



Laurel School



Laurel School Upper Campus Neighborhood
Meeting

August 18, 2016

Agenda

- Introductions
- Construction Update
- MPCSD's involvement in the City's Safe Routes to School Efforts
- Operations at Elliott Drive, Oak Court, and Falk Court
- Crossing Guards, Bicycle Racks, Weekend Use, Dogs
- Clarify School Operations and Transportation
- Questions/Comments
- Next Steps



Introductions

- Maurice Ghysels, MPCSD Superintendent
- Linda Creighton, Principal
- Ellen Kraska, Assistant Principal
- Ahmad Sheikholeslami, Chief Business and Operations Officer (CBOO)
- Emily Tracy, Assistant to CBOO



Linda Creighton



Ellen Kraska

Construction Update

- The entire construction team is concentrating their efforts to complete the project and open the school on October 17, 2016.
- Some activities such as completion of the field, landscaping, and building punch-list activities will extend beyond October 17, 2016.
- Construction will continue Mon-Sat for remainder of project
 - M-F: 7am to 6pm
 - Sat: 8am to 5pm



"The new Upper Campus will be the jewel of the community. Through its innovative design and engineering it will foster greater student engagement and collaboration that will enhance the educational learning experience."

Construction Update



- Voters approved Measure W in November 2013.
- Construction began with building demolition in June 2015.
- Structural Steel erection was completed in December 2015.



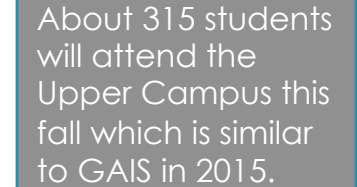
MPCSD's involvement in the City's Safe Routes to School Efforts

City's Draft Improvement plans:

- <https://www.menlopark.org/documentcenter/view/10753>
- Agenda Topic for City Council Meeting on August 23, 2016 at 7PM

- MPCSD supports the City's and community's efforts to make walking and biking safer to the schools.
- MPCSD defers to the City to engage with the residents and determine the best course of action including parking restrictions on local streets.
- MPCSD and City staff meet regularly to discuss operational issues.
- MPCSD supports City efforts to apply for Safe Route to School Grants to make improvements to the roadways.

This map displays the Menlo Oaks neighborhood in San Jose, California. The neighborhood is outlined in a thick black line and filled with a dark gray color. Key streets shown include Bayside Ave, Greenwood Dr, Bay Rd, Greenoaks Dr, Rosewood Dr, Lupin Ln, Fredrick Ave, Ringwood Ave, Oakland Ave, Menlo Oaks Dr, Berkeley Ave, Colby Ave, Warehouse Rd, Rockwood Ave, Oak Ave, Chester St, Durham St, Okeefe St, Laurel Ave, Central Ave, Menalto Ave, Oak Ct, Woodland Ave, University Ave, Lincoln Ave, Forest Ave, Center Dr, Edgewood Dr, Hamilton Dr, Seneca Dr, Hale St, University Ave, Palo Alto Ave, Concord Dr, Lexington Dr, Marmona Dr, McKendry Dr, Willow Rd, Santa Monica Ave, Santa Margarita Ave, Arlington Way, Coleman Ave, Toyon Rd, Encino Rd, Oak Grove Ave, De Bell Dr, Linden Ave, Middlefield Rd, Glenwood Ave, Hawthorne Dr, Laborum Rd, Catalpa Dr, Deodora Dr, Greenoaks Dr, Hedge Rd, Greenwood Dr, Bayside Ave, Terminal Ave, Hill Ave, Modoc Ave, Hamilton Ave, Henderson Ave, Windmere Ave, Hollyburne Ave, Sevier Ave, Madera Ave, Carlton Ave, O'Brien Dr, Kayavanaugh Dr, Gloria Way, Bay Rd, Glen Way, Weeks St, East Palo Alto, Capitol Ave, Bell St, Donohoe St, E Okeefe St, Oak Cr, Woodland Ave, University Ave, Center Dr, Forest Ave, Hamilton Dr, Seneca Dr, Hale St, University Ave, Palo Alto Ave, Concord Dr, Lexington Dr, Marmona Dr, McKendry Dr, Willow Rd, Santa Monica Ave, Santa Margarita Ave, Arlington Way, Coleman Ave, Toyon Rd, Encino Rd, Oak Grove Ave, De Bell Dr, Linden Ave, Middlefield Rd, Glenwood Ave, Hawthorne Dr, Laborum Rd, Catalpa Dr, Deodora Dr, Greenoaks Dr, Hedge Rd, Greenwood Dr, Bayside Ave. The map also shows several landmarks, including a blue house icon, a blue car icon, and a blue bus icon. A 'Measure Distance' tool is visible in the top right corner. The map is labeled 'Menlo Oaks' in the center.



