# RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE OAKLAND UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

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- Relocate Westlake Middle (CDS: 01612596057095) to 991 14<sup>th</sup> Street, Oakland, CA 96704 (West Oakland Middle campus) for the 2022-23 year, and then merge it into West Oakland Middle (CDS: 01612590115626) for the start of the 2023-24 year. Pursuant to Board Policy 5116.1, all students currently enrolled in grades 6 and 7 at Westlake Middle shall be provided with Opportunity Ticket enrollment preference for enrollment in 2022-23.
- Relocate both Dewey Academy High (CDS: 01612590132688) and Ralph J.
  Bunche Continuation High (CDS: 01612590118653) to 2629 Harrison St., Oakland, CA 94612 (Westlake Middle campus) to be co-located for the 2022-23 year, and then merge Dewey into Bunche for the start of the 2023-24 year. Pursuant to Board Policy 5116.1, all students currently enrolled at both schools shall be provided with Opportunity Ticket enrollment preference for enrollment in 2022-23.
- Merge Manzanita Community Elementary (CDS: 01612596002042) into
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