

To: GPS Community
From: Dr. Christina M. Kishimoto, Superintendent
Date: March 8, 2017
RE: Gilbert Classical Academy Permanent Location Discussion

Thank you for your continued interest in the identification of a permanent location for the Gilbert Classical Academy (GCA). On February 28th, the Governing Board voted against the proposal for a construction project that would bring GCA and Mesquite Junior High School onto a shared campus. This has been a long and difficult process, and I want to thank Principals Dan Johnson and Dan Hood for their leadership, and I thank the community for your input.

The Board leadership made a commitment at the February 28th meeting to come together to propose and explore an alternate plan. The leadership of the Board is proposing a discussion at the **March 28th Board meeting** of the following alternative:

Approach

Members of the GPS Governing Board would like to explore the viability of combining Mesquite Junior High School and Mesquite High School onto one campus - Mesquite High School, for the 2017-18 school year or for the 2018-19 school year. The Governing Board will discuss the viability of:

- Creating one 7-12 grade school at Mesquite High School
- Reassigning the Mesquite Junior High School to Gilbert Classical Academy

Timeline

- This proposal will be discussed by the Governing Board on March 28th.
- Multiple targeted public forums and an open forum will be held in early April.

If you would like to submit a prepared statement for the GPS Governing Board, please go to the following link: <http://bit.ly/GCProposal>

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