



**SERVING PRESCHOOL THROUGH GRADE 12**

# **NEW FAMILY ORIENTATION**





# MISSION

We are a diverse learning community dedicated to creative, intellectual and ethical growth. We support our students to become caring, self-aware, discerning and articulate individuals. We believe a fulfilling life includes personal accomplishments, meaningful relationships, and service to society.





# ACCREDITATION



This year, Mount Madonna School has been granted a seven-year accreditation with a mid-cycle visit from the California Association of Independent Schools (CAIS) and the Accrediting Commission for Schools, the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (ACS WASC). We are proud to have earned this accreditation.

Read more at:

<https://www.mountmadonnaschool.org/mount-madonna-school-granted-full-seven-year-accreditation/>





# MMS THREE PILLARS

[WWW.MOUNTMADONNASCHOOL.ORG/ABOUT/PHILOSOPHY/](http://WWW.MOUNTMADONNASCHOOL.ORG/ABOUT/PHILOSOPHY/)



Academic Excellence | Creative Self Expression | Positive Character Development





# ADMINISTRATION AND STAFF TEAM

**Ann Goewert**, Head of School

**Shannon Kelly**, Director of Upper School, High School Faculty

**Blythe Collier**, Dean of Students, Middle School Coordinator

**Jessica Cambell**, Fifth Grade Teacher, Lower School Program Director

**Kami Pacheco**, Preschool Director and Summer Camp Director

**Masina Hunnicutt**, Admissions and Registrar

**Leigh Ann Clifton**, Director of Marketing & Communication

**Kevict Yen**, Director of Advancement and Community Relations

**Nicole Tervalon**, Director of Technology, High School Faculty, "Ramayana!" Co-Producer

**Laurie Romero**, Financial Controller

**Beth England**, Accounts Receivable, Tuition/Contracts

**Gina Kasnar**, Accounts Payable

**PK McDonald**, High School Athletic Director, Mathematics and Physics Teacher, Volleyball Coach

**Nick Cabassa**, Fourth Grade Teacher, Middle School Athletic Director, Cross Country and Basketball Coach

**Christie Orozco**, "Ramayana!" Co-Producer, Inland Bus Driver, Operations Manager, Transportation Co-Coordinator

**Jessica Vargas**, Performing Arts Coordinator, "Ramayana!" Co-Producer

**Holly Ota**, Director and Music Director

**Erika Rosendale**, Performing Arts Set Design and Build, Performing Arts Team

**Lauren Reece**, Performing Arts Costumer, Office Reception

**Andrew Brinton**, Librarian

**Diane Turk**, Librarian and transportation support

**Richard Castro**, Ocean Side Bus Driver

**Juan Gonzalez**, Facilities Lead

**Aumao Toalepalalii**, Maintenance, Productions Crew

A detailed directory of Administration can be found at:

<https://www.mountmadonnaschool.org/about/administration/>

A detailed directory of Faculty and Staff can be found at:

<https://www.mountmadonnaschool.org/faculty-and-staff/>





The PDF can be found in the Hawk Login!

# WAYS MMS COMMUNICATES



## WAYS MOUNT MADONNA SCHOOL COMMUNICATES

**WEBSITE** [MOUNTMADONNASCHOOL.ORG](http://MOUNTMADONNASCHOOL.ORG)

### EMAILS

#### WEEKLY ENEWS

#### WEEKLY LOWER SCHOOL EMAILS

#### CAMPUS COMMUNICATIONS AND REMINDERS

#### INDIVIDUAL COMMUNICATIONS

Email is the primary method by which the school communicates. We use Constant Contact to send weekly eNews and schoolwide communications. Please do not opt out of Constant Contact.

### BUS NOTIFICATIONS

#### TITAN HST

Notifies families via email, phone and text messages about transportation emergencies.

### EMERGENCY NOTIFICATIONS

#### TITAN HST

In the event of a campus-wide emergency, our notification system is used to communicate important information to families via email, phone and text messages.

