



MALIBU HIGH SCHOOL

MONDAY MESSAGE – January 26th, 2026

Dear Malibu High School Students and Families,

As we move further into the second semester, I want to acknowledge the continued effort our students are putting into their learning and growth. This point in the semester is an important time to reflect, refocus, and recommit to finishing the year strong.

Consistent attendance and daily engagement remain essential to student success. Regular attendance is one of the strongest predictors of student success, and we appreciate our families' partnership in prioritizing students being at school each day.

We encourage students to keep pushing forward, ask for support when needed, and take advantage of the many resources available through our teachers, counselors, and staff. Growth often comes from persistence, and every day at school is an opportunity to build momentum.

Thank you for your continued support and partnership as we work together to ensure a strong and successful remainder of the semester.

Thank you,
Adam Almeida
Principal, Malibu High School

This Week's Schedule:

Monday, January 26th - Regular Schedule

Tuesday, January 27th - Regular Schedule

Wednesday, January 28th - Block Schedule (1,3,5)

Thursday, January 29th - Block Schedule (2,4,6)

Friday, January 30th - Minimum Day Schedule

SCHOOL NEWS AND INFORMATION:

 Boys' golf season starts soon! Do you want to play boys' golf for MHS? Please make sure you have a current physical on file, are cleared through athletic clearance.com and plan to attend an informational lunch meeting in Room C-201 on Friday, January 30th. Tryouts and practice will begin Feb. 11th and team pictures are scheduled for February 23rd! Our first match is currently scheduled for March 3rd. We will need to order our team shirts in time for pictures. See Coach Deshautelle in Room C-201 with any questions or send an email to adeshautelle@smmusd.org. Thank you!

 Parents of Juniors: Malibu High School will be offering the SAT for FREE to all juniors on Friday, March 27th during the school day. Juniors do not need to register on College Board, Ms. Snyder will take care of this part. Our friends at Revolution Prep has offered to take \$100 off any small group courses for our families. To access this and for more information: The code is SGC-100-26-A and this is the link to the class schedule - <https://www.revolutionprep.com/programs/small-group-courses/>

 Attention all 9th - 12th graders! The Spring CSF drive is January 26-30. Please see your counselors during lunchtime outside of the high school student store at the CSF table. Bring \$5 and complete your application. The annual Universal Studios field trip application and awards breakfast invitation will be given to qualifying members. You must be a CURRENT CSF member to attend the breakfast and the field trip.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

👧 Girls Soccer Senior Night will be 5:30 pm Monday, January 26. Come support the team and our senior girls! We will have the Rice Balls of Fire food truck 🏈🔥

COMMUNITY INFORMATION:

Malibu Ed Foundation

THIS IS OUR MOMENT is MEF's current giving campaign. Parent and community donations at any level help support staffing and continuity across all four Malibu schools — including math tutors at Malibu Middle & High (a key resource as state testing approaches), strength & conditioning coaches, a community service liaison, and a musical accompanist supporting student programs.

MEF's work complements that of the Shark Fund, which supports our booster organizations to fund student programs and materials — PTSA, Arts Angels, and the Athletic Booster Club — and we encourage families to support both efforts.

Families who have not yet contributed are encouraged to consider making a donation at a level that works for them:

<https://www.malibueducationfoundation.org/donate>

Thank you to our Food For Thought restaurant partners (Marmalade Cafe, OLLO, Howdy's Malibu, and Malibu Sushi by Howdy) and to the families who participated by dining locally in support of Malibu schools.

The Shark Fund

The Shark Fund financially supports the PTSA, Arts Angels, and Athletic Booster Club by funding the programs and resources that enrich the student experience at Malibu Middle and High School. These efforts depend entirely on community support and make possible student safety initiatives, arts programming support, athletic equipment, uniforms, and promotion — the “extras” that bring school life to life but are not covered by public funding.

As of now, The Shark Fund is at **27% of its annual fundraising goal**. Without additional donations, some programs may need to be reduced. Contributions at any level help sustain the programs that support student safety, creativity, and athletic opportunity.

If you have not yet donated to the Shark Fund, please consider making a donation at any level to help support the efforts of these parent volunteer-led organizations.

Donate today at thesharkfundmalibu.org

PTSA

How to Become an Approved School Volunteer: In three easy steps!

V.I.V. — Very Important Volunteer

Step 1: Fill-out school/district paperwork: [LINK HERE](#)

Step 2: Come into the front office (please call ahead) to complete the TB questionnaire (in-person) and Verkada safety screening (in-person) with Tiffany Mulligan (MMS) or Sam Duran (MHS).

Step 3: Review/watch training slides/video (you can do this during your office visit for step 2). [Link to slides HERE](#)

Next Steps: Volunteer Opportunities at Malibu Middle & High School

Once you are an approved volunteer, there are many ways to get involved, including:

- Front office support
- Classroom assistance
- Special events and school activities
- Lunch and passing period support
- General campus support

To get started, please contact:

Tiffany Mulligan MMS – tmulligan@smmusd.org

Sam Duran MHS— sduran@smmusd.org

Thank you for supporting the Malibu Middle and High School community!

