

# Twin Valley High School Program Review Survey

Introduction: As part of the review of our high school block schedule and academic offerings, students, parents and teachers are being asked to complete this short survey. Please take your time to read each question and the answer choices before choosing your response. You are also invited to join us for a Community Forum on the High School Block

| Section 1: Demographics (check all that apply)   | All  |       | HS Parent |       | Student |       | Teacher |       | Alumni |       |
|--|------|-------|-----------|-------|---------|-------|---------|-------|--------|-------|
| Total  | 1058 |       | 240       |       | 457     |       | 104     |       | 146    |       |
| 2. I have experience with teaching or learning in a block schedule (80-90 min. blocks) | #    | %     | #         | %     | #       | %     | #       | %     | #      | %     |
| No   | 268  | 25.3% | 145       | 60.4% | 15      | 3.3%  | 22      | 21.2% | 18     | 12.3% |
| Yes  | 788  | 74.5% | 95        | 39.6% | 442     | 96.7% | 82      | 78.8% | 128    | 87.7% |

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| 3. I have experience with teaching or learning in a traditional schedule (40-45 min. periods) |     |       |     |       |     |       |     |       |    |       |
| No  | 326 | 30.8% | 33  | 13.8% | 236 | 51.6% | 1   | 1.0%  | 47 | 32.2% |
| Yes   | 730 | 69.0% | 207 | 86.3% | 221 | 48.4% | 103 | 99.0% | 99 | 67.8% |

## Section 2: Block Schedule and Traditional Schedule:

For the purposes of the next set of questions, the definition of the block schedule is a 4 block day with an 80-84 minute block and semester long classes with 2 semesters per year. The definition of a traditional schedule is an 8 period day with a 42-45 minute periods and year-long classes.

|  | All |       | HS Parent |       | Student |       | Teacher |       | Alumni |       |
|--|-----|-------|-----------|-------|---------|-------|---------|-------|--------|-------|
| 4. Which of the following do you consider to be the benefits of the block schedule. (Check all that apply) |     |       |           |       |         |       |         |       |        |       |
| Extended Time  | 733 | 69.3% | 162       | 67.5% | 311     | 68.1% | 96      | 92.3% | 117    | 80.1% |
| Internships  | 320 | 30.2% | 57        | 23.8% | 152     | 33.3% | 44      | 42.3% | 51     | 34.9% |
| Only 4 Subjects  | 682 | 64.5% | 140       | 58.3% | 347     | 75.9% | 67      | 64.4% | 99     | 67.8% |
| Project and Classwork Completion   | 759 | 71.7% | 152       | 63.3% | 321     | 70.2% | 84      | 80.8% | 120    | 82.2% |
| Relationships  | 356 | 33.6% | 68        | 28.3% | 139     | 30.4% | 65      | 62.5% | 59     | 40.4% |
| Blanks   | 34  | 3.2%  | 13        | 5.4%  | 8       | 1.8%  | 3       | 2.9%  | 3      | 2.1%  |

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| 5. Which of the following do you consider to be the difficulties with the block schedule? Check all that apply |     |       |     |       |     |       |    |       |    |       |
| Difficult to pay attention   | 570 | 53.9% | 109 | 45.4% | 257 | 56.2% | 41 | 39.4% | 81 | 55.5% |
| Not Enough Breaks  | 438 | 41.4% | 65  | 27.1% | 240 | 52.5% | 30 | 28.8% | 45 | 30.8% |
| Too long with same students  | 244 | 23.1% | 66  | 27.5% | 96  | 21.0% | 23 | 22.1% | 24 | 16.4% |
| Too much down time   | 211 | 19.9% | 82  | 34.2% | 50  | 10.9% | 17 | 16.3% | 26 | 17.8% |
| Blanks   | 288 | 27.2% | 59  | 24.6% | 90  | 19.7% | 40 | 38.5% | 32 | 21.9% |

