



GOOSE CREEK

CONSOLIDATED INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

REL drops to 4A in biennial district shuffle

Robert E. Lee and Ross S. Sterling have spent the past four decades slugging it out in every sport for district supremacy.

When the University Interscholastic League released its 2010-12 realignment, the Ganders and Rangers were in different districts for the first time since Sterling opened its doors on Baker Road in 1967.

Lee, as expected, moved down in classification from 5A to 4A. Sterling remained a 5A school. Classifications are based on student enrollment, and the cut off for 5A is 2,065 students. Lee's current enrollment is 1,831.

On the flipside, Lee will now face a new cross-town rival in district play: Goose Creek Memorial.

Lee now joins District 19-4A with Goose Creek Memorial, Barbers Hill, Crosby, Dayton, Galena Park, C.E. King, and North Forest.

Sterling is in District 21-5A with West Brook, Channelview, North Shore, La Porte, and Port Arthur.

Despite the district shuffle, Lee and Sterling would continue to play "The Game," the annual match up between the two Baytown rivals, though it would be a non-district contest. Lee and Sterling have fought it out on the gridiron for 43 years, and it is easily the most attended, most anticipated football game of the season. This year, Lee and Sterling will play on Aug. 27.

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