

**Public Input on Proposed Agreement
with Bullis Charter School
April 25, 2019**

Background

- Prop. 39: California State Law requires districts to provide “reasonably equivalent” space for charter schools
 - No restriction on charter student enrollment
 - Space calculated on a “per student” basis
- Bullis chartered by the Santa Clara County Board of Education after LASD rejected charter, no unmet need
- Historically, BCS has turned to litigation when there is disagreement about “reasonably equivalent”

Background

- Prior to 2014, Annual Prop. 39 Process
 - Spent millions on BCS's annual lawsuits, divisive
- 2014-2019: 5-year agreement
 - BCS enrollment cap with agreement to measured growth of up to 900 in-district students by final year
- 2014: Measure N: 10 schools, 10 sites; funds for long term solution to resolve school overcrowding/site sharing

Background

- 2018: 10th Site collaboration with City of Mountain View
- 2018: Per 5-year agreement, mediation begins to discuss new long term agreement
- November 1, 2018: BCS Initiates Prop. 39
 - Unilateral, abrupt enrollment increase to 1,058 in-district students
 - Requests exclusive use of Egan for 2019-20 school year

Proposed Agreement Summary

- 10+ year agreement with BCS cap at 1,111 students (2019-20 projected enrollment)
- No earlier than 2023, BCS receives exclusive use of 16 of 18.83 acre Egan Junior High site
 - LASD keeps 2.83 acres for affordable teacher housing
- LASD constructs new Egan Campus at 10th site, open 2023 at the earliest
- Prior to Egan Junior High completion, BCS stays at Egan/ Blach; without expansion to other campuses

