SJECCD REDISTRICTING PROCESS GUIDING PRINCIPLES

The SJECCD’s process of re-drawing the boundaries of the trustee areas for the Board of Trustees following the 2020 federal census will be guided by the following principles:

1. The new trustee areas should ensure the ability of minority racial and ethnic communities’ equal opportunities to elect trustees of their own choosing, in accordance with the Voting Rights Act, thereby producing a diverse board representative of the community it serves.

2. The trustee areas should be as nearly equal in total population as practicable, given consideration of all criteria.

3. To the extent that trustee areas deviate from equality of population, consideration should be given to areas, which in the past decade have grown disproportionate to other trustee areas.

4. Changes in trustee area boundaries should be made with the maximum possible community involvement and participation.

5. In determining boundaries of trustee areas, boundaries should follow geographic and topographic features, whenever possible consistent with other criteria.

6. Trustee areas should have contiguous territory, be functionally cohesive and honor communities of interest whenever possible, consistent with other criteria.