



# Pacific Grove Unified School District

The Pacific Grove Unified School District is currently evaluating draft map options as part of its transition to a by-trustee area election system. (Ed. Code, § 5019.) As part of this process, the Board will propose a potential election sequencing schedule to the Monterey County Committee on School District Organization, that will state when each trustee area seat will be up for election. (Elec. Code, § 10010.) The following is a summary of the potential election sequencing implications for each draft map that remains under consideration (the “Teal” and “Lupine” maps).

## Election Sequencing Generally

The sequencing of the Board’s elections is currently as follows:

Terms Ending in 2022	Terms Ending in 2024
Cristy Dawson	Brian Swanson
Frank Rivera III	Carolyn Swanson
John Paff	

When a school board transitions to trustee area elections, each incumbent is afforded the right to serve out his/her entire four-year term, regardless of how the elections are staggered. (Ed. Code, § 5021.)

## The District’s Draft Map Options

The District’s demographer, National Demographics Cooperation, created multiple draft map options, and the Board identified two (“Teal” and “Lupine”) to consider at the upcoming Board meeting on March 3, 2022. The following are some of the more likely election sequencing scenarios. Please note that this is a general overview and does not address every possible implication.

### **TEAL MAP**

#### 1. Where Each Trustee Resides

Area 1	Area 2	Area 3	Area 4	Area 5
Frank Rivera III (2022)	Brian Swanson (2024)	John Paff (2022)	Carolyn Swanson (2024)	Cristy Dawson (2022)

#### 2. Sequencing Schedule Options

This map only has one proposal for election sequencing because none of the trustees are paired together in a single trustee area. Therefore, this sequence allows each of the trustee areas to be schedule for elections in years consistent with when the incumbent Board members’ current terms end. The below sequencing schedule options maintain a staggered Board with three trustee areas up for election in 2022 and two trustee areas up for election in 2024, as is currently the case:

	Sequencing	Potential Implications
<a href="#"><u>Proposed Option 1</u></a>	<p><b>2022 election</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Area 1</li> <li>• Area 3</li> <li>• Area 5</li> </ul> <p><b>2024 election</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Area 2</li> <li>• Area 4</li> <li>•</li> </ul>	<p>Each area has a single Board member living in it. Each area will come up for election when that incumbent's term ends. For example, Area 1 will be up for election in 2022, when Trustee Frank Rivera's current term expires, and Area 2 will be up for election in 2024, when Trustee Brian Swanson's current term expires, and so on.</p>

## LUPINE MAP

### 1. Where Each Trustee Resides

The below chart shows where each current Board member will reside for the Lupine Map. Trustees Frank Rivera III, Brian Swanson, and Carolyn Swanson will all reside in Area 3. There is no current Board member living within Areas 1 and 4.

Area 1	Area 2	Area 3	Area 4	Area 5
	John Paff (2022)	Frank Rivera III (2022) Brian Swanson (2024) Carolyn Swanson (2024)		Cristy Dawson (2022)

### 2. Likely Sequencing Schedule

	Sequencing	Potential Implications
<a href="#"><u>Option 1</u></a>	<p><b>2022 election</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Area 2</li> <li>• Area 3</li> <li>• Area 5</li> </ul> <p><b>2024 election</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Area 1</li> <li>• Area 4</li> </ul>	<p><u>Trustee Areas 1 and 4:</u> Areas 1 and 4 are not up for election until 2024, meaning they would remain without a Board member residing within their boundaries until the November 2024 election.</p> <p><u>Trustee Area 3:</u> Trustees Frank Rivera III (2022), Brian Swanson (2024), and Carolyn Swanson (2024) reside in Area 3. Area 3 will be up for election in 2022. Trustee Rivera will be able to run for this seat when his current term expires in 2022. Trustees Swanson and Swanson can serve out the remainder of their current at-large terms until 2024. At that time (2024), they will be off the Board, and must wait to run in Trustee Area 3 until it is next up for election in 2026. Alternatively, they can consider resigning their current at-large seats (and the corresponding remaining two years on their terms), to run for the newly created Trustee Area 3 in November 2022, with a new four year term. *</p>

		<p><i>*Note that there is an open question as to whether a Board member would need to resign a current at-large seat in order to pull papers to run for the New Trustee Area 3 seat. This decision is likely left to the local Registrar of Voters.</i></p>
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<a href="#"><u>Option 2</u></a>	<p><b>2022 election</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Area 2</li> <li>• Area 4</li> <li>• Area 5</li> </ul> <p><b>2024 election</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Area 1</li> <li>• Area 3</li> </ul>	<p><u>Trustee Area 1:</u> Area 1 is not up for election until 2024, meaning it would remain without a Board member residing within its boundaries until after the November 2024 election.</p> <p><u>Trustee Area 3:</u> Trustees Frank Rivera III (2022), Brian Swanson (2024), and Carolyn Swanson (2024) reside in Area 3. In this option, Area 3 is up for election in 2024, but Trustee Rivera’s term will end in 2022. Unless Trustee Rivera chooses to move to a different trustee area, Trustee Rivera will be off the Board when his current term ends and will not be able to run in Area 3 until it comes up for election in 2024.</p> <p><u>Trustee Area 4:</u> Area 4 does not have a current Board member living within its boundaries, but it will be up for election in November 2022. Therefore, beginning in December 2022, it will have a Board member residing within its boundaries.</p>
<a href="#"><u>Option 3</u></a>	<p><b>2022 election</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Area 1</li> <li>• Area 2</li> <li>• Area 5</li> </ul> <p><b>2024 election</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Area 3</li> <li>• Area 4</li> </ul>	<p><u>Trustee Area 1:</u> Area 1 does not have a current Board member living within its boundaries, but it will be up for election in November 2022. Therefore, beginning in December 2022, it will have a Board member residing within its boundaries.</p> <p><u>Trustee Area 3:</u> Trustees Frank Rivera III (2022), Brian Swanson (2024), and Carolyn Swanson (2024) reside in Area 3. In this option, Area 3 is up for election in 2024, but Trustee Rivera’s term will end in 2022. Unless Trustee Rivera chooses to move to a different trustee area, Trustee Rivera will be off the Board after his current term ends and will not be able to run in Area 3 until it comes up for election in 2024.</p> <p><u>Trustee Area 4:</u> Area 4 is not up for election until 2024, meaning it would remain without a Board member residing within its boundaries until the November 2024 election.</p>