



# Updating Attendance Boundaries

Maryland Elementary • Ocotillo Elementary • Palo Verde Middle School

# WESD Rationale for Current New Proposals

- Improve student safety, reduce transport times and decrease costs by minimizing busing of students across I-17
- Maximize the use of our buildings and space based on enrollment
- Standardize our District to be a natural East/West split with attendance boundaries on either side of I-17
- Work to establish a more stabilized enrollment across the District
- Reduce the amount of time students are on a bus by attending a closer school



# Proposal Details

- 151 students in Kindergarten through 8<sup>th</sup> grade currently live in the three apartments West of I-17 that are within the Maryland attendance boundary
  - 28 are 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders
  - 123 are Kindergarten – 6<sup>th</sup> grade
- Change would add approximately one classroom of students to Palo Verde and four to Ocotillo
- Original attendance boundary configuration was designed in 2006 to accommodate for overcrowding at Ocotillo
  - This change would put the attendance boundaries back where they were originally



# Rationale

- Enhance safety crossing I-17, minimize transportation time, and reduce costs
- Provide greater flexibility for future enrollment and program needs within the District
- Standardize East/West attendance boundaries within the District
  - Would now simplify the boundary to North of Bethany Home Rd and West of I-17 for the newly affected area



# Grandfather Options

## Maryland to Palo Verde

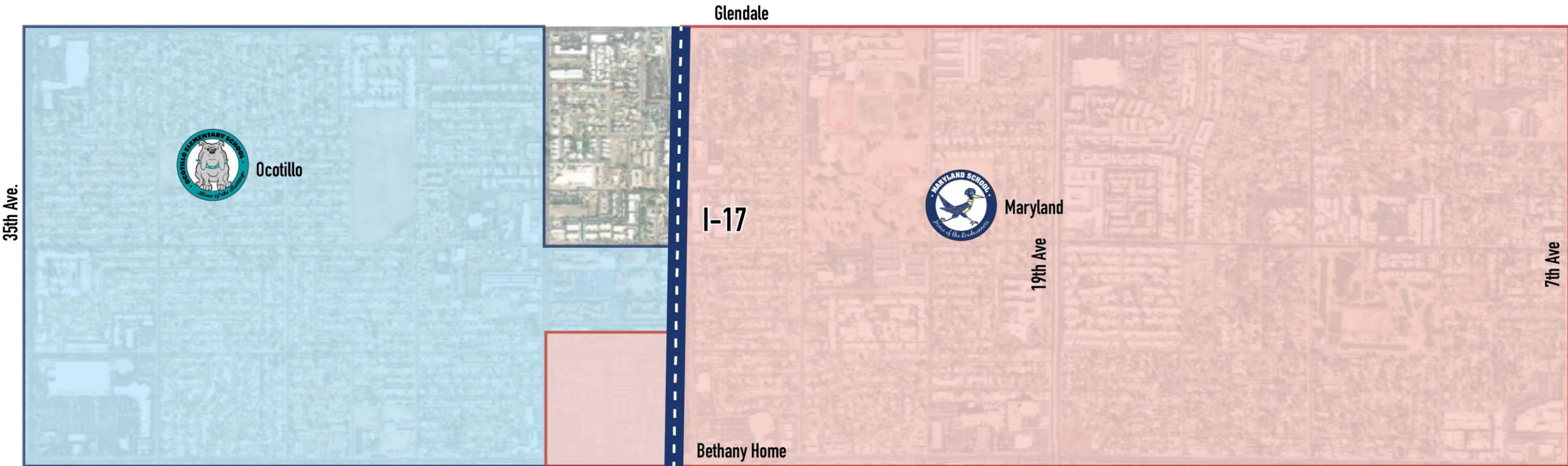
- For one year only (2020/2021), allow 7<sup>th</sup> graders an opportunity to stay at Maryland for 8<sup>th</sup> grade to promote with their peers
- Transportation would be provided for this one school year

## Maryland to Ocotillo

- Allow K-6 grade levels to follow WESD open enrollment guidelines
- No additional transportation to be provided outside of standard operations

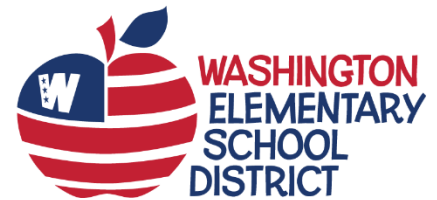


# Current Boundaries

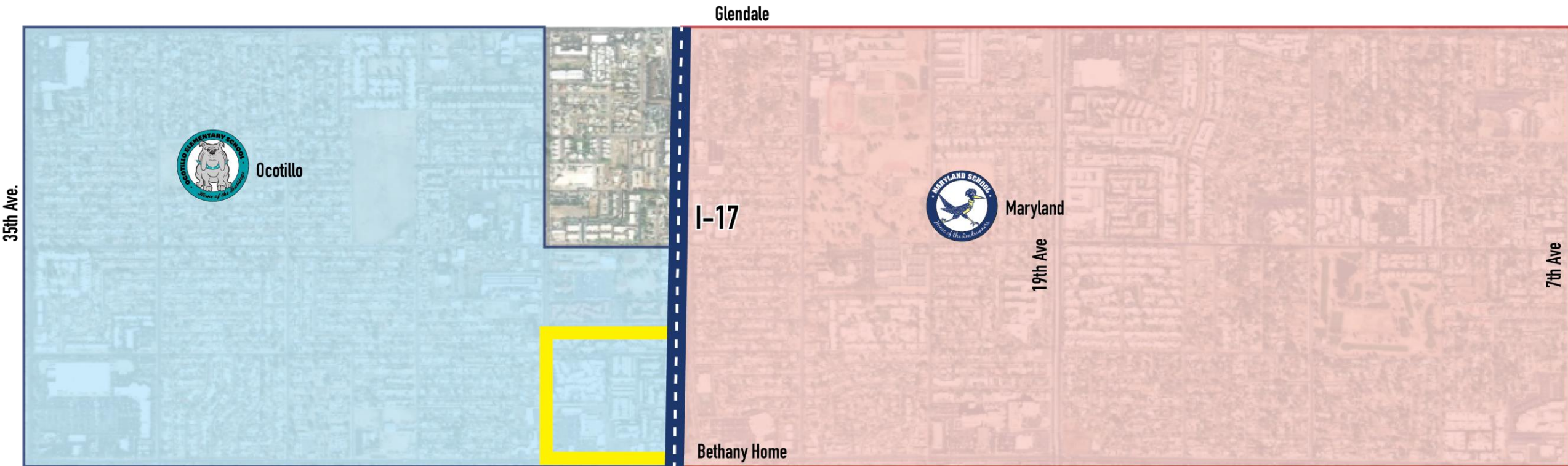


Ocotillo

Maryland



# Proposed Boundaries



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