

Proposed AUSD Boundary Changes to Address Needs at Ruby Bridges and Paden

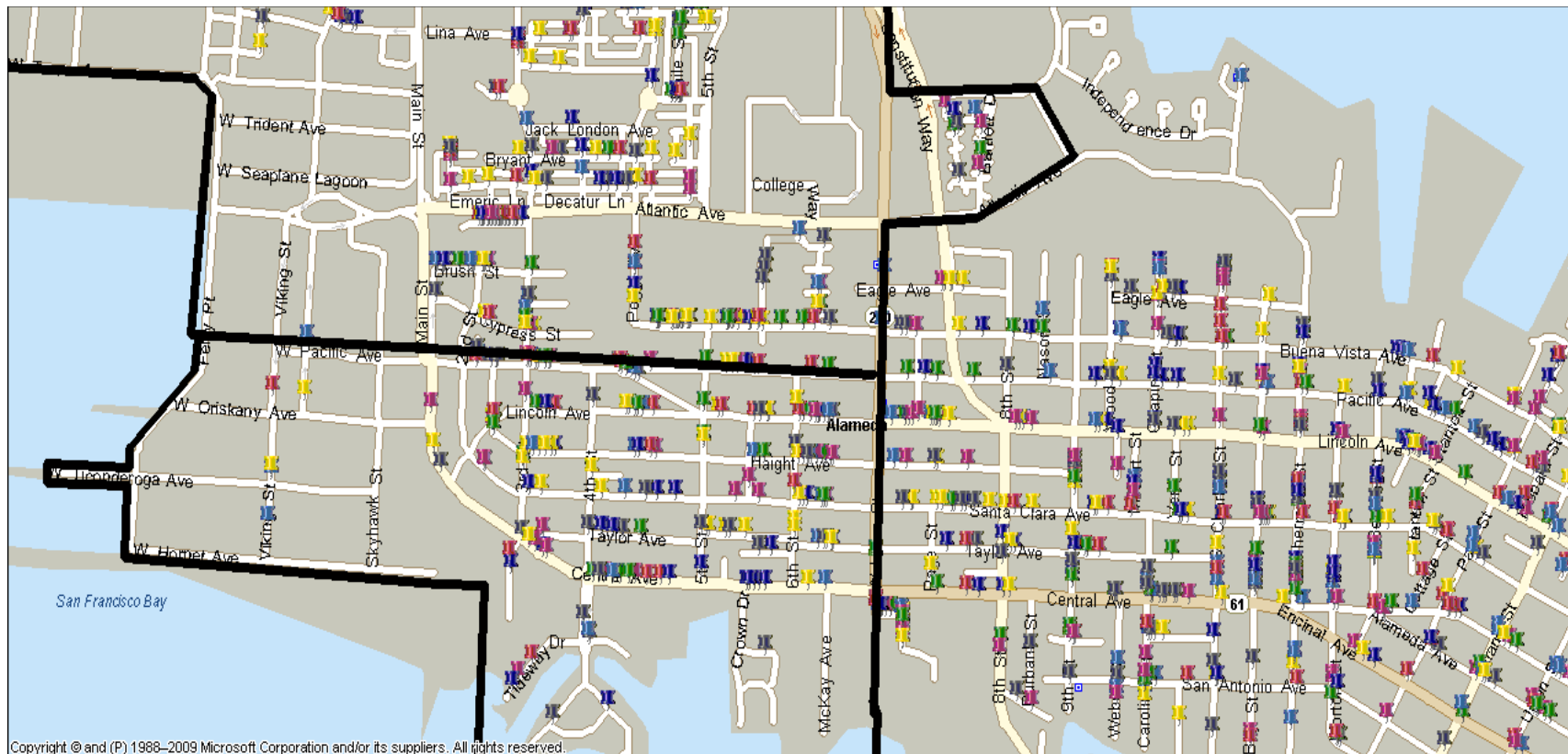
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Overview