**ONLINE CALENDAR** [MOUNTMADONNASCHOOL.ORG/EVENTS](http://MOUNTMADONNASCHOOL.ORG/EVENTS)

### PORTALS

#### LEARNING MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

[mountmadonnaschool.schoolology.com](http://mountmadonnaschool.schoolology.com)

Schoolology is where teachers may post syllabuses, assignments, quiz and test scores for students.

#### MIDDLE SCHOOL & HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT INFORMATION SYSTEM

[mountmadonna.powerschool.com/public](http://mountmadonna.powerschool.com/public)

Powerschool is where the administrative records are maintained including final grades and transcripts.

### HAWKS LOGIN

[mountmadonnaschool.org/hawk-login](http://mountmadonnaschool.org/hawk-login)

The Hawks login contains pertinent information for current parents that is not shared with the general public.

### SOCIAL MEDIA

**FACEBOOK** [@mountmadonnaschool](https://www.facebook.com/mountmadonnaschool)

**INSTAGRAM** [@mountmadonnaschool](https://www.instagram.com/mountmadonnaschool)

**LINKEDIN** [linkedin.com/company/mount-madonna-school/mycompany/](https://www.linkedin.com/company/mount-madonna-school/mycompany/)

**YOUTUBE** [@mountmadonna](https://www.youtube.com/mountmadonna)



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### IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS

School Office	408.847.2717
Attendance	408.847.2717, option 1
Transportation	408.840.8081
Parents	408.840.8021
Registration	408.840.8024
Head of School	408.840.8041
Director of Financial	408.840.8074
Director of Lower School	408.840.8079
Director of Upper School	408.840.8020
Dean of Students	408.840.8026
Admission	408.840.8040
Development	408.840.8030

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### REPORT AN EMERGENCY OR DISASTER VIA EMAIL

[emergency@mountmadonnaschool.org](mailto:emergency@mountmadonnaschool.org)

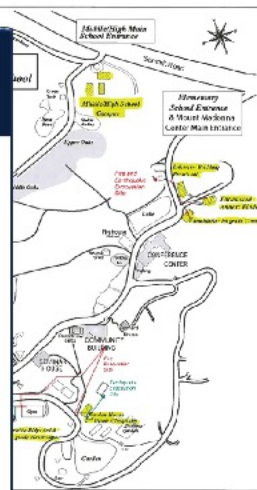
### CONNECT TO MMS CAMPUS WIFI

Parents can access the MMS WiFi around campus.

Connect to the network with the following credentials:

**Network:** MMS-Guest

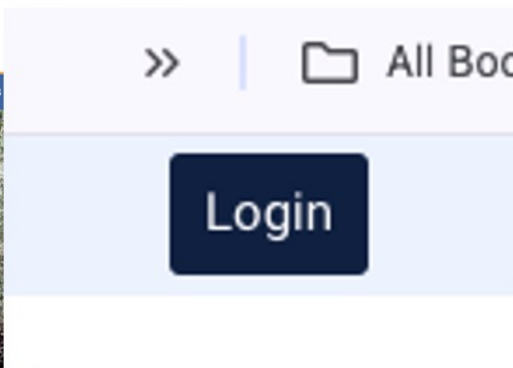
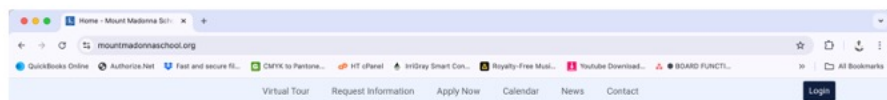
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# HAWK LOGIN AND ONLINE CALENDAR

[www.mountmadonnaschool.org](http://www.mountmadonnaschool.org)



