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# What is Redistricting?

Every 10 years, local governments use new data from the census t redraw their district lines to reflect how local populations have changed.

School districts must ensure that their district boundaries continue be in population balance. If districts are out of balance, they must be adjusted or redrawn to bring them into balance.

The primary goal when developing election districts is to draw lines that respect neighborhoods, history and geographical elements.

The final map of districts will be used for Cajon Valley school district elections for the next 10 years starting in 2022.

# Redistricting Rules and Goals

Federal Laws	Traditional Redistricting Principles
Equal Population	Communities of interest
Federal Voting Rights Act	Compact
No Racial Gerrymandering	Contiguous
	Visible (Natural & man-made) boundaries
	Respect voters' choices / continuity in office
	Planned future growth
	Minimize voters shifted to different election years
	Preserving the core of existing election areas

### Cajon Valley Overview

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## Options for the Board

Because the current Cajon Valley districts have a population deviation range of less than 10%, they are considered balanced and do not need to be redrawn to comply with the federal equal population requirement.

As a results, the Board of Trustee's options include:

Continue through the hearing process and re-adopt the of less 8.6(do )ana

#### **Redistricting Project Timeline**

Timing	Description
August 12, 2021	Census data released (usually released by April 1, but delayed due to the pandemic)
August 31, 2021	Presentation at Board of Trustees meeting to kick off process
September 27, 2021	Final California adjusted Census Data released – the state had to make changes to their first release (9/21), and did a second release on September 27
October 26, 2021	Presentation at Board of Trustees and initial public hearing. Board and public consider potential map options; opportunity for the Board to request map modifications
November 16, 2021	Board selects final trustee area map
February 28, 2022	Statutory deadlin <b>ie</b> r completion. (Educ. Code § 5019.5.) - Failure to meet the deadline shifts the burden for redrawing the lines to the County Committee on School District Organization/Board of Education
November 2022	First three trustee areas hold elections in new areas
November 2024	Remaining two trustee areas hold election

## **Public Hearing**

## Key Questions/Input:

- What are important neighborhoods and communities of interest within the Cajon Valley Union School District that should be kept together to ensure "effective and fair representation?"
- a How well do the current districts serve the needs of the of the School District?

### **Communities of Interest**

Under the California Elections Code, "community of interest" has a very specific definition in the context of districting and redistricting cities and counties:

A "community of interest" is a population that shares common social or economic interest should be included within a single district for purposes of its effective and fair representation.

Communities of interest do not include relationships with political parties, incumbents, or political candidates. (emphasis added)

### **Next Steps**

Opportunity for Participation:

- + Public Hearing November 16, 2021
- + Letter/Written testimony

Access the Cajon Valley School District website for more information