John Muir School is a K-12 magnet school where the teaching staff is trained in the Paideia Philosophy of education. Within the Paideia Philosophy all students are taught to be productive global citizens and life-long learners. The school is located in the established residential neighborhood of Clairemont. Students at Muir come from all over the district with a maximum enrollment of 440 from TK-12.

The mid-century modern campus was originally built in 1961 as Anderson Elementary with five permanent buildings for classrooms, administrative offices, multipurpose room with food services and a large play field for physical education. In 2005, John Muir School moved into the location and soon after a Library/Media Center was built in 2008. A large synthetic turf field was installed on a section of the DG field in 2016.
John Muir K-12 School Synthetic Turf Field

Completed: May 2016
Funding: Proposition Z

The existing decomposed granite play field was replaced with a 62,000 square foot synthetic turf field surrounded by an asphalt running track. The students will use this new field for physical education and other activities. Additional improvements included grading and irrigation installation for cooling and cleaning purposes.

Dirt play field before installation

New synthetic turf field
John Muir K-12 School
New Kindergarten Classroom Building

Completed: February 2019
Funding: Proposition Z

A 1,440 square foot modular classroom with restroom will be placed in the campus near the kindergarten area to accommodate the student population. This project includes extending the kindergarten area with fencing and new paths of travel and accessibility.
John Muir K-12 School
New Kindergarten Classroom Building
The Whole Site Modernization Phase II project consists of the removal of 9 portable classrooms and the construction of a new 18 classroom building. The new building will have physical education changing rooms for boys and girls, a new administration building, a new kindergarten classroom building, a reconfigured visitor parking lot with on-site drop-off area, and a new on-site staff parking lot. Other improvements include the modernization of existing facilities: classrooms, restrooms, the multi-purpose building with the kitchen, and exterior playground areas.