

MIDLAND SCHOOL	School Year: 2016-2017
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All new students must arrive at Midland on September 9, 2016

Arrival earlier than this date is not possible. Midland staff will pick the student up in Santa Barbara. Please contact Jill Brady jbrady@midland-school.org with the airline arrival information so pickup can be arranged. Please contact her with any travel questions. Arrival in the morning or by mid-day is ideal.

School Breaks

All school vacations officially ...

Begin: 8:00AM Saturday morning
End: 6:00PM Sunday evening

Emergency phone number for students traveling to Midland: 805-500-8279

- **Midland arranges student pick-up/drop-off from locations in Santa Barbara only.**
 - Santa Barbara airport
 - AMTRAK train and bus
 - Greyhound bus
 - Santa Barbara Airbus – Goleta office
- Students flying into LAX must make connecting reservations on the Santa Barbara Airbus LAX Shuttle (sbairbus.com). These reservations should start/end in the Goleta office. See separate schedule for SB Airbus LAX Shuttle schedule.
- Parents are responsible for making reservations. **Midland does not arrange ticket purchases.**
- **Students will be picked up in Santa Barbara at 12:00PM and at 5:00PM.** Students arriving on earlier flights/trains etc. should have a book to read while they wait for the Midland van to arrive.
- A card with Midland emergency contact information is included in the summer mailing. Please have your child carry this card while travelling so he/she has easy access to Midland phone numbers should his/her arrival time change.

Planning trips to and from Midland requires careful scheduling.

Please keep in mind it takes one hour to drive students from Midland to Santa Barbara.

Students taking the SBairbus LAX shuttle for LAX departures need to add 2 1/2 hours travel time from Santa Barbara to LAX plus 2 hours check-in time for the flight.

Do not make any reservation leaving Santa Barbara earlier than 8:00AM. An 8:00AM departure from Santa Barbara requires a 6:00AM departure from Midland. (One hour to Santa Barbara plus one hour airline check-in.) Midland does not provide shuttles departing from Midland earlier than 6:00AM.

- **Flights to and from LAX (Los Angeles International Airport) require careful planning.** Two shuttles are required for LAX connections, one from Midland to Santa Barbara and one from Santa Barbara to LAX (or the reverse). Please check shuttle timing carefully. Do not book tickets from Santa Barbara departing before 8:00AM or arriving later than 5:00PM.
- **LAX departures.** Be sure to factor in 8:00AM or later departure from Santa Barbara Airbus LAX shuttle plus 2 1/2 hour travel time to LAX plus airport check-in time before booking flight times from LAX.
- **LAX arrivals to Midland.** Santa Barbara Airbus LAX Shuttle operates on 2 hour intervals. Plan arrivals to allow time for the next available shuttle connection to Santa Barbara plus 2 1/2 hour travel to Santa Barbara plus an hour for the Midland shuttle from Santa Barbara to arrive on campus no later than 6:00PM.

Santa Barbara Airbus Lax Shuttle Schedule

(Schedule subject to change. Please confirm schedule times online when booking tickets.)

To LAX from Goleta office:

Trip #	Depart Goleta	Arrive LAX
7	8:30AM	11:15AM
9	10:00AM	12:45PM
11	12:00PM	2:45PM
13	3:00PM	5:45PM
15	6:00PM	8:45PM

To Goleta office from LAX:

Trip #	Depart LAX	Arrive Goleta
2	9:00AM	11:30AM
4	11:00AM	1:30PM
6	12:30PM	3:00PM
8	2:00PM	4:30PM

Absences from school, late returns, & early departures

Departure: School breaks officially begin at 8:00AM on Saturday. Two types of early departure on Friday are acceptable. International flights leaving from LAX after 12:00 AM midnight and parents picking students up from Midland by car.

All other departures should begin at 8:00AM Saturday when breaks officially begin.

Parents picking students up from campus may do so Friday evening after the 6:00PM Assembly. Students may not miss work period prior to school breaks. Student jobs must be covered.

No pick-up by drivers under 25: *Under no circumstances will students be permitted to leave school with a driver, except a brother or sister, who is under twenty-five years of age, regardless of parental permission.*

Early return from vacation is not allowed: Housing and meals are not available.

Arrival time in Santa Barbara should be no later than 4:30PM to allow students to return to campus in time for the 6:00PM evening assembly. Late arrivals are disruptive to the community and cause anxiety for returning students. Students must arrive at school after lunch and before the dinner assembly. The first obligation is the evening assembly. **Arrival between noon and 4:30PM is ideal.**

- **Santa Barbara Airbus reservations may be made online. 805-964-7755. www.sbairbus.com**
- **Train reservations may be made online. www.amtrak.com**

Because Midland has a weeklong break every six or seven weeks, we will not allow students to extend their vacations. We have frequent vacations because we ask students to commit themselves to an intensive six-week term between vacations. This uninterrupted time at school is essential for the continuity and integrity of the Midland academic program and overall experience.

- Families should plan to use the scheduled vacations for elective dental and medical treatments, college visits, family trips and other matters.
- **When school is in session students will be excused for emergencies only.**