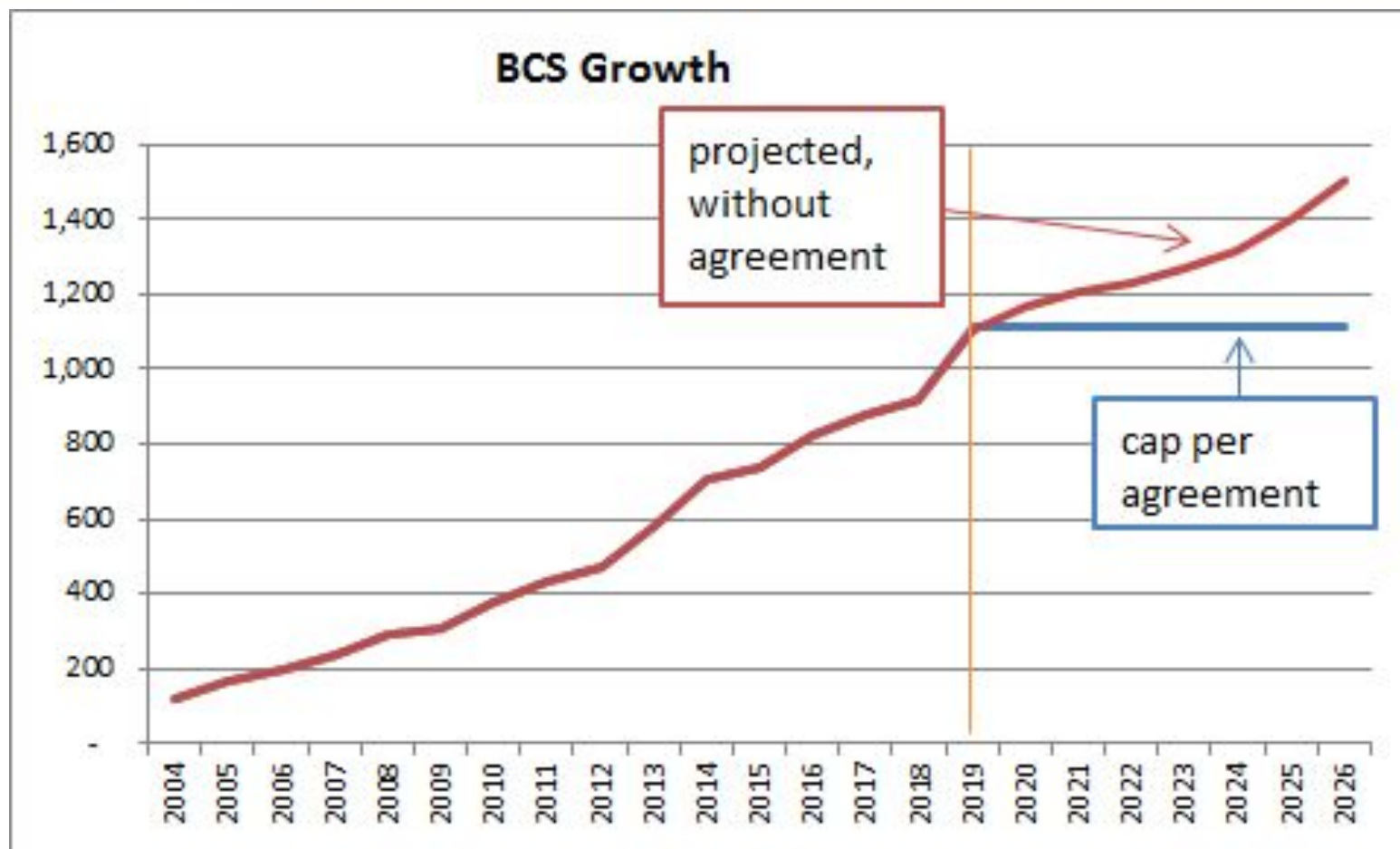
Proposal Benefits to LASD

- Stops unchecked BCS growth by enforcing an enrollment cap
- Provides facilities stability without additional schools impacted beyond Blach and Egan, which already share
- Achieves compromise that ends divisive, rigid Prop. 39 process and likely lawsuits
- Satisfies LASD's obligations to BCS over the next 10+ years without spending millions on facilities for them
- Resolves school sharing, houses 10 schools on 10 sites

Proposal Benefits to LASD Continued

- Gives LASD students exclusive use of their own campuses and protects our neighborhood elementary schools
- Keeps Egan school community intact
- Maximizes taxpayer dollars by leveraging over \$100 million in contributions from developers and the City of Mountain View for the construction of a brand new junior high campus
- Preserves a portion of the current Egan campus for LASD's future use to create teacher housing

Long Term Agreement Needs Enrollment Cap



Frequently Heard Concerns

- Traffic and safety at 10th Site, specifically more students crossing El Camino
- Traffic concerns with BCS at current Egan site
- Losing current Egan campus & neighborhood cohesion
- Mediation didn't allow for public input, desire to view more data and list of all options considered
 - Asking for more time for public input, consideration
- Appropriateness of 10th Site as school campus