## Explore Our Transformative Programs

Pre and Kinder

Elementary

Middle School

High School



## Mount Madonna School Calendar

Search for events

Find Events List Month

< > This Month August 2024

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
28	29	30	31	1	2	3
	Mountain of Fun Su... Mountain of Fun Summer Camp: Mountain Explorers, ages 6-9	Mountain of Fun Su... Mountain of Fun Summer Camp: Mountain Explorers, ages 6-9	Mountain of Fun Su... Mountain of Fun Summer Camp: Mountain Explorers, ages 6-9	Mountain of Fun Su... Mountain of Fun Summer Camp: Mountain Explorers, ages 6-9	Mountain of Fun Su... Mountain of Fun Summer Camp: Mountain Explorers, ages 6-9	
4	5 11:00 am Girls Volleyball - Open Gym	6	7 11:00 am Girls Volleyball - Open Gym	8	9 11:00 am Girls Volleyball - Open Gym	10
11	12 Faculty & Staff Retreat 9:00 am Girls Volleyball - Practice 9:00 am Cross Country - Practice	13 9:00 am Girls Volleyball - Practice 9:00 am Cross Country - Practice	14 9:00 am Girls Volleyball - Practice	15 9:00 am Cross Co Practice 9:00 am Girls Voli Practice	16 9:00 am	17 9:00 am - 9:00 am
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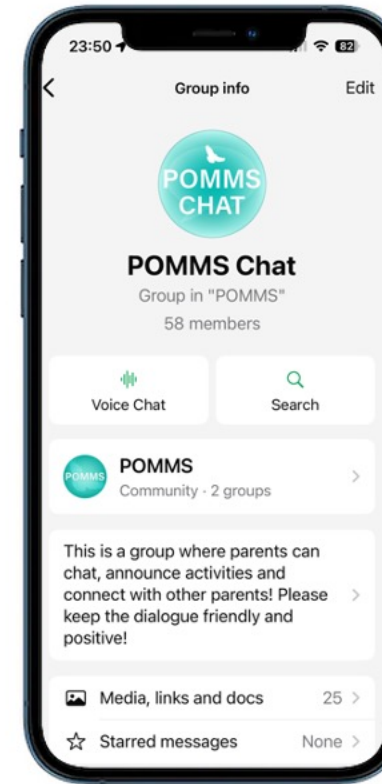
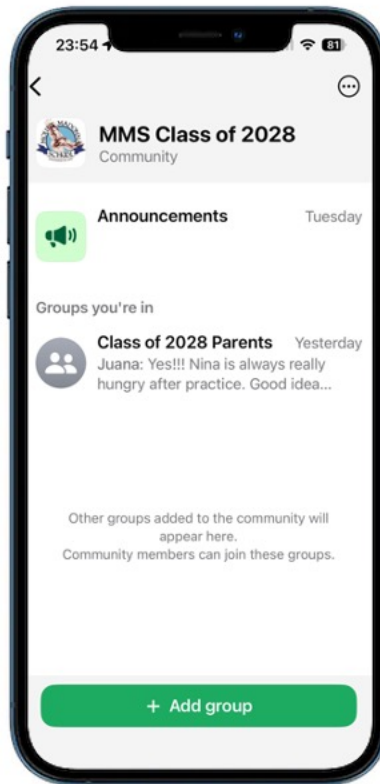


# LIAISONS ...AND POMMS



Liaisons are parent representatives who assist MMS in communicating with class families. A monthly email with class-specific or noteworthy MMS news is typical.

In addition, families are encouraged to join class Communities on WhatsApp. Inquire with your class Liaison about how to join.



