



# INTRODUCTIONS

## Today's Presenters:



- *In addition to today's presenters, the City Team is well-suited to support school district separation. Both in-house City staff and consulting team have educational expertise and resources to address the reorganization efforts.*

## REASONS FOR PETITION

The Malibu City Council and our constituents strongly feel it is in the best interest of Malibu area residents to separate from the Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District (SM-MUSD).

- Malibu students are being severely disadvantaged in terms of academic offerings, quality of facilities, and convenient access to district personnel, activities, or services.
- Malibu residents do not have a voice in our students' educational needs due to the relative size of the Malibu voter base as compared to the Santa Monica voter base.
- The Santa Monica-based School District and leadership do not understand the issues and needs of the Malibu community.

**All interested parties**—including the City of Malibu, SM-MUSD Board of Education, and Santa Monica City Council—have all publicly stated that separation makes sense.

# UNIFICATION INITIATED BY 10% PETITION OR LOCAL AGENCY

The City's Petition is currently at the Preliminary Public Hearing Phase in the process

Initiated by Voter Petition (1) or Local Agency Resolution (2). EC §35721

Public Hearing Held. EC §35721

Petition Granted? EC §35721(d)

Yes

Adopt a Tentative Recommendation. EC §35720.5 & §35721(d)

recommend within 60 days

Notice of Public Hearing. EC §5362, §5363, §35705, §35705.5, & §35720.5  
Notice to LAFCO EC §35721.5

10 days

Public Hearings Held. EC §35721 & §35720.5

Review Criteria of EC §35753.

recommend within 120 days

No

County Committee Adopts Final Recommendation? EC §35722

Yes

Petition, Final Recommendation, and Report Transmitted to State Board. EC §35722

Hearing Date Set and Notification of Hearing Given. EC §35752

Public Hearings Held. EC §35754

Petition Approved? EC §35753 & §35754 (3)

Yes

Notice Sent to County Superintendent. EC §35755

ELECTION CALLED

No

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During the typical reorganization process, the Committee will review the Criteria of EC §35753 (the 9 Criteria)

The Committee is being asked to grant the **Petition**, not approve the reorganization at this time

## MALIBU COMMUNITY MEMBERS PROVIDING TESTIMONY TODAY

Wade Major, Malibu Parent and Former SM-MUSD Student

Christian Pierce, Former SM-MUSD Student

Rick Mullen, LA County Fire Captain, Former Malibu Mayor

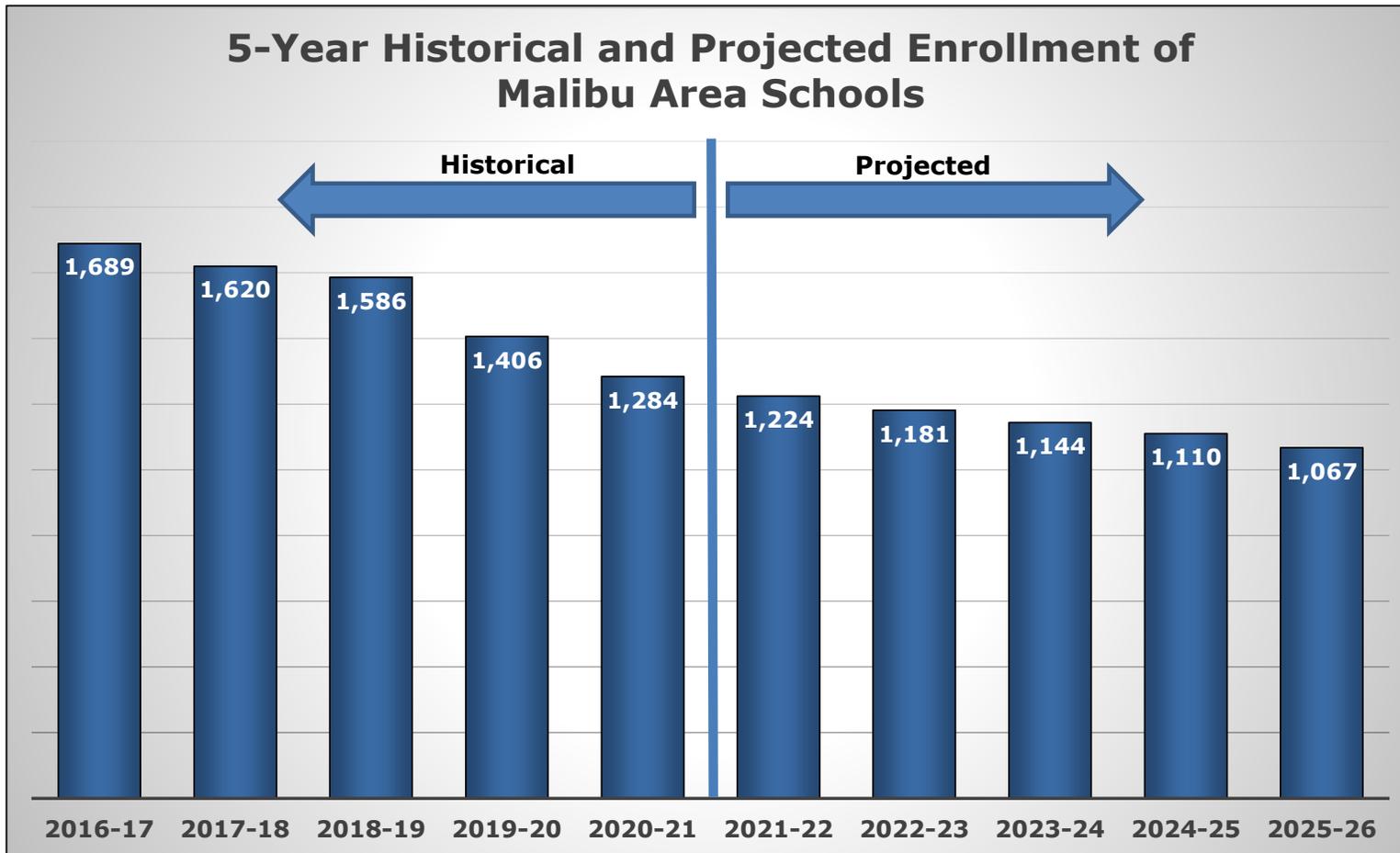
Yalile Pieper, Former Bilingual Community Liaison for SM-MUSD