Dare to Prepare Malibu

 REGISTER NOW | Free In-Person Workshop

Pre-permit teens & their parents

Brought to you by MMS & MHS PTSA as part of our #SafeOnPCH initiative 

 Monday, February 9, 2026

 3:30–5:30 PM

 Malibu Middle School

Learning to drive is a big milestone — and preparation matters. This FREE, 2-hour AAA workshop helps families feel confident before teens get behind the wheel.

- ✓ Graduated Driver Licensing
- ✓ Risks & responsibilities of driving
- ✓ Parents' role in the learning process
- ✓ How to pick a safe vehicle
- ✓ What to look for in a driving school

 Free resources & giveaways for attendees!

 Register at AAA.com/Safety4Teens (QR code on flyer)

Together, we're building safer drivers — and safer roads — for Malibu.

BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB OF MALIBU TEEN CENTER:

Boys & Girls Club of Malibu (BGCM) is committed to youth and community resilience by providing a supportive and inclusive environment where children can thrive academically, socially, and emotionally. Through exceptional customer service and impactful after-school programs, we focus on academic success, character

development, and health and wellness, catering to the unique needs of Malibu's youth. By addressing the needs of families, we foster a sense of safety, support, and community engagement, promoting a brighter future for all!

- **BGCM Academic Year Enrollment** For grades 6th-12th. BGCM is committed to providing a curriculum that will include a variety of activities geared towards fun, educational, and social experiences.
 - Due to the impact the fire has had on our community, the Teen Center is offering a no cost membership by entering **UNIQUE CODE: TEENMEMBERSHIP25**. [Click here](#) to enroll and see the attached letter for personal testimonial that highlights some of the benefits of joining the Club!
Please note, you will still need to enter your CC information to process the application, but if the UNIQUE CODE is entered, you will not be charged.
 - Programs include: Kindness Is Free, Manners Matter, Brent's Club, Managers in Training, Career Launch, social emotional wellness, STEM based projects, arts & crafts, and more!

Programs

Brent's Club is where peers come together to support one another, learn about living healthy and drug-free lifestyles, and build leadership skills for the future. Through fun activities and open conversations, members strengthen friendships, explore positive choices, and take an active role in creating a safe, supportive school community. Next meeting: **Monday, January 26** — during lunch (lunch is included!) For more information, contact: [**hannahmatheson@bgcmalibu.org**](mailto:hannahmatheson@bgcmalibu.org)

Homework Help

Looking for extra academic support for your child? BGCM provides homework help for all subjects and grade levels on **Tuesdays and Thursdays from 3:00–5:00 PM**, helping students stay on track and feel confident with their schoolwork.

Wellness

BGCM Wellness Center provides no-cost mental health counseling and social support services to our school community. The Wellness Center also provides **FREE** academic tutoring in **Math, Chemistry, English, and Social Sciences** through our **partnership**

with **Pepperdine**, available during the support period and after school at Malibu High School. Stop by to explore the space, meet our new Wellness Center team, and make an appointment for any of our services! [Click here](#) to learn more and email wellnessinfo@bgcmalibu.org or call 310-457-0360 ext 60146 to request services for you/your child.

Upcoming Wellness Center Events

A YEAR AFTER THE WILDFIRES: COPING WITH PERSISTENT GRIEF AND LOSS with Dr. David J. Schonfeld, M.D.

This session will explore how trauma, grief, and loss can continue to affect children and adults in the year following the wildfires. The one-year mark can unexpectedly bring up emotions, stress, or exhaustion, even for those who thought they had already moved forward. We will discuss the ripple effects of loss and ongoing stress, share practical ways to support children as they cope, and create space for questions and conversation. Together, we'll focus on healing, resilience, and supporting families as they continue to move forward.

- **In-Person at BGCM Disaster Recovery Center in Malibu - TUESDAY, JANUARY 27TH from 10:00-11:00 AM**
 - [Click here to RSVP](#)

BGCM Long Term Disaster Recovery Services The Boys & Girls Club of Malibu Disaster Recovery Center (DRC) in partnership with The Malibu Community Long Term Recovery Group (MCLTRG) is here to support Palisades and Franklin Fire survivors with long-term recovery services. Our dedicated **Care Coordination Team** is ready to assist those who qualify with:

- Personalized recovery planning: We will collaborate to identify your most pressing current and ongoing needs, creating a recovery plan tailored to your individual situation.
- Resource connection: We will help you access the latest available support and resources by assessing your individual needs and connecting you to available resources based on qualifying criteria.
- Advocacy: You won't navigate this alone. By understanding community needs, we can advocate for increased financial resources for the community.

To be connected with a Care Coordinator, please email drc@bgcmalibu.org.