



Hanford Elementary School District

Notice of Board Workshop on Trustee Area Redistricting

The Board of Trustees of the Hanford Elementary School District will hold a trustee area redistricting workshop on Wednesday, October 27, 2021 at 5:30 p.m., or as soon thereafter as possible, at the District Board Room, 714 N. White Street, Hanford, California.

What is redistricting?

The Hanford Elementary School District has a Board of Trustees consisting of five Board members who represent specific geographic areas known as trustee areas. Every 10 years, after new population data is released by the U.S. Census, school districts must evaluate and adjust their trustee area boundaries, as necessary, to equalize the population of the trustee areas. This assures equal representation for the residents of each trustee area on the district governing board. (Note: this process is also required at every level of government—federal, state, county, city and special districts).

Redistricting of the trustee areas must comply with federal and state law and should be carried out in a manner that, to the extent possible, provides for compact and contiguous trustee areas, includes easily identifiable boundaries, and maintains and respects communities of interest.

Why does it matter?

Redistricting is a fundamental step in maintaining fair representation in our democratic system of government. It determines which geographic areas, neighborhoods and communities are grouped together for the purpose of electing school board trustees who represent the concerns and interests of residents in their trustee areas.

For more information and to participate:

If you are interested in learning more about the process and would like to provide comments and input, we invite you to attend the workshop. If you can't attend the workshop, information and additional opportunities for input will be posted on the District's website (<https://www.hanfordsd.org/trustee-area-adjustments>). You can email comments and questions to Jessica Valencia at jvalencia@hanfordsd.org or mail comments to Hanford Elementary School District, Attn: Redistricting, 714 N. White Street, Hanford, CA 93230.

Please note that redistricting will not change existing school attendance boundaries.