Francis Molina, SM-MUSD Student

Steven Ravaglioli, Former SM-MUSD Music Teacher

Chloe Loquet, SM-MUSD Student

# ALTHOUGH ENROLLMENT IS NOT PROJECTED TO MEET THE 1,500 STUDENT THRESHOLD, THE INTENT OF THE CONDITION IS MET



- “The intent of this section is to discourage district reorganizations that result in districts that, because of small size and reduced revenues, become more dependent upon the local COE or the State for administrative support or funding.”

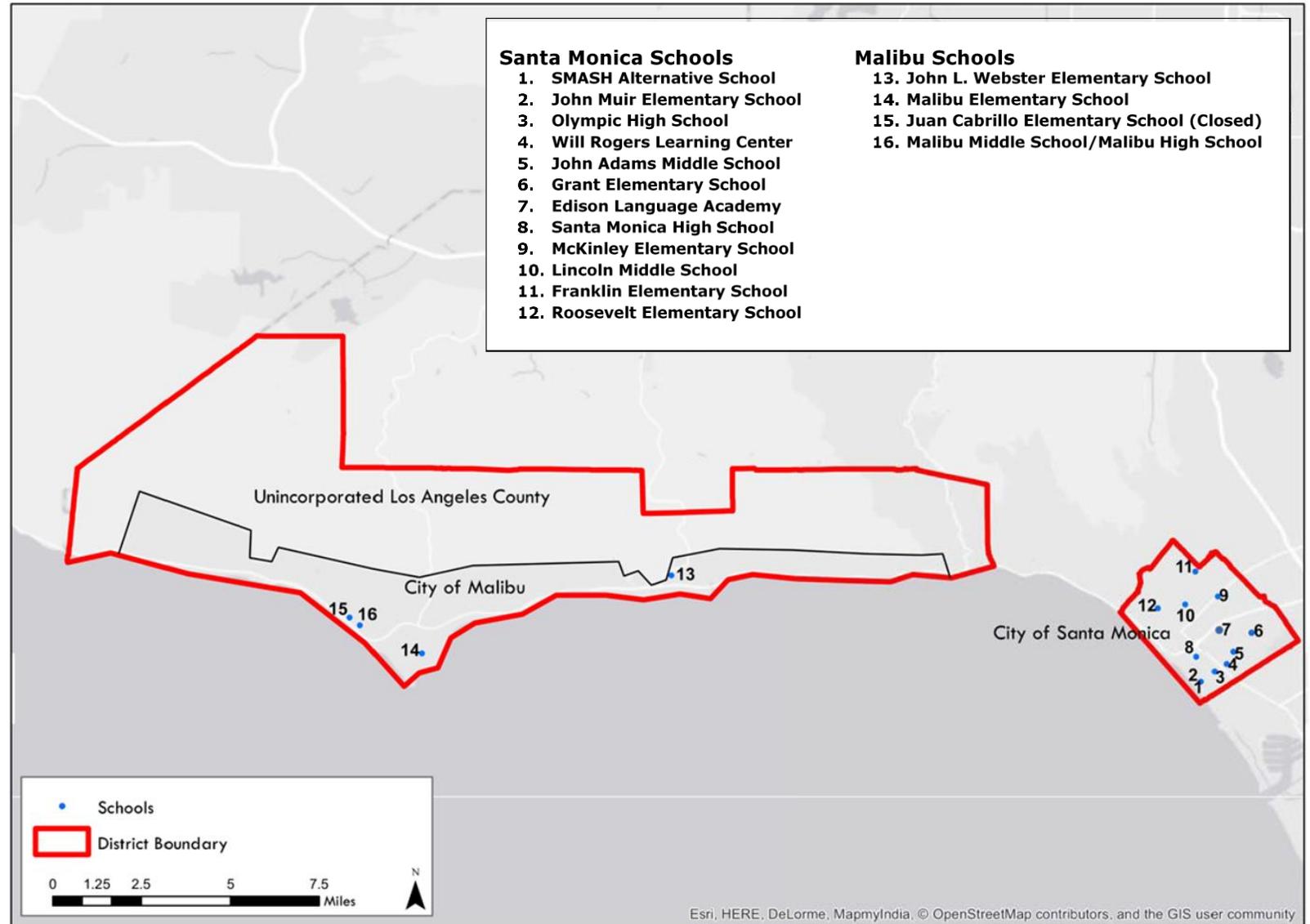
*-School Services of California, Los Angeles County Office of Education Reorganization Feasibility Study, May 21, 2021*