- ❖ *During previous board meetings, AUSD has shown the current school capacity and current enrollment at each AUSD school.*
- ❖ *This presentation will address the needs to efficiently and equitably enroll students at Ruby Bridges and Paden Elementary Schools by creating a boundary change.*
- ❖ *Currently there is overcrowding at Ruby Bridges and Paden is under-enrolled.*

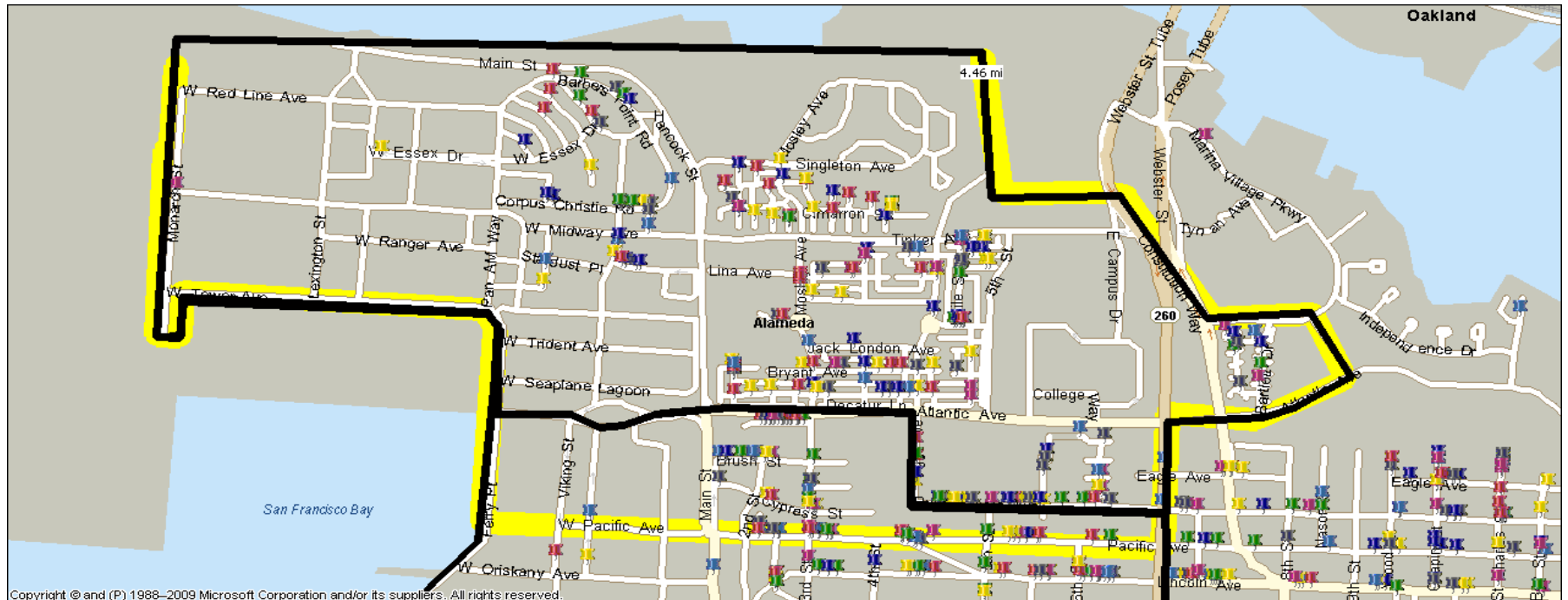
Current Ruby Bridges Paden Boundary Line Exists on Pacific Avenue

