## Transfer of Territory

Prior to a decision by the Board of Directors regarding a Request for a Transfer of Territory, the Superintendent will facilitate a meeting for representatives of the West Valley Board of Directors to meet with representatives of the neighboring School District to discuss the proposed request.

At the meeting, the parties will follow all applicable laws and regulations, as well as the Guidelines for Changing School District Boundaries (OSPI, 2021). When determining whether the request has merit, the parties will consider the following factors:

- 1. Needs of the statewide community at large
- 2. Logical service boundaries
- 3. Changing economic patterns
- 4. Educational opportunities and disparities
- 5. Wise use of public funds
- 6. Student achievement data
- 7. Safety and welfare of pupils
- 8. Urban growth, city boundaries, or planned communities
- 9. History of the community
- 10. Geographic accessibility
- 11. Reduction or increase in student transportation costs
- 12. Number of school-age children impacted
- 13. Assessed valuation of property
- 14. Bond indebtedness impact
- 15. History of the property
- 16. Creation of additional burdens
- 17. Impact on school district improvements
- 18. Funding considerations
- 19. Positive outcomes
- 20. Negative outcomes
- 21. Additional factors to be considered

After meeting with the representatives of the neighboring School District, the West Valley School Board will convene at a public meeting and take action regarding the request.

If both School Boards agree the transfer should take place, the matter will be forwarded to Educational Service District 105 for further processing.

If both School Boards agree the transfer should not take place, the petition will be dismissed.

If the School Boards do not agree whether the transfer should take place, the processes from RCW 28A.315 and WAC 392-340 will be followed until a final resolution is reached.

Adoption Date: 06/24

Classification: Discretionary

**Revised Dates:**