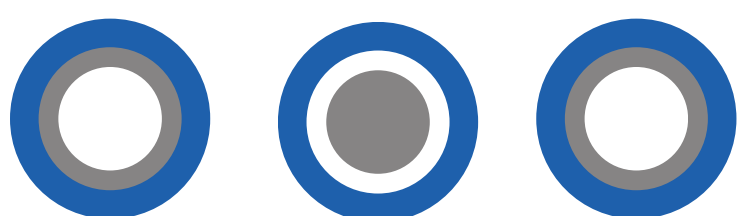




Jackie Williams

Jackie Williams is a mother of five who is a relentless advocate for safe learning in schools. After the toxic chemical PCB was found in their Malibu Middle and High Schools, she spearheaded an effort to get schoolkids to safety and reached out to Pepperdine University to donate a classroom to continue education away from the facilities. In doing so, she procured the first physical classroom in the United States ever to come out of the homeschool K-12 program. In only three weeks, Jackie was not only able to get school children away from the toxic environment and into a safe learning center but also put together a full curriculum. That school ran for over the two years as the school district worked to remove PCBs and rebuild.

After the fires swept through the area years later, she and another mother also made sure kids were safe and continued education. She has advocated for safe learning environments for 24 years. Her work led her to meet with the head of the Dept. of Education in Washington, D.C. and also to Parkland, FL after the mass shooting at Marjory Stoneman Douglas where 14 students and three staff members were murdered. In 2019, she became The Malibu Times' recipient of the Mother of the Year Rosie Award to celebrate a mother who is a driving force for good in the community.



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