

Fair Votes School Board Region Map Proposal

July 2023

Dear Voting Region Committee-

Thank you for engaging the CB FairVotes team in your review process. After reviewing the following slides, we hope that you will have a clear understanding of why we formed our team and created the FairVotes Plan. After many conversations in our communities, we developed 5 guiding principles to keep our mission clear. The following slides will introduce each of those principles and show you how we address them.

We look forward to having our team members provide more detail on August 16.

Sincerely, CBFairVotes



Our Process

- Research PA School code & laws governing voting map development
- Research other Bucks County and large PA districts' voting maps
- Have conversations with community members about the current map and the map approved by CBSD Board in November 2022
- Develop “Guiding Principles”
- Create a proposed map
- Share our proposal and collect petition signatures (>3600)

CBSD Fair Votes Guiding Principles

01

Create regions as equal in population size as possible.

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Reflect the voter demographics of the district in each region.

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Increase the power of each voter by allowing them to vote every 2 years instead of every 4 years.

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Avoid voter disenfranchisement.

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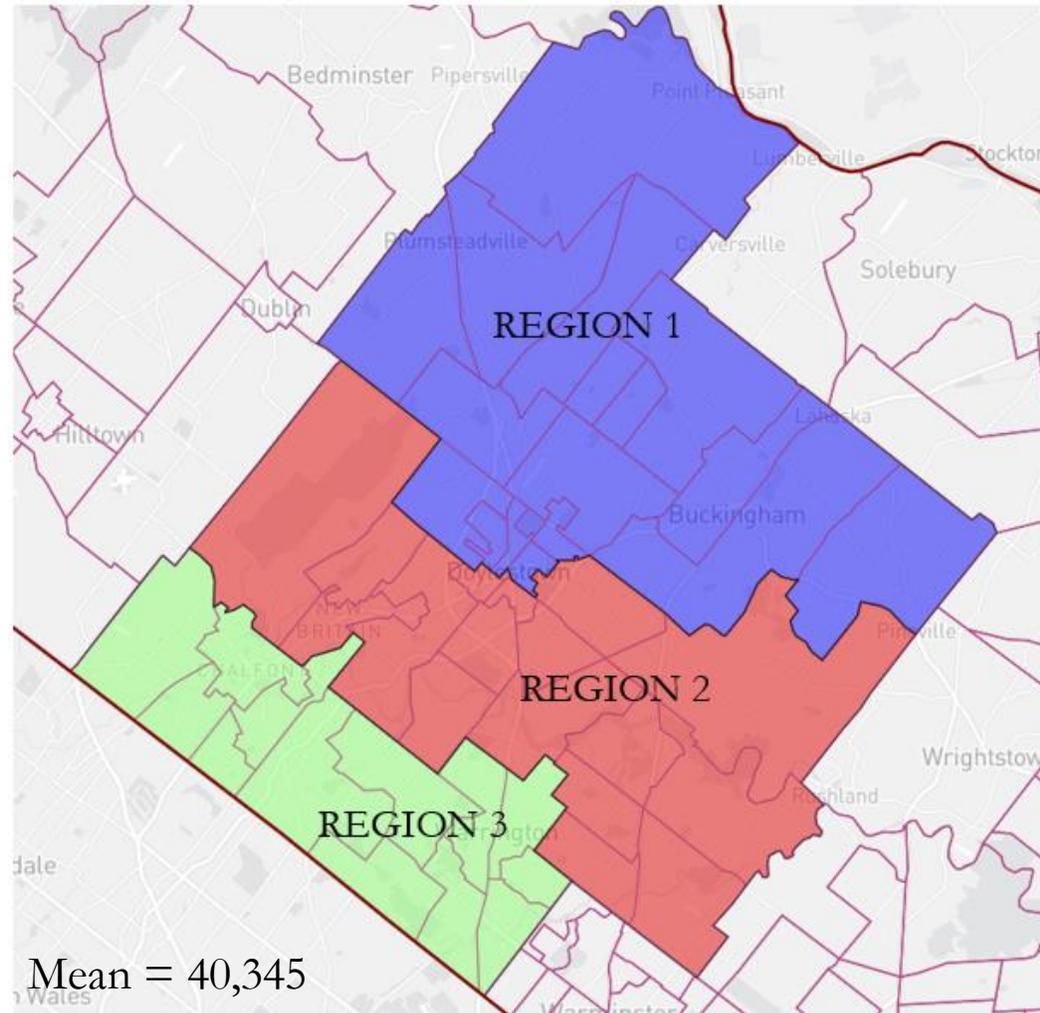
Avoid impact on incumbent directors.

