

WALL TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL

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Dear Wall High School Families and Students,

After careful review and consideration, I am happy to announce that Wall High School will be implementing a new master/bell schedule for the 2024-2025 school year. We will be moving to a rotating drop schedule featuring six classes per day for 56-minute blocks of instruction.

A group of teachers and administrators began this process in the 22-23 school year by exploring and studying alternatives to the current A/B block schedule with 84-minute blocks of instruction. The committee reviewed multiple schedules, visited several schools, and engaged in conversations and information sharing with the whole WHS faculty and with groups of WHS students and parents. The committee decided that a rotating drop schedule was the best option for Wall High School.

We believe there are a variety of reasons that implementing the rotating drop schedule will benefit Wall High School students. The new schedule will offer the same amount of instructional time over the school year, but classes will meet more frequently for shorter periods (56 minutes vs. 84 minutes). This new schedule will allow teachers to use class time more efficiently, and with the more frequent classes (classes will meet for three days in a row before dropping for one day) we avoid the gaps between lessons that exist in the current A/B block schedule. With the new schedule, students will continue to take eight classes at a time, and unit lunch will still occur daily for 42 minutes.

I am grateful to the members of the scheduling committee who worked hard over the last two years to make this change possible. I also would like to thank our Superintendent, Dr. Handerhan, our Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum and Instruction, Mrs. McCann, and the Wall Township Board of Education for their support in implementing this change. We look forward to sharing more information about this new schedule with our students and families, and we invite students, parents and guardians to a meeting on Tuesday, April 16th at 6:30 p.m. in the WHS Auditorium to present more detailed information about the rotating drop schedule. We will post the presentation to the WHS website on April 17th for all those who cannot attend the meeting.

We will also present information at the April 16th meeting about increased Dual Enrollment options for students during the 24-25 school year due to an agreement between Wall High School and Stockton University. Students will have the option to purchase and receive college credits without having to leave Wall High School during the school day. Wall High School teachers will teach a variety of courses that have been approved by Stockton University for college credit.

We are very excited about these changes in the 24-25 school year and we believe they will strengthen the academic program at Wall High School. We look forward to sharing more with you about these changes on April 16th.

Thank you,

Kevin Davis Principal, Wall High School