

Mansfield ISD Elections:

Single-Member Districts

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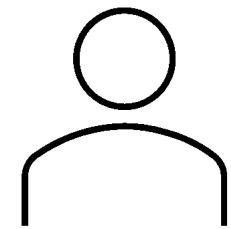
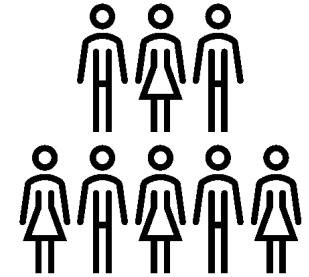
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AT-LARGE v. SINGLE MEMBER

- **“At-Large” District =**
 - Board trustees are elected at-large by numbered places.
 - Voters throughout the entire District may vote in each race.
- **Single member school district =**
 - The District is divided geographically into individual trustee districts.
 - Each district elects only one trustee.
 - Voters vote in the race for the single-member district in which they reside, and in any at-large district races.



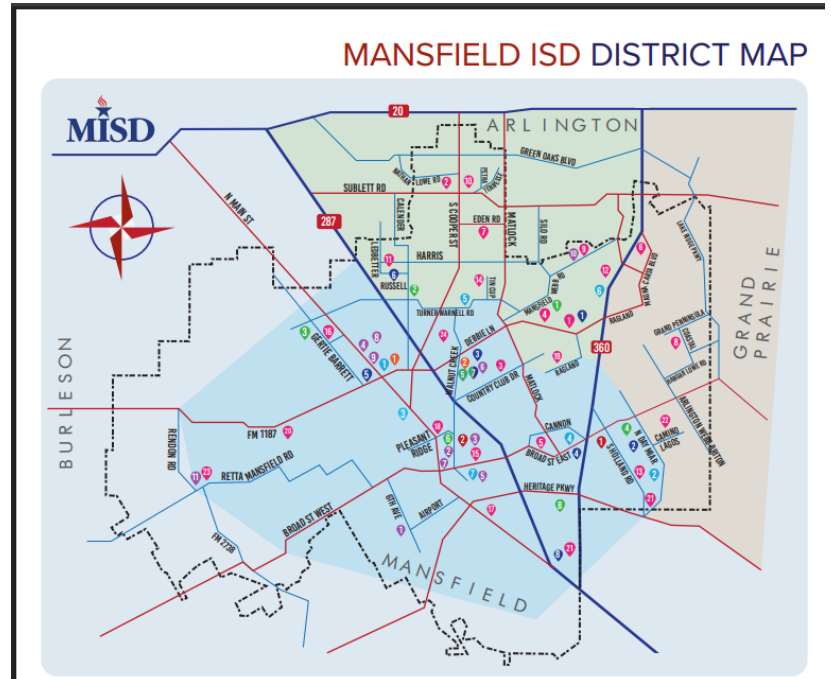
TRANSITION TO SINGLE MEMBER DISTRICTS

- On its own motion, a board may order that trustees are to be elected from single-member districts. TEC §11.052(a).
- A board must:
 - Hold a public hearing to give registered voters an opportunity to comment in favor or against the election system change; and
 - Publish notice of the hearing in a newspaper at least 7 days before the public hearing.
- An order of the board adopting single-member districts must be entered not later than the 120th day before the date of the first election at which all or some of the trustees are elected from single-member trustee districts authorized by the order.
 - Election Day = May 1, 2027
 - Deadline to Adopt Single-Member Districts = January 1, 2027



NEXT STEPS

1. Understand legal requirements
2. Demographic analysis
3. Obtain trustee and community input
4. Draw and redraw alternative plans
5. Public input/comment on plans
6. Adopt a resolution establishing single-member districts including a final map & plan



CREATING THE NEW MAP - CRITERIA

- ☐ **Preserve incumbencies**
- ☐ **Adopt single-member districts of substantially equal size**
- ☐ **Adopt compact and contiguous districts**
- ☐ **Use identifiable geographic boundaries for single-member district boundaries when possible**
- ☐ **Maintaining communities of interest such as neighborhoods**
- ☐ **Use or account for other political boundaries:**
 - Voting precincts
 - Polling places



Any
Questions

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