the neighborhood school is evolving and expanding to provide social-emotionally focused and project-based learning model that has existed at the site for decades.



The campus construction is scheduled to be completed by the end of November 2025 allowing students and staff to move in by spring 2026.

The school will feature a unique identity, including a new name and branding, with further information provided in the coming months.

Adding Transitional Kindergarten (TK)

The new neighborhood school will add two TK classrooms, and add one kindergarten classroom, with the school serving TK-8th grade students. The school will continue to expand in future years with the plan of having two classes serving each grade at full capacity. Students currently enrolled in SMASH will continue at the Obama Center campus until the reopening of the new campus. If you are in the Ocean Park neighborhood with an incoming TK or kinder



student, we welcome you to enroll at SMASH for the 2025-26 school year to transition to the new campus with classmates and same teachers when it reopens during the school year.

Olympic High School will remain at Santa Monica College for the fall semester and will return to the Obama Center following the reopening of the Ocean Park neighborhood school.



Ocean Park neighborhood school Exterior photo showing school taking shape.



Ocean Park neighborhood school Crew member conducting water testing.



Ocean Park neighborhood school Crews painting doors.







