

May 21, 2021

Dear Students and Parents,

We have reached a decision regarding the schedule for next year. After much discussion, we will go to a modified 7-period schedule at both high schools for the 2021-2022 school year.

Regular 7 (Monday, Tuesday, Friday)	Early Release BLOCK Wednesday with Advisory	BLOCK (Thursday)
<ul style="list-style-type: none">● 50 min classes● 10 min Nutrition Break● 5 min passing● 10 min afternoon break● 35 minute lunch	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● 90 min classes● 35 min Advisory● 35 min lunch● 10 min Nutrition Break● 10 min afternoon break● 5 min passing	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● 90 min classes● 35 min lunch● 15 min Nutrition Break● 5 min passing● 10 min afternoon break

This schedule is an interim schedule for one year while we start the process of discussing a permanently aligned schedule between the two high schools. We have forecasted at both schools and have provided opportunities for students to take classes on either campus. If a course of interest is not offered at a student's home school, students will have the option to take such classes at the other campus with district transportation provided.

This schedule consists of 50-minute and 90-minute periods. Wednesday will still be an early release day with a built-in Advisory (Dog Team or Flight) period. This schedule allows both schools to teach 50 and 90 minute periods, giving students and staff at each campus the opportunity to experience both class lengths in order to consider the pros and cons of each during the process of further discussion over a more permanently aligned schedule.

We truly believe that it is the teacher in the classroom that fosters a strong learning and social environment for students. We have exceptional teachers in this district.

Thank you for your continued support. Together, we can continue to work together for the success of our kids! Please reach out to principals if you have any questions: South Albany principal, John.Hunter@albany.k12.or.us; West Albany principal, Susie.Orsborn@albany.k12.or.us.

Sincerely,

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