## POMMS Chat

WhatsApp group



POMMS stands for "Parents Of Mount Madonna Students" and is the parent association designed to facilitate community, dialogue, and social events. Please use the above QR Code to join POMMS:



# DAILY ATTENDANCE, LATE ARRIVAL, EARLY DISMISSAL, LATE PICK UP

## PRESCHOOL – GRADE 5

### Daily Attendance

Please do not send your child to school if they have COVID symptoms or are ill

Parents are encouraged to either call in or email [attendance@mountmadonnaschool.org](mailto:attendance@mountmadonnaschool.org) to notify the school of all absences and late arrivals in advance of 9:30 am

If a student is marked absent and we have not received advance notification, the office sends an automated call by 10:35 am to parents informing them of the absence

### Late Arrival

Preschool and K-5 students must be escorted by their parent or guardian to their teachers if they arrive late to school

Please email attendance at [attendance@mountmadonnaschool.org](mailto:attendance@mountmadonnaschool.org) or call the MMS office to report when the student arrived on campus and the reason they are late.

### Leaving early

Please contact the core teacher and the MMS office at [attendance@mountmadonnaschool.org](mailto:attendance@mountmadonnaschool.org) or call MMS Attendance at 408.847.2717, option 1

### Late Pickup

If late for pick up, please call the main office to inform them.

Kindergarten through 5th graders, without Preschool siblings, will be sent on the bus at 3:20 to the upper campus to wait for their drivers in the upper school office.

All Preschool students will be waiting for their drivers at the Lakeview building.





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### Late Arrival

Parents should contact the upper school office to change an absence to a tardy

Late students must go to the school office to obtain a tardy slip and present the slip to their teacher

### Leaving early

Please email [attendance@mountmadonnaschool.org](mailto:attendance@mountmadonnaschool.org) or call MMS Attendance at 408.847.2717, option 1

Students will "check out" with their last period teacher before they come to the School Office.

### Late Pickup

If late for pick up, please call the main office to inform them.





# CAMPUS OVERVIEW

The MMS campus can be thought of as segmented into three elevations:

## Upper Campus

Administrative office, High School, Middle School, Hawks Nest Gym

## Lakeview Campus

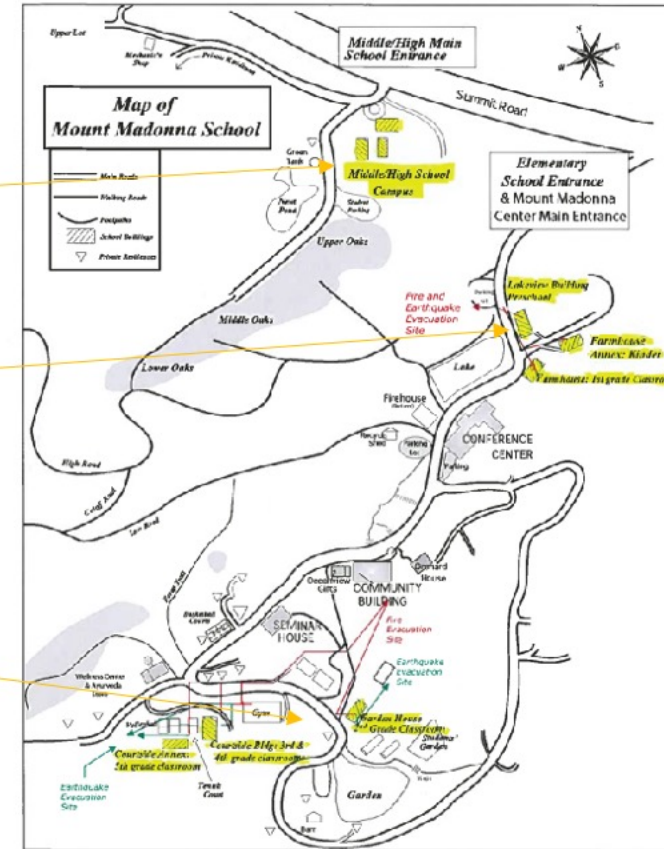
Preschool, Kindergarten, First Grade, Preschool Director's Office