All students residing on Pacific attend Paden currently



Current enrollment at Ruby Bridges

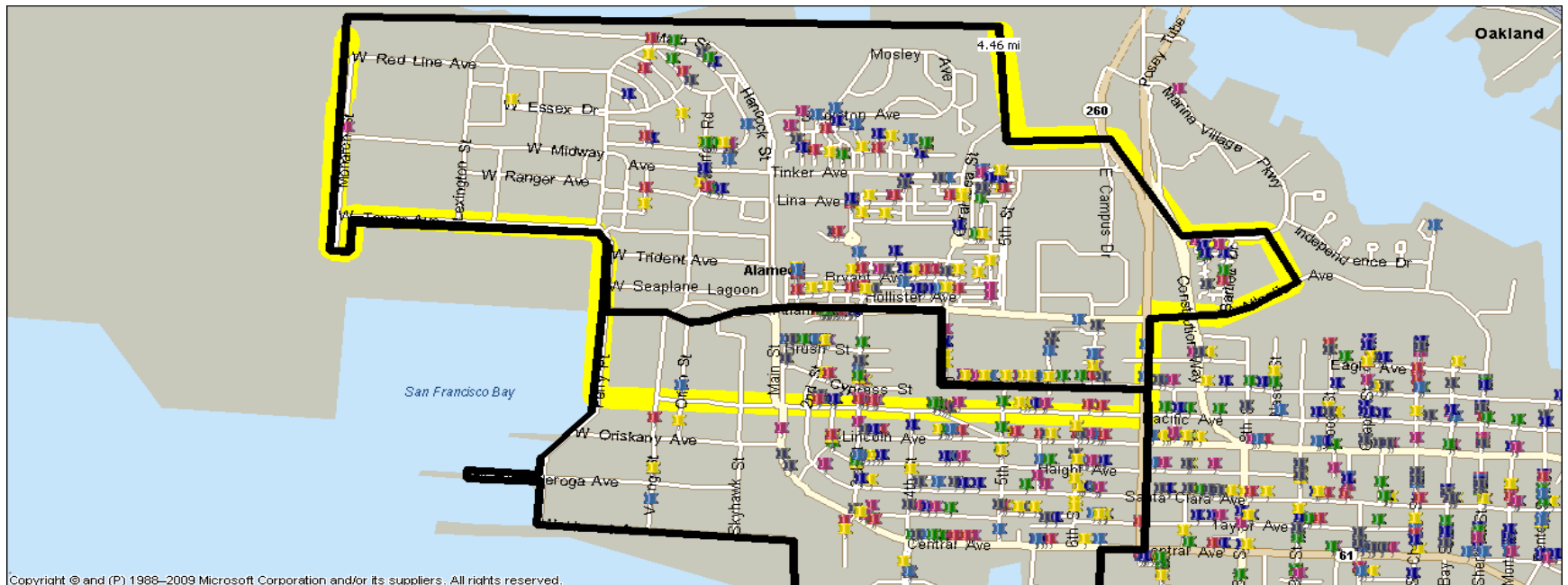
Grades	K	1	2	3	4	5	SPED	Total
Number of students	120	99	96	124	74	79	19	611
Classrooms Used	5	4	4	5	2.5	2.5	2	25



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Current enrollment at Paden

Grades	K	1	2	3	4	5	SPED	Total
Number of students	50	50	62	63	59	63	19	366
Classrooms needed	2	2	2.5	2.5	2	2	2	15



