

Dear JG Family, Greene Township Residents, and To All Whom This May Concern,

It is with great excitement and appreciation that I announce the John Glenn and South Bend School Boards have both passed resolutions to officially transfer Greene Township!

Since 2018, the residents of Greene Township, have actively pursued the opportunity to join John Glenn School Corporation. These efforts saw support from many legislative leaders. Most recently, Senator Mike Bohacek and Representative Jake Teshka have carried the “torch” for Greene’s residents.

The transfer of Greene Township from South Bend Community School Corporation (SBCSC) to John Glenn School Corporation (JGSC) is taking place through the statutory process known as, “Community School Corporations: Territory Annexations” (I.C. 20-23-5).

Now that both School Boards are in agreement and have taken official action, the school districts will work through the following legal steps:

- Publish a notice to taxpayers in the newspaper.
 - This includes a “Taxpayer remonstrance period”, outlined in I.C. 20-23-5.
- Adopt plans to outline how the School Boards will be reconstituted to include/exclude Greene.
 - This requires approval from the State Board of Education for both school districts.
 - SBCSC requires additional approval from the Department of Justice.

Pending these steps, Greene Township will be officially assessed as part of JGSC in January 2024. Finally, in August of 2024 Greene will formally be a part of JGSC for the beginning of the 2024-2025 school year. Current JGSC transportation services will continue in Greene Township for the 2022-2023 and 2023-2024 school years. JGSC bus services will expand in Greene for the 2024-2025 school year.

Please know that we are personally working through the complicated, but final intricate-approval details. Our goal is to execute a plan that is best for all of our current John Glenn students and families, while we also welcome our Greene Township neighbors into the JG Family permanently.

The financial implications of welcoming Greene Township into our formal, school district boundaries, is that the distribution of the tax levy will stretch over a greater area of the property. This will likely lessen the tax load on our current JGSC residents. Furthermore, over time, we anticipate an expansion of the tax resources available for student programs, operations, and facility improvement.

Thank you for your continued support!

Yours in Education,

Christopher Winchell