# LITTLE ROCK SCHOOL DISTRICT

## **RECONSTITUTION OF LRSD**

The Little Rock School District (LRSD) is reconstituted as follows:

- 1. There will be nine election zones established for the LRSD Board of Directors.
- 2. Election for a nine-member Board of Directors will be on November 3, 2020.

#### LITTLE ROCK SCHOOL BOARD TIMELINE

- November 3<sup>rd</sup> Election
- November 5<sup>th</sup>-23<sup>rd\*</sup> Certification and notice of election results
  - "No earlier than forty-eight (48) hours after the election and no later than the fifteenth day after the election, the county board of election commissioners, (. . .) shall proceed to ascertain, declare, and certify the result of the election to the Secretary of State." Ark. Code Ann. § 6-14-115; Ark. Code Ann. § 7-5-701(a)(1)
  - "Within nineteen (19) calendar days after any general, special, or school election, the county board of election commissioners shall deliver a certificate of election to the person having the highest number of legal votes for any county office." Ark. Code Ann. § 7-5-701(a)(4)
- November 5<sup>th</sup>-December 3<sup>rd</sup> Oath
  - Each director elected shall, "within ten (10) days after receiving notice from the county clerk", subscribe to the oath set forth in law before an individual authorized to administer the oath. Ark. Code Ann. § 6-13-617(a)(1)
  - An individual "cannot assume the duties of a director until a copy of the administration of the oath is received by the county clerk or designee". Ark. Code Ann. § 6-14-115(a)(2)(F)
- December I<sup>st</sup> Runoff elections (if necessary)
  - **December 3<sup>rd</sup>-21**<sup>st\*</sup> Certification and notice of runoff election results
  - December 3<sup>rd</sup>-3 I<sup>st</sup> Oath

#### LITTLE ROCK TIMELINE- CONT.

- December 17<sup>th</sup> Tentative first meeting of newly elected Board as determined by LRSD
  - All newly elected board members must subscribe to the oath before an authorized individual and file a copy of the administration document with the county clerk before assuming the duties of the board. Ark. Code Ann. § 6-14-115(a)(2)(F)
  - "At the first regular meeting following the later of the certification of the results of the annual school election or the certification of the results of a runoff election, the board of directors shall organize" and elect officers. Ark. Code Ann. § 6-13-618(a); LRSD Policy 1.2
  - At the first meeting, board members shall, by lot, determine staggered member terms so that an equal number of positions are filled each year and not more than three (3) members' terms expire each year. Ark. Code Ann. § 6-13-615(e)(1)
- **January 28, 2021** First meeting of newly elected Board, if unable to meet December 17<sup>th</sup> due to the need for one or more runoff elections, as determined by LRSD.
- December 17, 2020, or January 28, 2021 Community Advisory Board shall be dissolved on the date of the first meeting of the newly elected Board.
- December 31, 2021 Newly elected members must obtain no less than nine (9) hours of training and instruction by December 31 of the calendar year following the year in which the member is elected. Ark. Code Ann. § 6-13-629; LRSD Policy 1.11
  - \*Deadlines falling on a weekend or holiday when the designated filing office is closed are extended to the following business day. Ark. Code § 7-1-108

### RECONSTITUTION OF LRSD - CONT.

- 3. During the time the LRSD remains classified as in need of Level 5 Intensive Support, the locally elected LRSD Board of Directors shall exercise all day-to-day authority over the LRSD subject to three limitations:
  - The LRSD Board of Directors will not make any change to the Superintendent without the approval of the Arkansas State Board of Education (ASBE);
  - The LRSD Board of Directors will not change the manner of selection of the Personnel Policy Committee or its status within the LRSD, nor will the LRSD Board of Directors recognize any employee bargaining agent, without the approval of the ASBE; and
  - The LRSD Board of Directors shall not institute any litigation other than routine contract litigation against vendors or contractors of the LRSD without approval of the ASBE.

When the LRSD is found to have met the Level 5 – Intensive Support exit criteria, these restrictions shall be lifted.

### RECONSTITUTION OF LRSD - CONT.

- 4. Hall High School will be reorganized for the 2020-2021 school year, meaning that all staff may apply for open positions at the Hall Magnet High School or any other LRSD school, and any staff who is not selected for a position may be non-renewed.
- 5. Effective the 2020-2021 school year, the name of Pinnacle View High School will be changed to West Little Rock High School of Innovation, and the West Little Rock High School of Innovation will have its own principal.