1- Create regions as equal in population size as possible.

Region 1- 39,662

Region 2- 40,116

Region 3- 41,256



	Difference from Mean	% difference from Mean
Region 1	683	1.7%
Region 2	229	0.6%
Region 3	911	2.3%

Population Distribution across Regions

REGION 1	REGION 2	REGION 3
Population = 39662	Population = 40116	Population = 41256
Buckingham Twp Lower 2	Buckingham Twp Lower 1	Chalfont Borough
Buckingham Twp Middle 1 & 2	Doylestown Borough 3-1 & 3-2	New Britain Twp South 1 & 2
Buckingham Twp Upper 1 thru 4	Doylestown Twp 1 thru 5, 7 & 8	New Britain Twp West 1 & 2
Doylestown Borough 1-1 & 1-2	New Britain Twp East 1	Warrington Twp 1 thru 8
Doylestown Borough 2-1 & 2-2	New Britain Borough	
Doylestown Twp 6	Warwick Twp 1 thru 5	
Plumstead Twp 1 thru 5		

Data Source: Correspondence re Redistricting from Jeff Garton to CBSD Board Members (Data as of the 2020 Census provided by the U.S. Census Bureau, per P.L. 94-171 2020 Census Redistricting Data.)

2- Reflect the voter demographics of the district in each region.

	REPUBLICAN		DEMOCRAT		INDEPENDENT/OTHER PARTY	
CBSD Total	39521	43.0%	36514	39.7%	15922	17.3%
REGION	REPUBLICAN		DEMOCRAT		INDEPENDENT/OTHER PARTY	
Region 1	13487	42.4%	12556	39.4%	5785	18.2%
Region 2	13813	43.5%	12530	39.4%	5442	17.1%
Region 3	12221	43.1%	11428	40.3%	4695	16.6%

