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## Support for Milken

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**Fanny Marcus** <fannymarcus@gmail.com>

Sun, Nov 9, 2025 at 1:33 PM

To: rschlesinger@babcn.org, council@babcn.org

Bcc: tbarak@milken.school.org

Dear Members of the Planning & Land Use Committee,

We are writing to express our strong support for Milken Community School's CUP application.

As parents of Milken students, we have seen firsthand the extraordinary impact this school has on young people, not only academically, but in shaping their character, confidence, and sense of community. Milken provides a safe, inspiring environment where students feel known, supported, and encouraged to reach their full potential.

The plan to relocate the high school to the Milken East campus is both thoughtful and necessary. The site has long served as an educational campus, with the right infrastructure and layout already in place. Moving the high school there ensures that Milken can continue to grow responsibly while keeping students together on a secure, unified campus.

For families like ours, Milken represents the best of what Jewish education can offer academic excellence combined with values, belonging, and purpose. This project will strengthen that legacy while maintaining full respect for the surrounding neighborhood and community.

We wholeheartedly support Milken's proposal and respectfully urge you to approve it.

With appreciation for your time and consideration,

David and Stephanie MARCUS

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## Support for Milken's CUP Application

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**Lise Applebaum** <lise@applebaum1.com>

Mon, Nov 10, 2025 at 9:56 AM

To: "council@babcnc.org" <council@babcnc.org>, "rschlesinger@babcnc.org" <rschlesinger@babcnc.org>

Dear Members of the Neighborhood Council:

I'm proud to be a longtime member of the Milken Community School family. All three of my children attended Milken, and I've had the privilege of serving on the school's Board of Trustees for the past ten years.

Milken is not just a school — it's a cornerstone of Jewish education in Los Angeles. It's where students learn not only academics, but also leadership, service, and a deep connection to their community. The values Milken instills reach far beyond the classroom and into every corner of this city.

The project before you is a necessary step to ensure that Milken can continue to meet the growing demand for Jewish education. The plan involves renovations and safety upgrades within the existing buildings, with no new construction or overnight use. Over time, the school hopes to increase enrollment gradually, at a scale and pace that the campus — and community — can comfortably accommodate.

This is an opportunity to strengthen an institution that has served Los Angeles with integrity and vision for decades. This project will help fulfill the community's growing need for a trusted, safe Jewish school where children can learn and thrive. Supporting this project means investing in the next generation of students who will carry forward those same values of leadership, responsibility, and community.

I strongly urge you to approve Milken's CUP application.

Sincerely,

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## Letter of Support for Milken

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Sun, Nov 9, 2025 at 10:11 AM

To: "council@babcnc.org" <council@babcnc.org>, "rschlesinger@babcnc.org" <rschlesinger@babcnc.org>

### **Dear Members of the Planning and Land Use Committee,**

As a longtime member of this community, I am writing to express my strong support for Milken's application for a Conditional Use Permit (CUP). Over the years, I've come to appreciate the school's thoughtful presence in our neighborhood and the care it takes in every decision affecting its campus and the surrounding area.

This proposal reflects that same careful and deliberate approach. Milken's plans do not represent unchecked expansion, but rather a gradual, well-considered evolution designed to meet future educational needs responsibly. The project is structured to ensure that growth happens in a balanced way—enhancing opportunities for students while respecting the fabric of the community.

Milken has proven time and again that it values partnership with its neighbors. The school has engaged openly on issues such as safety, traffic flow, and communication, and has shown genuine responsiveness to community input. Its record demonstrates a consistent commitment to transparency and mutual respect.

By broadening access to high-quality Jewish education in a safe and secure setting, this plan benefits both current and future families. It strengthens an important community institution while preserving the qualities that make our neighborhood such a special place to live.

For these reasons, I respectfully encourage the Committee to approve Milken's CUP application.

Thank you for your time and thoughtful consideration.