## Garden House and Courtside Campus

Second Grade, Third Grade, Fourth Grade, Fifth Grade, Lower Gym



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# ATHLETICS

	Fall 2024	Winter 2024/25	Spring 2025
Middle School Small Schools League  <i>Athletic Director:</i> Nick Cabassa	Cross Country Coach: Nicole Silva  Girls Basketball Coach: TBA	Girls Volleyball Coach: Jessica Cambell  Boys Basketball Coach: TBA	Track & Field Coach: Nicole Silva  Boys Volleyball Coach: TBA
High School SCCAL  <i>Athletic Director:</i> PK McDonald	Cross Country Coach: Nick Cabassa  Junior Varsity & Varsity Girls Volleyball Coach: PK McDonald	Basketball Coach: TBA	Track & Field Coach: TBA  Boys Volleyball Coach: PK McDonald

Transportation is provided to student athletes for away games via a combination of school vans and volunteer parent vehicles.





# PERFORMING ARTS

Chelsea Otterness, Creative Expression Dance Teacher, Director

Christie Orozco, "Ramayana!" Co-Producer, Inland Bus Driver, Operations Manager, Transportation Co-Coordinator

Claire Otterness, Choreography

Erika Rosendale, Performing Arts Set Design and Build

Holly Ota, Director and Music Director

Jessica Vargas, Performing Arts Coordinator, "Ramayana!" Co-Producer

Lauren Reece, Performing Arts Costumer, Office Reception

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	Winter 2024/24	Spring 2025
Lower School	Winter Concert	Cultural Awareness Ramayana!
Upper School	Middle School Musical <i>Little Mermaid Jr.</i>  High School Musical <i>The Addams Family</i>	Ramayana!





# LEARNING JOURNEYS

GRADE 3 & 4



SACRAMENTO

GRADE 5



OCEANOGRAPHIC  
ENVIRONMENTAL  
PROJECT

GRADE 8



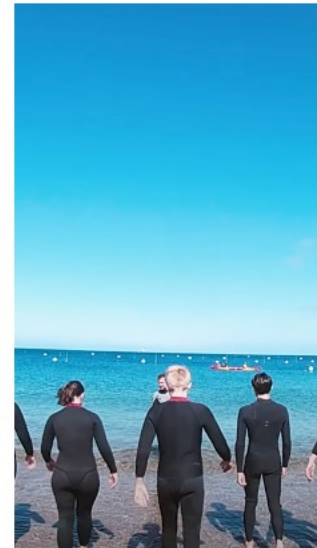
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GRADE 9



YOSEMITE

GRADE 10



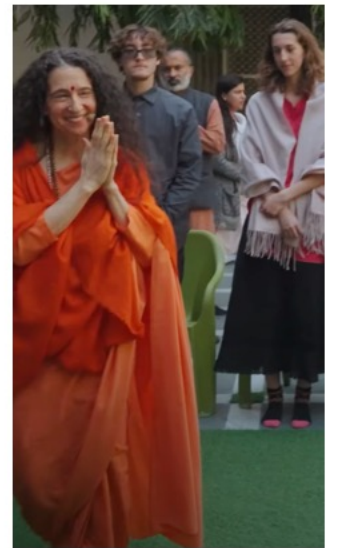
CATALINA

GRADE 11



WASHINGTON D.C.

GRADE 12



INDIA





# BONDING EXPERIENCES



**BUDDY PROGRAM**



**MIDDLE SCHOOL CAMPING**



**HIGH SCHOOL RAFTING**



# FUNDRAISERS AND GIVING

MMS relies on three annual fundraisers to bridge the gap between tuition and the actual cost of an MMS education. To learn more about giving to MMS, please visit:

[www.mountmadonnaschool.org/support/](http://www.mountmadonnaschool.org/support/)



## DRIVE FOR SCHOOLS

Engaging local community



## ANNUAL GIVING

The cornerstone of giving



## SUMMIT FOR THE PLANET

Recognition for the Earth



# BUILDING COMMUNITY





When we came here, we thought  
we were joining a community.  
Then we realized we were helping  
to create one.