## MALIBU & SANTA MONICA ARE VERY SEPARATE & DISTINCT COMMUNITIES

“To determine whether the new district is organized on the basis of substantial community identity, the following criteria should be considered:

- (A) Isolation.
- (B) Geography.
- (C) Distance between social centers.
- (D) Distance between school centers.
- (E) Topography.
- (F) Weather.
- (G) Community, school, and social ties and other circumstances peculiar to the area.”

*-California Code of Regulations §18573(a)(2)*



## Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District

Date: 2/21/2017

# POST-REORGANIZATION, BOTH DISTRICTS WILL BE IN THE TOP 5 IN LA COUNTY WITH REGARDS TO OPERATING REVENUE PER STUDENT

## 2019-20 LA County Ranking of Per Student Funding for Unified School Districts as Provided in LACOE's Public School Financial Report

District (Unified)	Total LCFF Revenue	Total Other Local Revenue	Enrollment	LCFF Funding Per Student	All Operating Revenue Per Student	Rank Overall
Beverly Hills	\$57,285,464	\$15,374,886	4,146	\$13,817	\$17,525	1
Acton- Agua Dulce	\$10,419,509	\$7,389,531	1,097	\$9,498	\$16,234	2
<b>Santa Monica Malibu</b>	<b>\$101,501,395</b>	<b>\$53,849,229</b>	<b>10,298</b>	<b>\$9,856</b>	<b>\$15,086</b>	<b>3</b>
San Marino	\$26,179,834	\$13,294,416	2,916	\$8,978	\$13,537	4
Los Angeles	\$5,651,908,517	\$170,057,235	434,190	\$13,017	\$13,409	5
<b>OTHER DISTRICTS OF INTEREST</b>						
Compton	\$237,420,344	\$7,153,989	20,398	\$11,639	\$11,990	
Downey	\$227,611,658	\$26,908,236	21,986	\$10,353	\$11,576	
Newhall	\$56,820,351	\$4,934,771	6,265	\$9,069	\$9,857	
Las Virgenes	\$97,019,409	\$9,942,067	11,385	\$8,522	\$9,395	
Manhattan Beach	\$56,415,417	\$16,081,045	6,513	\$8,662	\$11,131	
Palos Verdes	\$96,856,649	\$21,482,052	11,006	\$8,800	\$10,752	
Rowland	\$148,183,374	\$4,746,366	12,886	\$11,500	\$11,868	
Torrance	\$211,663,738	\$10,800,232	23,107	\$9,160	\$9,628	
William S Hart	\$202,732,293	\$21,994,270	22,595	\$8,972	\$9,946	

Based on the City's proposed funding model:

- Malibu USD would have total per student funding of \$16,624, ranking them **2<sup>nd</sup> in LA County**
- Santa Monica USD would have total per student funding of \$15,702, ranking them **4<sup>th</sup> in LA County**

Source: 2019-20 LA County Public Schools Financial Report (Tables 2, 6).

## MOVING FORWARD

- The City still believes there is an opportunity for a negotiated separation, with the help of LACOE and School Services.
- In the meantime, the City asks the County Committee to remember... this is a preliminary public hearing.
- The question before you is whether the City has demonstrated enough evidence to show that its Petition deserves additional consideration and research.
  - The petition before you not only is sufficient, but also has significant merit and need.