

CRITERIA FOR APPROVAL OF REORGANIZATION PROPOSALS

The following criteria are based on Education Code Section 35753:

1. The new districts will be adequate in terms of number of pupils enrolled.
2. The districts are each organized on the basis of a substantial community identity.
3. The proposal will result in an equitable division of property and facilities of the original district or districts.
4. The reorganization of the districts will not promote racial and ethnic discrimination or segregation.
5. The proposed reorganization will not result in any substantial increase in costs to the State.
6. The proposed reorganization will not significantly disrupt the educational programs in the proposed districts and districts affected by the proposed reorganization and will continue to promote sound educational performance in those districts.
7. The proposed reorganization will not result in a significant increase in school housing costs.
8. The proposed reorganization is not primarily designed to result in a significant increase in property values causing financial advantage to property owners because territory was transferred from one school district to an adjoining district.
9. The proposed reorganization will not cause a substantial adverse effect on the fiscal management or fiscal status of the proposed district or any existing district affected by the proposed reorganization.

The State Board of Education may approve a proposal of the reorganization of school districts if the Board determines that it is not practicable or possible to apply the criteria of this section literally and that an exceptional situation exists that warrants approval of the proposals.