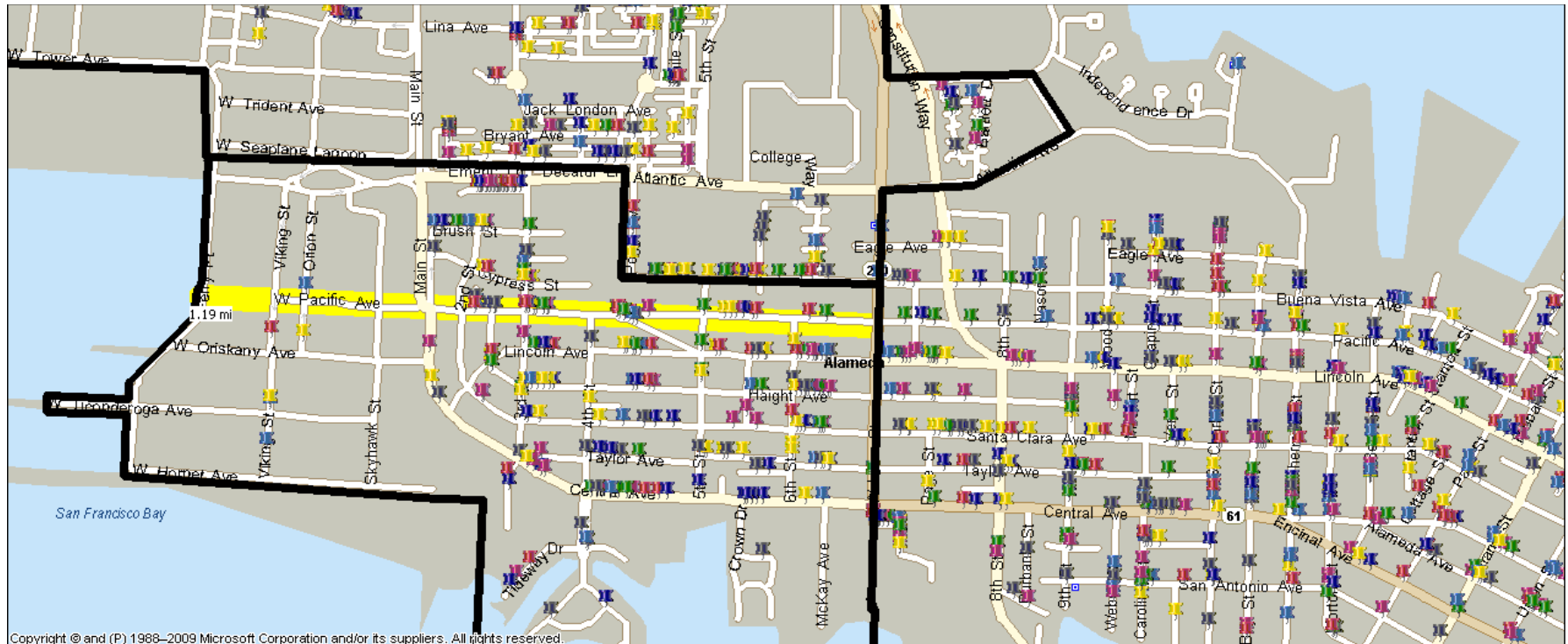
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Proposed Next Steps

- ❖ This proposal is for a boundary change to be implemented between Ruby Bridges and Paden for the 2011-2012 school year.*
- ❖ This boundary change will only affect new students entering AUSD school district for the 2011-12 school year and beyond.*
- ❖ Current students enrolled in Ruby Bridges Elementary School will not be affected by this change.*
- ❖ This proposed boundary change will ease overcrowding at Ruby Bridges and will efficiently use our existing facilities at Paden.*

