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Parents press for safer schools

Speakers ask board to redeploy police to campuses after Franklin student’s death

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More than a dozen parents and other residents Wednesday called on Los Angeles Unified School District board members to reinstate campus police at secondary schools following the death of a 17-year-old senior after

he fell from his school’s fourth floor.

Xavier Nungaray-Martinez died Sept. 30 after falling at Benjamin Franklin High School in Highland Park. The L.A. County Medical Examiner has ruled Xavier’s death a suicide.

Reina Orellana, a relative who represented Xavier’s family at

the school board meeting, said her son dealt with bullying in LAUSD schools to the point where she had to pay him to get psychological help.

Now, she said her daughter, who was at Franklin the day Xavier died, is also traumatized. She questioned why school officials didn’t intervene earlier, as family members have said Xavier dealt with bullying since his

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Memorials are displayed for Xavier Nungaray-Martinez, who died after falling from a fourth-story building at Benjamin Franklin High School in Highland Park. **KEITH BIRMINGHAM** STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

MLB PLAYOFFS

Dodgers’ triumph closes out series



The Dodgers celebrate defeating the Atlanta Braves 4-1 in Game 4 of the National League Division Series at Truist Park on Wednesday in Atlanta. L.A. advances to the National League Championship Series. **KEVIN C. COX — GETTY IMAGES**

Victory over Braves advances quest for third straight World Series title

By Charles Odum
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

ATLANTA — Andy Pages drove in two runs with a bases-loaded single in the seventh inning to give Los Angeles the lead, and the Dodgers beat the Atlanta Braves 4-1 on Wednesday night to clinch their NL Division Series.

The Dodgers won back-to-back games in Atlanta to take the best-of-five matchup 3-1 and advance to the National League Championship Series as they seek to become the first NL team to win three straight World Series.

Pages lined a 3-2 pitch from Robert Suarez up the middle to drive in Teoscar Hernández, who singled off starter Tyler Mahle, and pinch-runner Tommy Edman for a 3-1 lead. Read the full story in **Sports**.



The Dodgers celebrate on the field after winning Game 4 of their NLDS against the Atlanta Braves on Wednesday, keeping their World Series three-peat hopes alive. **MIKE STEWART — AP**

LOS ANGELES COUNTY

Insurer’s response to blazes probed

FAIR Plan being investigated over claims filed by survivors of 2025 Palisades, Eaton fires

By Steve Scauzillo
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INSIDE: 2025 fire survivors launch campaign to address contaminants in standing homes. **A3**

Los Angeles County has begun an investigation into the handling of claims from fire survivors of the Eaton and Palisades fires by the California FAIR Plan Association, often called “the insurer of last resort,” the Office of County Counsel announced Wednesday.

In a letter, the county’s lawyers wrote they are examining whether the private insurance group denied

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MIDDLE EAST

Israelis mourn attacks in which 1,200 were killed

Oct. 7 marked by remembrances as Gazans languish in ruins of war

By Melanie Lidman
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

INSIDE: L.A.-area groups mark third anniversary of Oct. 7 Hamas terror attacks. **A3**

REIM, Israel — On a field where music festival revelers were gunned down by Hamas-led militants three years ago, Israelis on Wednesday embraced and wept for those lost in an attack that plunged the Middle East into war.

Israelis mourned at the site of

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