The school includes 16 classrooms, 3 specialty classrooms, Library, gym, stage, offices, support spaces, and collaboration areas.

Operations at Elliott Drive, Oak Court, and Falk Court



Parking has space for 53 cars.

Large drop off/pick up queue to reduce impact to residents.

Additional 30+ cars can stack in the queue.

During non school hours cars can park in drop off lane.



Operations at Elliott Drive, Oak Court, and Falk Court



- Elliott Drive
 - Main School Entrance
 - Entrance for automobiles, pedestrians, and bicycles
 - No controls to parking lot entrance
- Oak Court
 - Gated Entrance for Buses and Emergency and Service Vehicles Only
 - Open Pedestrian and bicycle entrance
- Falk Court
 - Locked Emergency and Service Vehicle Gate
 - Pedestrian and Bicycle Gate (need to determine operation of this gate)
 - The gate was locked at all times prior to this project

Security cameras will be monitoring the site 24/7 around the school building.

School building will have a burglar and Fire Alarm system with 24/7 monitoring.

Crossing Guards, Bicycle Racks, Weekend Use, Dogs



- MPCSD contracts out with a crossing guard company or uses school personnel to assist students to cross streets at school entrances.
- For Laurel Upper Campus the District is considering two crossing guards
 - Elliott Drive and O'Connor
 - School entrance
- MPCSD supports the expansion of City wide effort to place crossing guards at critical intersections to increase walking and biking for all students to all schools.

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Crossing Guards, Bicycle Racks, Weekend Use, Dogs

- The Upper Campus will have space for approximately 150 bicycles. Additional racks can be installed as needed.
- The school will be open to the public after school hours and on weekends.
- Afterschool programs will be offered at the school.
- Outside organization can request facility and field use. [Click here for more information.](#)
- Dogs are not allowed on campus per School Board Policy at any time.



MPCSD supports the use of the District's school facilities as Civic Centers and recognizes that many activities benefit the youth of the community and contributes to the educational experiences of pupils and contributes to the general welfare of the community by housing important activities.

School Operations and Transportation



- Schedule for 2016/17 Starting on October 17, 2016

Campus	M,T,W, & F		Thursday		Minimum Day
	Start	End	Start	End	End
Lower Campus (K-2)	8:25 AM	2:55 PM	8:25 AM	2:00 PM	11:45 AM
Upper Campus (3-5)	8:35 AM	3:15 PM	8:35 AM	2:10 PM	11:45 AM

- MPCSD plans to provide busing to reduce traffic in the morning and afternoon to resident students and students from RWSD boundary area. [Click here for MPCSD transportation information.](#)
- Laurel School and the PTO will provide education and encouragement to reduce single car student drop off/pick up.
 - Biking, walking, busing, and carpooling
 - Drop off / pick up area will be staffed and have a system
 - Education on neighborhood parameters and responsibilities



Next Steps

- MPCSD listens to comments and concerns
- Email your comments to etracy@mpcsd.org
- We meet again in September 26, 2016
 - District will discuss plans for the Falk Dr. entrance
- School Opens October 17, 2016
- Grand Opening / Celebration TBD (November)
- We will continue to meet and work together



Thank You.....



BE PATIENT! BE POSITIVE!