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SHARING

MONTA LOMA

Regular updates on shared community use of the school fields at Monta
Loma Elementary for the residents of the Monta Loma neighborhood
from the Mountain View Whisman School District
in collaboration with the City of Mountain View



NEW COMMUNICATION TO RESIDENTS

The Mountain View Whisman School District and the City of Mountain View are beginning their work on a joint exploration to best maximize school/community use of Monta Loma Elementary greenspace. This newsletter will come to you each month. Please see the reverse side for a summary of this topic.

THE LATEST

Architect to be hired: On June 18, the MVWSD Board of Trustees voted to make the redesign of the Monta Loma greenspace a Priority 1 project. This means that the District will set aside funds for hiring an architectural firm. Once the architect is on board, MVWSD and the City will partner throughout the design and community engagement process. To view the presentation, please click here: http://mvw.sd/xEbE8

Public Access: MVWSD and the City have launched a pilot program to provide public access to areas of the Monta Loma greenspace while summer school is in session (through July 9). Public access will be limited to the designated areas (outside the yellow cones) during the school hours of 7:30am to 4:00pm. The public will have full access to the fields outside of school hours. These temporary markers help the community and students stay safe during the school day. Please click here for more info: http://mvw.sd/jdPFs





= A-Frame with Informational Signage

= Cone to help delineate space

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MONTA LOMA GREENSPACE: A SYNOPSIS

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Student and staff safety is very important. While many of us enjoy the open campus feel, the reality is our staff members regularly have to approach people on campus who are not authorized to be there.

Measure T provides funding for safety measures, such as perimeter fencing. When the idea of fencing was proposed last fall, residents voiced concerns about how fencing would affect shared community access to Monta Loma School fields. No changes or limits to public use outside of school hours (7:30 am - 4:00 pm) were proposed.

To find a solution, the Monta Loma Working Group was formed in February and consisted of community members, teachers/staff, City representatives, and parents.

We appreciate the time and effort on the part of the Working Group. The discussions of the group Mountain View Whisman School District 1400 Montecito Ave. Mountain View, CA 94043

illuminated that there are multiple needs to be addressed in order for the field to serve both the school and community. The District and City will work on a redesign of the field area. As the City and the District work to define a process, there is no intention to add new permanent fencing. MVWSD and the City will work together to guide the design process and to hold multiple meetings to hear community input.

Thank you for your interest and support of our community!

MONTA LOMA GREENSPACE PROJECT: A TIMELINE

March 3, 2020 ballot: Measure T passes, providing the district with facility improvement bond funding.

Feb 25, 2021: First Monta Loma Perimeter Security
Working Group meeting. The working group's task was
to make sure MVWSD heard all of the considerations
regarding the shared use at the campus and build
consensus around a solution that works for
stakeholder groups according to the goals outlined.
This working group was composed of a total of 9
members; representatives of the community, school
staff, parents, and City of Mountain View.

March 18, 2021: Monta Loma Perimeter Control Working Group Update at Board Meeting

May 27, 2021: Monta Loma Perimeter Security
Working Group meeting. The discussions of the group
illuminated that there are multiple items to be
addressed for the field to serve both the school and
community. As a result, the District and City of
Mountain View propose a redesign of the field area.

June 17, 2021: Monta Loma Greenspace Reconfiguration presentation at Board Meeting. Field reorientation at Monta Loma added as a Priority 1 project (Perimeter controls was listed as a Priority 1 project for all sites).