Public Input Process to Date

Board Meeting: April 8

- Dozens of public comments

Board Office Hours: April 8, 10, 24

Meetings at All School Sites

- Concerns, questions and ideas from hundreds
- Last scheduled meeting tomorrow

Hundreds of emails

Tonight's Discussion

Preliminary Board Comments

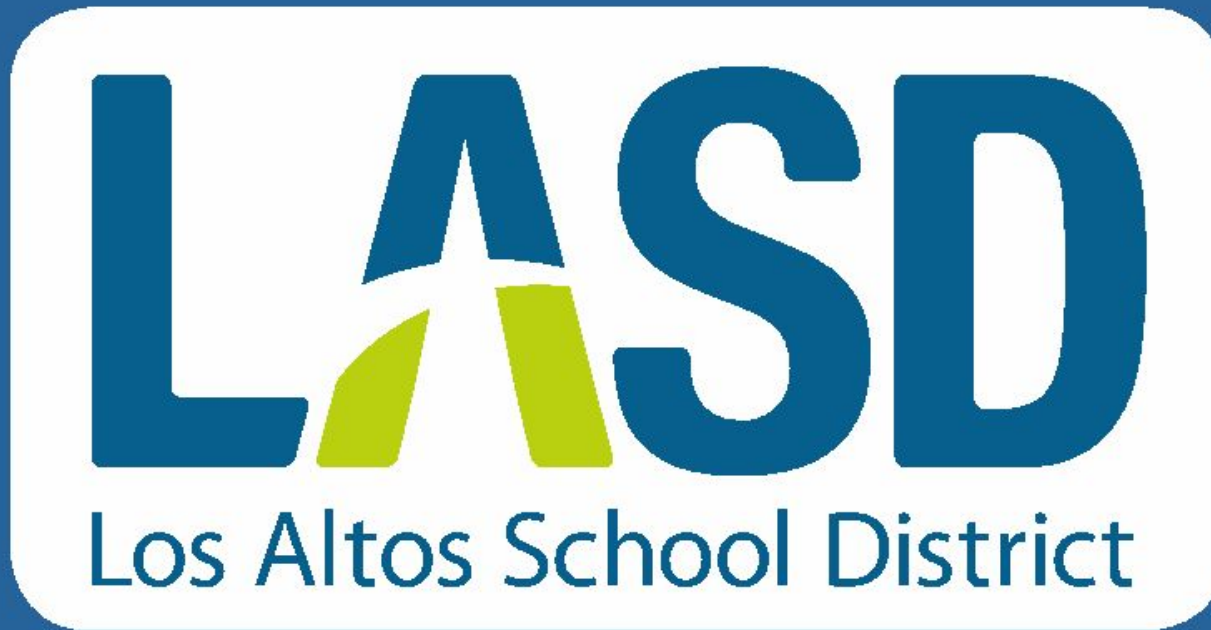
- Impressions of public input to date

Public Comment

Board Discussion

- Agreement on the agenda of the April 29th board meeting for possible action.

Appendix



**Proposed Agreement with Bullis
Charter School
April 8, 2019**

Background

What is Prop. 39?

- California State Law passed in 2000
- Requires districts to provide “reasonably equivalent” space for charter schools, without any restriction on charter student enrollment
 - Includes classroom, outdoor, specialized spaces, etc. and calculated per student
- Yearly process beginning November 1
- Process and calendar dictated by law

Background Prop. 39 and BCS

- Bullis chartered by the Santa Clara County Board of Education over the objection of LASD
 - LASD has little to no power to protect against growing charter school
 - Consistently encroaching on facilities and finances
 - County Board provides little oversight
- Historically, BCS has turned to litigation when there is disagreement about “reasonably equivalent”

Background

5-Year Agreement

- Prior to 2014, Annual Prop. 39 Process
 - Spent millions on lawsuits, annually divisive
- 2014: 5 year agreement, expires end of current school year
 - BCS enrollment cap of 900 in-district students
 - Facilities stability from enrollment certainty
 - Time to find long term solution
 - Measure N on ballot to place 10 schools on 10 sites, long term solution to house BCS, resolve school overcrowding/site sharing

Background 10th Site in NEC

- Years of public input: seek a 10th site
- Exhaustive search of all possible properties
- Unique collaboration with City of Mountain View
 - Transfer Development Rights: \$80 million towards purchase
 - Park in Lieu from Mountain View: \$23 million towards purchase

