

Twin Valley Middle School One Schedule Proposal 2019-2020

Benefits to one schedule at the middle school include the following:

Student:

- Additional instructional time (30 minutes minimum) for 5/6 due to elimination of rolling arrival and dismissal
- A club/activity period could be added for things like Raider Pride, clubs, activities, assemblies, etc...
- All guidance counselors would be available to all students the entire length of the school day
- All instructional aides would be available for entire length of the school day for all grades
- 5/6 grade teachers would be available for after school activities. Would also be available to advise clubs.
- After school clubs could include students from 5-8 on the same schedule rather than separate 5/6 and 7/8 clubs
- 7/8 Athletes could start practice/games at end of school day (now wait for 5/6 to be done in the locker room and need coverage for 7/8 students)
- 7/8 Music clubs could start practice/meetings at end of school day(now wait for 5/6 to be done in the music areas and need coverage for 7/8 students)

Staff:

- All middle school teachers would be on the same schedule
- All office staff would be available the entire length of the school day and not on shifts
- Nurse would be available the entire student day (no need for sub nurse coverage in the AM)
- Entire staff could have the same extra hour (3x a month) instead of 3 different extra hours a week for professional development
- Entire staff could have 1/2 days of PM in-service in common (now staggered)
- Staff could have vertical (grades 5-8) curriculum meetings monthly
- Related arts staff could have cross-curricular meetings monthly (Science and Tech Ed)
- Shared MS/HS staff could be used more efficiently (Spanish/Music)
- More flexibility with teachers being able to cover absences during the school day. Coverage/instructional duty, use of substitutes would be more efficient and support students in a better way.

Parent/Community:

- Middle school parents/students would have one schedule to work within rather than two (transportation, childcare, etc)...