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Dear Malibu Middle/High School Families and Friends,

I am honored to be taking the helm, along with David Mankoff, as Co-Chairman of the Shark Fund for the 2017-2018 school year. We have huge shoes to fill after Doug Masterson, our former Chairman, stepped down at the end of last school year concluding his four successful years of leadership. We look forward to continuing the outstanding work of Doug and the entire Shark Fund board that has resulted in achieving our fundraising goal year after year, thereby enabling the continuation of so many important programs our students enjoy and rely upon to foster their education, development, and expand their horizons.

I am so proud of and grateful for our school, teachers, administrators, and staff, as well as the hard work and dedication of our parent volunteers, without whom our students and school would not enjoy the level of success we have — illustrated by the impressive #49 state and #279 national rankings our school achieved according to the US News and World Report, and the outstanding colleges and universities to which our graduates have matriculated (see enclosed list).

This success would not be possible without your generous support. Please make your donation to The Shark Fund today, and remember — every dollar stays at Malibu High for the benefit of our students.

Gardia Fox

Co-Chairman, The Shark Fund

Hi there

Along with Gardia, I want to welcome you to the 2017 – 2018 School year. My twins, Sammy and Lyla, are entering 9th grade, and are very excited to finally reach high school after a great 3 years at Middle School. Changes — construction, temporary buildings, yet the core stays the same: Learning, breaking new ground (inside and out), friends, teachers who care, parents invested in our kids. This is the environment I love and I watch my kids enjoy. Feeling the extended "family" of the school and Malibu as a community in general — so healthy for their growth, as is the ocean, the sky, the hills, the nature, and the safe lifestyle we are so fortunate to enjoy. Gratitude is the name of the game these days for me, and I hope for you too.

Malibu High School depends on each of one us — our involvement, coaching, tutoring, caring for our kids — and our financial contributions are critical to ensuring the success of key activities that The Shark Fund (Malibu High School's only fundraising organization) supports:

Thanks to your generous contributions, these programs were all fully funded in 2016-2017:

- * Arts (plays, musicals, band, choir, orchestra, and visual arts)
- * PTSA (aides, supplies, youth education and professional development)
- * Athletics (uniforms and new equipment)
- * After School Library, Counseling and Drug Prevention Programs
- * Technology (computers, advanced teaching equipment and much more)

Please visit our website to learn more about our exciting programs--www.thesharkfund.org

This year our goal is to match or exceed \$450,000. Please consider a donation of \$2,000 per student (or more if you can). Our programs need funding early in the year, so please make your donation now to The Shark Fund for the 2017-2018 school year, and look for The Shark Fund booth at "Get Your Stuff Days" on Aug. 15-16. Thank you for your continued support.

David Mankoff

Co-Chairman, The Shark Fund