Proposed Ruby Bridges / Paden Boundary Line

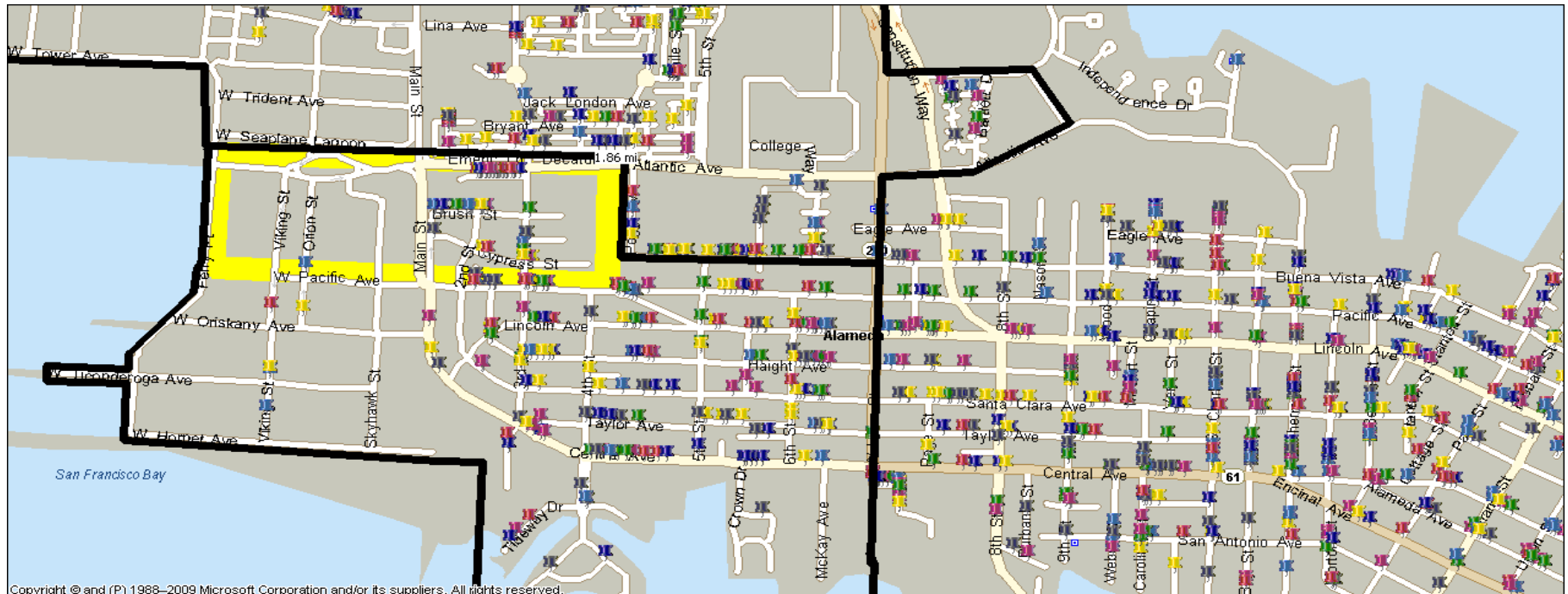
The yellow line represents the old boundary while the black represents the proposed change. Paden and Ruby Bridges boundary would change from Pacific Avenue to Buena Vista Avenue, up Poggi Street north, to Ralph Appezzato Memorial Park Way west to the Bay Street.



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Number of Students Currently Enrolled in the Affected Area

