



GLENDALE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Dear GUSD Families and Community:

On May 3, the Los Angeles County Committee on School District Organization will make their decision regarding the proposed petition to transfer territory from the Glendale USD to La Cañada USD. The petition will either be denied or preliminarily approved.

If the County Committee denies the petition, the petitioners have 5 days to announce their intent to appeal the decision to the California State Board of Education. If the County Committee preliminarily approves the petition, they will arrange for a California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) study to assess the environmental impact of their decision. After the CEQA study is complete, the County Committee will re-evaluate their decision based on the results of the study and hold a second vote to either uphold or change their preliminary decision. The timeline for this process is approximately one year. After the County Committee makes their final decision, approximately one year from now, GUSD and the Petitioners would each have the option to appeal the final decision to the California State Board of Education.

We will communicate the County Committee's decision to you on May 3, following their vote. However, note that if the territory transfer is approved on May 3, this is only a preliminary decision and is contingent on the findings from the CEQA study. The final decision is not likely to be made until spring 2018. In the meantime, we will continue to focus on providing a high quality education to all GUSD students.

Sincerely,

Winfred B. Roberson, Jr.
Superintendent of Schools