Source: Bucks County Board of Elections – March 2022

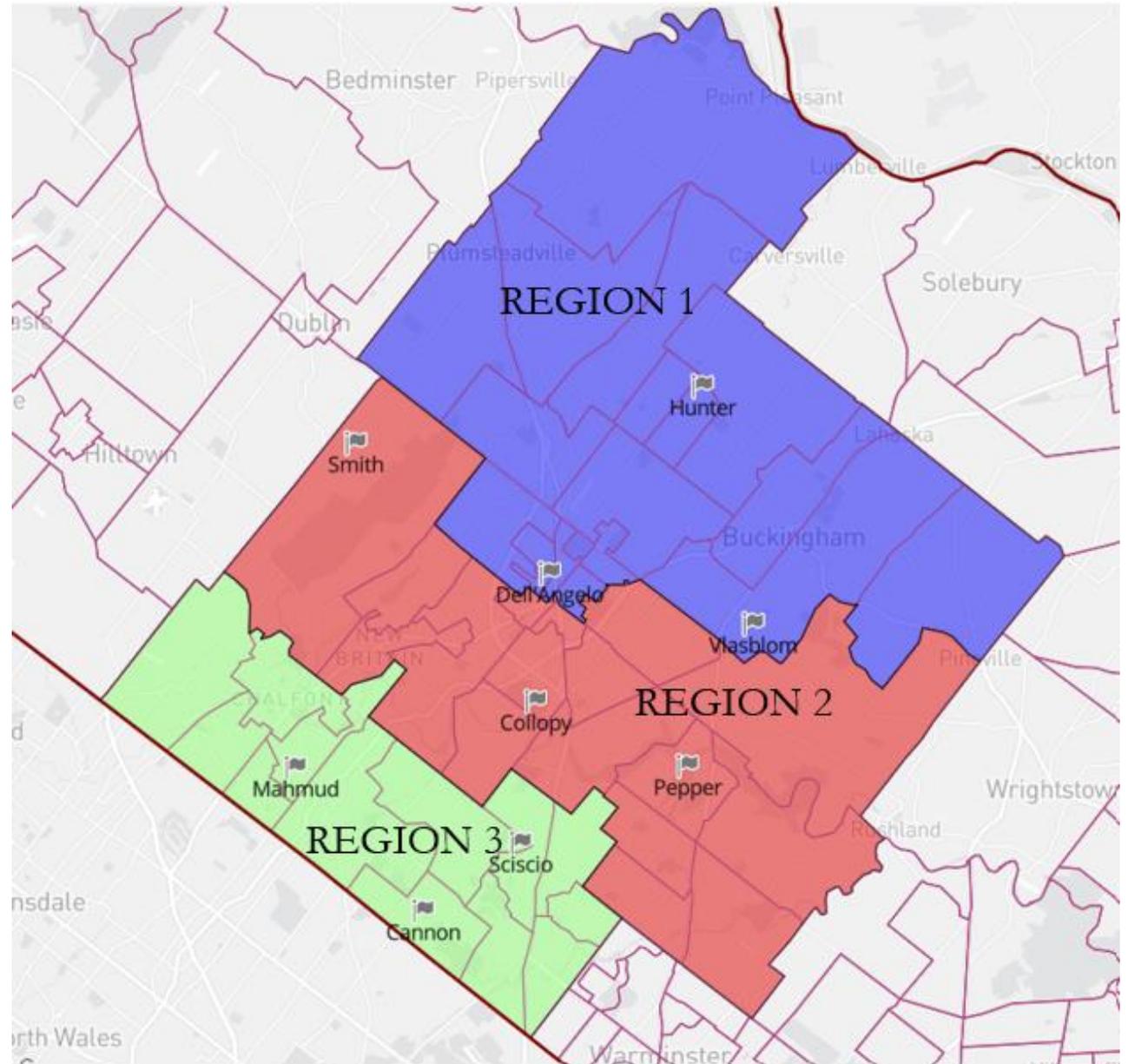
3- Increase the power of each voter by allowing them to vote every 2 years instead of every 4 years.

Example Voting Schedule:

	2025	2027
Region 1	1 Director	2 Directors
Region 2	1 Director	2 Directors
Region 3	2 Directors	1 Director
Total*	4 Directors	5 Directors

* Alternating 5/4 open director positions is required by PA School Code Article III Section 303.

5-Avoid
impact on
incumbent
directors.



CBSD Fair Votes Petition

- CB Fair Votes collected over 3,600 signatures in support of our plan in January of 2023.
- Signatures from a cross section of the electorate, Democrats, Republicans, and Independent voters from all 9 municipalities.

Petition to Redistrict the Central Bucks School District into Three Election Regions for the Election of School Directors

We, the undersigned resident qualified electors of the Central Bucks School District, do hereby petition the Court of Common Pleas of Bucks County, Pennsylvania, to approve a three (3) region plan for the election of School Directors, meaning that instead of the current nine regions each with a single director, the district would be partitioned into three regions each with three School Directors.

Region 1	Region 2	Region 3
Buckingham Lower 2	Buckingham Lower 1	Charlton
Buckingham Middle 1 & 2	Doylestown Boro 3-1 & 3-2	NB South 1 & 2
Buckingham Upper 1 thru 4	Doylestown Twp 1 thru 5, 7 & 8	NB West 1 & 2
Doylestown Boro 1-1 & 1-2	NB East 1	Warrington 1 thru 8
Doylestown Boro 2-1 & 2-2	New Britain Boro	
Doylestown Twp 6	Warwick 1 thru 5	
Plumstead 1 thru 5		

SIGNATURES OF RESIDENT ELECTORS

Signature of Elector	Printed Name of Elector	House No.	Street or Road	Municipality	Date of Signing
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Summary

- Fair Votes' proposal is based in community input, school code, election laws, and local voter data.
- Incumbents are not negatively impacted
- Voters do not miss any election years