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Dear Neighbor,

Our trees on Laurel Lower Campus are near and dear to us, and we greatly cherish their shade and beauty. While we value the preservation of these heritage trees, the safety of our students, staff and public remain our highest priority. The many years of drought and a very wet winter have negatively impacted our large oak trees at Laurel School Lower campus located at 95 Edge Road in Atherton. Recently a large oak tree fell at the Laurel School Lower Campus playground. This prompted the District to conduct a more in depth evaluation of all the large trees on campus. The District's tree arborist has recommended the removal of six Heritage Oak trees (#8, #9, #14, #15, #17, #23). A copy of this report is available at <http://district.mpcsd.org/Page/1530>.

Per the District's tree removal process, neighbors within the tree removal areas are being informed and the public has a two-week period to comment or object to this decision. Please submit your comment to etracy@mpcsd.org no later than March 24, 2017.

We are committed to replanting new trees that will one day grow tall and provide the shade and beauty we all love. We plan to build something from the wood in remembrance of the trees.

Sincerely,

The Menlo Park City School District

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Every child achieves academic excellence. Every child becomes emotionally and physically stronger.
Every child discovers and grows their talents.