



# City of Malibu

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Dr. Allison Deegan  
Regionalized Business Services Coordinator  
Los Angeles County Office of Education  
Committee on School District Organization  
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RE: Petition for Unification of a Malibu Unified School District

Dear Dr. Deegan:

At its Regular meeting on February 26, 2018, the Malibu City Council directed me to advise you that the City requests that LACOE move forward with its process to separate Malibu from the Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District and form a Malibu Unified School District (MUSD).

On August 31, 2017, the City officially submitted to LACOE its petition for the unification of a new MUSD. The City then continued to work with SMMUSD on alternate paths to achieve separation through an agreement that was both reasonable and fair to both the Santa Monica and Malibu communities. However, negotiations with SMMUSD have not been successfully concluded as of this date and, thus far, do not indicate that an agreement will be reached. Therefore, the City requests LACOE proceed with its process to achieve unification of a district that will more equitably serve the Malibu community and its children.

Please let me know what the next steps are in this process and what further information is required. If you wish to discuss this directly, you can contact me at (310) 456-2489 extension 226 or [RFeldman@malibucity.org](mailto:RFeldman@malibucity.org).

Sincerely,

Reva Feldman  
City Manager

cc: Mayor Mullen and Honorable Members of the Malibu City Council