Background

10th Site in NEC

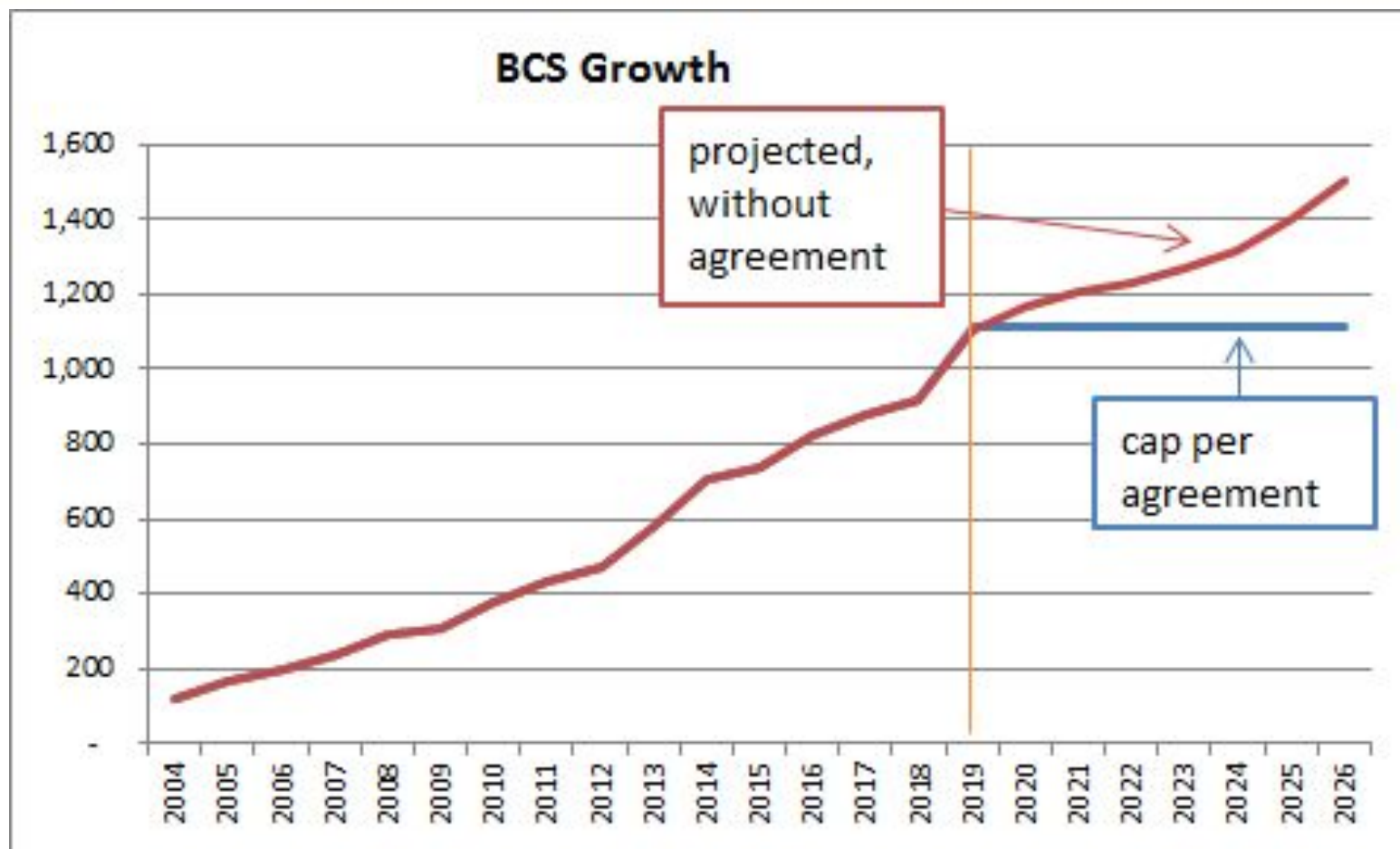
- New school, new park and recreational facilities in a part of the Los Altos School District that needs both
 - 27% of LASD students live in Mountain View (22% of Egan students), with growing community
- City of Mountain View Joint Use Agreement
 - LASD will place a neighborhood elementary, neighborhood junior high school, or choice/charter school with a neighborhood preference on site
 - LASD cannot compel BCS to include a neighborhood preference

Background

Proposed Agreement vs. Prop 39

- 2017-2018: BCS and LASD met several times in mediation re: new long term agreement
- Summer 2018: BCS announces abrupt enrollment increase to 1,058 in-district students for 2019-2020
- November 1, 2018: BCS submitted Prop. 39 Facilities Request for 2019-20
 - Requests exclusive use of Egan for 2019-20 school year
 - Under Prop. 39, district required to provide facilities for all in-district students, no restrictions on charter growth

Need for BCS Enrollment Cap



Mediation Background

- February 1, 2019: LASD submits preliminary facilities offer to BCS
 - New sharing of specialized space at Egan and Blach
 - Additional sharing of non-classroom space at Egan and Blach
 - New shared site at Loyola for increased enrollment
- February 2019: Mediation resumes to seek a long term agreement
- April 2019: Mediation team proposes agreement to Board and community

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Public Input Process Important Dates

Public input and transparent community discussion are required to finalize agreement

More Board Meetings: April 25, 29 at 7pm

Board Office Hours (at District Office):

- **April 8, 12-2**
- **April 10, 9-11**
- **April 24, 11-1**

Email: trustees@lasdschools.org

Public Input Process

Important Dates

School Site Forums

Almond	April 10, 7pm	April 25, 9am
Blach	April 11, 9am	April 23, 8pm
Covington	April 10, 4pm	April 22, 8:35am
Egan	April 9, 8pm	April 11, 7pm
Gardner Bullis	April 12, 9am	April 24, 6pm
Loyola	April 9, 6pm	
Oak	April 26, 8:45am	
Santa Rita	April 5, 9am	April 23, 6pm
Springer	April 22, 6pm	