Sincerely,

**Michael Greenfeld**

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## Support for Milken

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**Janine Rostovsky** <janine@janinerostovskydesign.com>

Mon, Nov 10, 2025 at 10:39 PM

To: "council@babenc.org" <council@babenc.org>, "rschlesinger@babenc.org" <rschlesinger@babenc.org>

Cc: "tbarak@milkenschool.org" <tbarak@milkenschool.org>

**Dear Members of the Planning & Land Use Committee,**

**I have been a proud member of this community for many years. This letter is to express my support for Milken's CUP application. Based on my experience and observations, I believe this proposal is both thoughtful and responsible. Milken is not proposing abrupt or unchecked growth. Instead, the school is planning a carefully phased expansion over time.**

**By expanding access to safe and secure Jewish education, this project ensures that more families have a trusted place to educate their children. This is a responsible plan that balances educational needs with neighborhood priorities. It strengthens Jewish education in Los Angeles while maintaining the character of the surrounding area.**

**Milken has consistently demonstrated its commitment to being a good neighbor. The school takes issues like safety, traffic, and communication seriously, and has worked in partnership with the community to address these matters proactively. Their approach has always been transparent, responsive, and grounded in mutual respect.**

**This is a school that listens to feedback, plans thoughtfully, and follows through on its commitments. I have every confidence that Milken will handle its future growth with the same care and responsibility it has shown in the past.**

**For these reasons, I respectfully urge the Council to grant Milken the Conditional Use Permit (CUP) it seeks.**

**Thank you for your time and consideration.**

**Sincerely,**

**Janine Rostovsky**

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## Support for Milken

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**Nesim Hason** <nesim.hason.27@gmail.com>

Wed, Nov 12, 2025 at 5:05 PM

To: council@babcnc.org, rschlesinger@babcnc.org

Bcc: tbarak@milkenschool.org

Dear Members of the Planning & Land Use Committee,

It has been a true privilege to be part of the Milken Community School family for many years. As a proud alum of the school, a neighbor with family who lives in Casiano and supporter, I am in full support of Milken's CUP application.

Milken is far more than a school — it is a vital hub for Jewish learning and values in Los Angeles. It nurtures not only intellectual growth but also a deep sense of leadership and Jewish identity. The school's influence ripples outward, touching countless lives throughout the city.

The initiative you're reviewing is essential for Milken to continue serving its mission. The proposal includes interior improvements and safety enhancements to existing facilities. Long-term, the school is looking to grow its student body at a gradual, manageable pace that aligns with the capacity of both the campus and the surrounding neighborhood.

This effort represents a meaningful investment in an institution that has consistently led with care, responsibility, and vision. It will ensure that Milken remains a trusted and inspiring place for Jewish education, now and into the future. By supporting this project, we're helping to provide the next generation with a strong foundation rooted in shared values and community.

I respectfully encourage you to approve Milken's CUP application.

Warm regards,

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**Milken Community High School**

2 messages

**Richard Kolodny** <rk@lawyermover.com>

Tue, Nov 11, 2025 at 2:13 PM

To: "council@babenc.org" &lt;council@babenc.org&gt;, "rschlesinger@babenc.org" &lt;rschlesinger@babenc.org&gt;

Cc: Richard Kolodny &lt;rk@lawyermover.com&gt;

To the Bel Air-Beverly Crest Neighborhood Council:

My wife and I live in Bel Air Park (and been residents for over 20 years).

The last time that the AJU property was the topic of these hearings was a few years ago, when our hillside community and neighbors faced the prospect (in a proposed transaction that fell through) of a purchaser of the AJU property that was based thousands of miles outside of the United States, that had no ties to our local community, no ties to Los Angeles, no ties to California, and that advised our community, quite directly and bluntly, that their "standard" business plan model involved enrolling, on a short term basis, successive waves of new students (that had no connection to LA) in and out of our neighborhood on a 24/7 year-round basis for their short term courses.

Let's just say that didn't work.

On the other hand, I see MCHS as an ideal occupant of this campus. MCHS has for many years been an exemplary neighbor in the Mulholland corridor, with deep connections to our community and to Los Angeles. Indeed, MCHS has a nationally prominent reputation as a premier high school. The wider MCHS community, composed of students, teachers, staff, parents, and alumni, have deep and long-standing roots in our community. Leadership at MCHS is top tier, with responsive and accountable professionals and staff at every level. I believe that MCHS will be excellent neighbors and will listen and work with us in good faith on any issues that require discussion. I know that our homeowners' associations and our hillside neighbors have many different voices, but to me MCHS is an ideal neighbor that I believe will be big positive for our local as well as broader communities and will be an outstanding steward of this storied campus. We usually can't pick our neighbors, but if I could, I would pick MCHS.

I recommend that this Council grant MCHS the CUP MCHS is requesting. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Rick Kolodny

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Wed, Nov 12, 2025 at 11:56 AM

Thank you for your support, we have added this letter to our files.

Warmly,  
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