Grades	K	1	2	3	4	5	Total
Number of students	16	10	12	11	14	9	72

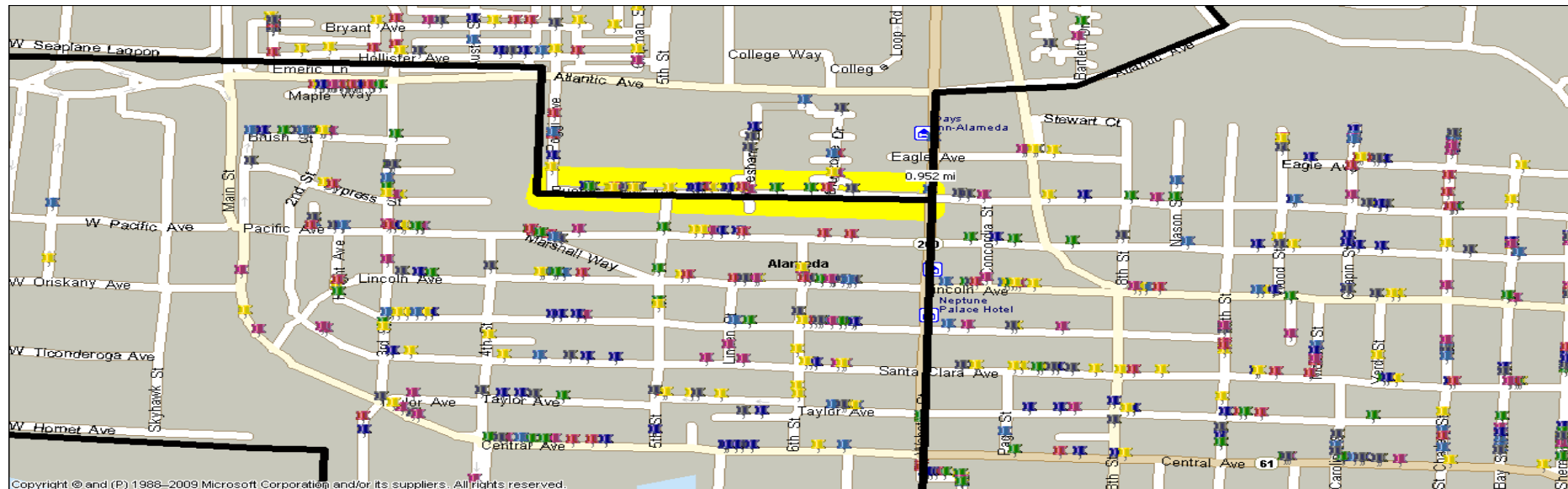


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The second part of the proposed change would be to give families residing on the 400-699 block of Buena Vista (highlighted in yellow) the choice between the two schools. This would be consistent with all other streets that represent a boundary line between elementary schools and middle schools. Families living on these streets would be given the choice between the two schools.

Below are the current number of students living on Buena Vista Avenue in the proposed change zone.

Grades	K	1	2	3	4	5	Total
Number of students	33	34	37	40	17	28	189



Ramifications and Effects of Change

The boundary will affect families living on the following streets:

- *1700 block of 5th Street*
- *1700 block of Webster Street*
- *1700-1900 block of 3rd Street*
- *2nd Street*
- *Cypress Street*
- *Brush Street*
- *Maple Street*
- *Spruce Street*

This will increase the distance that some families will have to travel to their resident school. Staff mapped the furthest address from Paden which was on Maple Street. Currently that address is 0.4 miles from Ruby Bridges. This represents a 7 minute walk or 2 minute drive. The change to Paden would increase the distance to 0.8 miles. This represents a 16 minute walk or 4 minute drive.

Ramifications and Effects of Change

- ❖ *If enrollment trends continue over the next 5 years, we reduce the enrollment of Ruby Bridges by between 100 and 150 students by creating this boundary change.*

- ❖ *We thus create a trend of 4 classrooms per grade level in K-3 and 3 per grade level in 4 and 5.*

- ❖ **Benefits:**
 - ❖ *Less students on yards at recess*
 - ❖ *Less traffic*
 - ❖ *Less time in line at lunch*
 - ❖ *Less supervision needed*
 - ❖ *Smaller groups for differentiated instruction*
 - ❖ *More flex space for small group instruction*

- ❖ **Disadvantages:**
 - ❖ *Some students will have a slightly longer walk to school.*

Ramifications and Effects of Change

❖ If enrollment trends continue over the next 5 years, we will increase the enrollment of Paden by between 100 and 150 students by creating this boundary change. This will allow us to add another classroom each year which will take the average from 2 classes per grade level in K-3 to 3 and eventually will lead us to 2.5 classes per grade level in 4 and 5.

❖ Benefits:

- ❖ Collaboration with more teachers*
- ❖ The ability to differentiate and group students*
- ❖ Efficient use of facilities*

❖ Disadvantages:

- ❖ Slight increase in traffic down Third Street and Encinal*
- ❖ Increase in students on yard during recess and lunch*
- ❖ Loss of some flex space*

Goal and Recommendation

By 2016, it is AUSD's goal that both Ruby Bridges and Paden will be effectively using their space while efficiently and equitably enrolling students with minimum disruption to families.

Our recommendation is that the Board of Education approve the proposed boundary change for the 2011-12 school year.