

MALIBU MIDDLE SCHOOL

MONDAY MESSAGE – SEPTEMBER 21, 2026



Schedule this Week:

Monday, September 21st - No School - Local Holiday

Tuesday, September 22nd - Regular Schedule

Wednesday, September 23rd - Regular Schedule

Thursday, September 24th - **Minimum Schedule (HS B2SN)**

Friday, September 25th - Minimum Schedule

SCHOOL NEWS AND INFORMATION:

APPLY FOR THE METRO YOUTH COUNCIL: The Metro Youth Council is looking for 14 - 17 year olds to be part of the council for the term beginning in January 2027. Apply here: www.metro.net/youthcouncil. Metro Youth Council was created to develop the capacity of young people to be advocates and participate in Metro's projects, programs, and initiatives. Members will serve a one year term, attend monthly virtual meetings, participate in Metro events, and provide a youth perspective on various projects and programs. Apply now through September 29th.

AFTER SCHOOL TUTORING: After school Math tutoring is available after school on Wednesdays and Thursdays with Ms. Jarman in the library. No appointment needed - just stop in!

MIDDLE SCHOOL ASB CARDS: Middle School ASB cards are on sale now in the student store or online student store for \$90 for the school year. Perks include free admission to all High School Athletics home games, all MS ASB events- Dances, Movie Nights and 20% off student store merchandise!

ITEM DROPOFF CHANGES: While your parents are welcome to leave lunches, water bottles, jackets, etc, in the Attendance Office, we can no longer interrupt classrooms to let students know to come and get their things. You can always come down to Attendance to see if something has been dropped off or call your contacts from a "land line" if you forgot something.

THIS WEEK AT MMS:

NO SCHOOL: MMS and all SMMUSD schools will be closed on September 21st for a local holiday.

MINIMUM DAY: **September 24** will be a Minimum Day with 1:35 pm dismissal to allow for the MHS Back to School Night.

PTSA GENERAL MEETING: The next PTSA meeting will be Thursday, September 24th at 9:00 am in the Parent Center. For more information, please see the message in the Community Information section below.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

MAKE UP PICTURE DAY: Students who did not get their picture taken on August 24th will be able to take their picture for School ID's, the yearbook, and school pictures to purchase on **Monday, September 28th**.

POMS: Our next POMS meeting will take place on Friday, October 9th when Michael Burke will present information about the continuing construction project, timelines, and will answer questions. Join us at 9:00 am in the Parent Center.

COMMUNITY INFORMATION:

FROM THE MALIBU PTSA: Do you want to know what is going on with the construction on the middle school and high school campuses? Are you curious to hear when the new Aquatics Center, Performing Arts Center, and more will open and what the next phases of construction are for this year and beyond? If so, then plan to attend the next Malibu PTSA General Meeting on Thursday, September 24 at 9:00 a.m. in the Malibu Middle School Parent Center or via the virtual Zoom option (<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84827716669?pwd=b4W8F80Ps1JuGyH0B4lBx9d15Ogmlz.1>; Meeting ID: 848 2771 6669; Passcode: 529373).

On September 24, the Malibu PTSA will host a special guest from the Malibu Facility District Advisory Committee, or M-FDAC, to share an update with you on current construction projects, provide an overview of the planned phases of construction on our campuses, and answer questions from parents, teachers, and staff members. As usual, we will vote on the meeting minutes and treasurer's report.

The Malibu PTSA thanks the parents and teachers who made the effort to attend our first General Meeting of the school year on August 27. Principal Almeida shared an update on the start-of-school. Parents heard from The Arts Angels Committee, Parent Resource Network, Welcoming Committee, and more. We reviewed the budget and discussed fundraising with Karen Porat from The Shark Fund.

The best way to support Malibu PTSA middle school and high school enrichment programs for theater, music, art, photography, MMS athletics, PRN, robotics, AI, mindfulness, Be Safe on PCH, safety awareness, and more is to donate to The Shark Fund. Thank you.

Lastly, Michel Shane has written an approximately 100-page book on teenager driver safety entitled "Eyes Up: A Teenager's Hacker's Guide to Staying Alive." He is seeking six (6) teenage students to read the book and provide him feedback on "what works and what doesn't." If your student is interested, please contact Michel at michel@emilyshane.org.

SUPPORT MALIBU STUDENTS: GIVE TO MEF THIS YEAR: Community giving keeps the sunny days going. The Malibu Education Foundation funds instructional aides, tutors, coaches, academic recovery & acceleration, and support staff across *all four* Malibu schools — the extra support our students need, at every grade level, to succeed. 100% stays in Malibu. At MMS, MEF funds math and academic tutors, a musical accompanist, strength and conditioning coaches, and secured a grant for targeted tutoring support. MEF is also pursuing funding for a student broadcasting program. Start with \$25, that funds a student for a week. Every gift helps. Give at MalibuEducationFoundation.org/donate

The Shark Fund needs your support too. Both matter, and neither replaces the other.
Mark your calendar:

✴ MEF Gala — October 17 (info and tickets: <https://onecau.se/mefgala>)

✴ Malibu Moves — October 24–25 (Use code MEF26 for 10% off at malibumoves.com)

✴ Tree Lot — November 27–December 13

BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB OF MALIBU TEEN CENTER:

At the Boys & Girls Club of Malibu, our mission is to significantly enhance the lives of all youth to fulfill their potential as caring, productive, and contributing citizens. Through 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!

ACADEMIC YEAR ENROLLMENT: [Click here](#) and see the attached flyer to learn more and enroll in our upcoming Academic Year program at the Teen Center.

Available to grades 6th-12th. 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!

BGCM ON-CAMPUS PROGRAMS: High school students who only participate in on-campus programs (such as Brent's Club and Goals for Graduation) can register using our short enrollment form. Membership is free and helps us communicate with parents/guardians about these programs. **If your child already has a BGCM membership, no additional registration is needed.** [BGCM Short Teen Enrollment Form](#). For questions or more information, please contact **Tyler Hawkins**, at tylerhawkins@bgcmalibu.org.

BRENT'S CLUB: 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, September 28th — during lunch (lunch is included!) For more information, contact: hannamatheson@bgcmalibu.org

GOALS FOR GRADUATION is where peers will reflect on what they hope to accomplish before graduating high school and begin thinking about their future. Through guided discussion and activities, participants will identify academic, personal, and career goals while creating realistic steps they can take now to work toward them. Next meeting: Monday, October 5th — during lunch (lunch is included!) For more information, contact: hannamatheson@bgcmalibu.org

THE BOYS & GIRLS CLUB OF MALIBU WELLNESS CENTER provides no-cost mental health counseling and social support services to our school community. Stop by to explore the space, meet our Wellness Center team, and make an appointment for any of our services! [Click here](#) to learn more and email wellnessinfo@bgcmlibu.org or call 310-457-0360 ext 60146 to request services for you/your child.

LONG TERM DISASTER RECOVERY SERVICES The Malibu Community Long Term Recovery Group (A Disaster Recovery Coalition established by the Boys & Girls Club of Malibu) is here to support Franklin and Palisades Fire survivors with long-term recovery services. Our dedicated Care Coordination Team is ready to assist those who qualify with:

- Personalized recovery planning: Working to identify your most pressing current and ongoing needs and creating a recovery plan tailored to your individual situation.
- Resource connection: Helping 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@bgcmlibu.org.