

# Sweetwater Union High School District – Attendance Boundary Adjustments 2016 Frequently Asked Questions

## **Question**:

What are the proposed changes?

### Answer:

The proposed changes are located on the SUHSD website at <a href="http://www.sweetwaterschools.org/board-of-trustees-workshop-attendance-boundaries/">http://www.sweetwaterschools.org/board-of-trustees-workshop-attendance-boundaries/</a>

### **Question**:

When will these changes take place?

### Answer:

These changes will begin in July, 2016 for incoming 7<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> grade students in the proposed change areas.

## **Question**:

How were the proposed boundary lines developed?

## Answer:

There were three key guiding principles guiding this work, they were: 1) Balancing District Enrollment; 2) Distance from homes to school; and 3) Aligning middle school and high school boundaries.

### **Question**:

If my student is currently attending a school that will be impacted by proposed changes, will my student need to move school in the middle of high school years?

#### Answer:

No, existing students at any school impacted by proposed changes will be grandfathered in, so they may remain at current school. These changes will affect only incoming 7<sup>th</sup> grade and 9<sup>th</sup> grade students in the proposed change areas.

#### Question:

How long will it take to implement these changes to attendance areas?

#### Answer:

The proposed changes will take place over a four-year process. The first classes to be under the restructured attendance areas will the incoming class of 9<sup>th</sup> grade and 7<sup>th</sup> grade in 2016-17 school year.

#### Question:

Why is the district changing boundaries now?

#### Answer

The district is proposing to change attendance areas given the growth in residential development within our district boundaries over the past 10 years. The last time the district restructured attendance areas was in 2005 when our demographics looked very different.



# **Question**:

Has the Board of Trustees voted on this?

### Answer:

No, the board heard a presentation by staff on Thursday, January 14<sup>th</sup>. *The item is scheduled to return for Board action at a public meeting on Monday, January 25<sup>th</sup>*.

**Question**: Who can I direct further questions to?

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