

What is Prop 39?

Bullis Charter School submitted a Proposition 39 facilities request to the Los Altos School District for the 2019-2020 school year.



What does this mean?

- Proposition 39 is a California law requiring that school districts share “reasonably equivalent” space with charter public schools based on student enrollment.
- This is the first facilities request BCS has submitted in five years because of an agreement mutually signed by BCS and LASD in 2014. With the Five-Year Facilities Agreement nearly expired, and negotiations on a new agreement delayed by LASD, BCS had to file a new request for facilities for the next school year to make sure we have space for our new and current students.

Why should LASD provide facilities for BCS?

- In 2000, California voters passed Prop 39 requiring that all public school students (district and charter) have equal access to public facilities paid for with public tax dollars.
- It is the responsibility of the LASD Trustees to share facilities equally among ALL public school students in the district without favoring students in district-run schools over those in other public schools like BCS.
- Measure N also requires that LASD house BCS students in facilities “reasonably equivalent” to LASD schools as a condition of using the bond funds.
- Of the 1,105 students enrolled in BCS for the 2019-20 school year, 96% reside in-district.
- We are proud to be part of the public school ecosystem by providing another high-quality public education option to local families.

What facilities is BCS asking for?

- BCS is asking LASD to provide facilities for our expected student enrollment for the 2019 – 2020 school year.
- BCS is open to working collaboratively with LASD to find the facilities solutions that work for all students.

Is BCS asking for Egan to be shut down?

- No. Under Proposition 39, BCS was asked to name a preference for where we would like to be located. Egan was the least disruptive choice based on student body size and existing facilities, but we are open to other solutions.

Will we have facilities next year?

Yes! We are a public school and LASD is required to provide facilities for all public schools in the district. Rest assured that we will have facilities for every enrolled student next school year.