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| 6. Which of the following do you consider to be benefits to a semester system? (2 semesters per year) Check all that apply. |     |       |     |       |     |       |    |       |     |       |
| Balancing High Level Classes  | 659 | 62.3% | 143 | 59.6% | 292 | 63.9% | 72 | 69.2% | 106 | 72.6% |
| Doubling Up   | 474 | 44.8% | 89  | 37.1% | 267 | 58.4% | 48 | 46.2% | 58  | 39.7% |
| Fresh Start Mid-Year  | 740 | 69.9% | 151 | 62.9% | 362 | 79.2% | 79 | 76.0% | 100 | 68.5% |
| Preparing for College   | 573 | 54.2% | 121 | 50.4% | 189 | 41.4% | 63 | 60.6% | 103 | 70.5% |
| Re-take keystones   | 145 | 13.7% | 23  | 9.6%  | 69  | 15.1% | 35 | 33.7% | 11  | 7.5%  |
| Blanks  | 43  | 4.1%  | 10  | 4.2%  | 11  | 2.4%  | 4  | 3.8%  | 5   | 3.4%  |

|   | All |       | HS Parent |       | Student |       | Teacher |       | Alumni |       |
|---|-----|-------|-----------|-------|---------|-------|---------|-------|--------|-------|
| 7. Which of the following do you consider to be difficulties with the semester system? (2 semesters per year) Check all that apply. |     |       |           |       |         |       |         |       |        |       |
| Classroom Community   | 132 | 12.5% | 24        | 10.0% | 70      | 15.3% | 10      | 9.6%  | 10     | 6.8%  |
| Learning Foreign Language   | 416 | 39.3% | 88        | 36.7% | 194     | 42.5% | 30      | 28.8% | 69     | 47.3% |
| Learning Math   | 378 | 35.7% | 112       | 46.7% | 132     | 28.9% | 42      | 40.4% | 40     | 27.4% |
| Music Performance Groups  | 229 | 21.6% | 48        | 20.0% | 91      | 19.9% | 34      | 32.7% | 41     | 28.1% |
| Starting New Classes Mid-Year   | 213 | 20.1% | 45        | 18.8% | 106     | 23.2% | 15      | 14.4% | 14     | 9.6%  |
| Blanks  | 261 | 24.7% | 56        | 23.3% | 107     | 23.4% | 30      | 28.8% | 37     | 25.3% |

Section 3: Advanced Offerings-

Currently the TVHS offers 20 Honors courses across the English, Social Studies, Math, Science, Project Lead the Way and World Languages departments. Additionally there are 15 AP courses offered including 2 English, 3 Math, 3 Science, 3 Social Studies, 1 Art, 1 Music and 2 World Language AP courses.

|   | All |       | HS Parent |       | Student |       | Teacher |       | Alumni |       |
|---|-----|-------|-----------|-------|---------|-------|---------|-------|--------|-------|
| 8. Do you feel students have access to an appropriate number of honors courses? |     |       |           |       |         |       |         |       |        | 0.0%  |
| No  | 176 | 16.6% | 47        | 19.6% | 87      | 19.0% | 19      | 18.3% | 14     | 9.6%  |
| Yes   | 880 | 83.2% | 193       | 80.4% | 370     | 81.0% | 85      | 81.7% | 132    | 90.4% |

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| 9. Do you feel students have access to an appropriate number of AP Courses? |     |       |     |       |     |       |    |       |     |       |
| No  | 130 | 12.3% | 21  | 8.8%  | 51  | 11.2% | 8  | 7.7%  | 20  | 13.7% |
| Yes   | 926 | 87.5% | 219 | 91.3% | 406 | 88.8% | 96 | 92.3% | 126 | 86.3% |

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|---|-----|-------|----|-------|-----|-------|----|-------|----|-------|
| 10. What additional honors or AP Courses should be offered at TVHS? |     |       |    |       |     |       |    |       |    |       |
| Computer Science  | 375 | 35.4% | 97 | 40.4% | 105 | 23.0% | 37 | 35.6% | 61 | 41.8% |
| Environmental Science   | 286 | 27.0% | 53 | 22.1% | 113 | 24.7% | 26 | 25.0% | 55 | 37.7% |
| Additional Physics  | 339 | 32.0% | 63 | 26.3% | 113 | 24.7% | 37 | 35.6% | 74 | 50.7% |
| World History   | 349 | 33.0% | 58 | 24.2% | 156 | 34.1% | 28 | 26.9% | 73 | 50.0% |
| None of the above   | 155 | 14.7% | 31 | 12.9% | 96  | 21.0% | 15 | 14.4% | 10 | 6.8%  |
| Blanks  | 144 | 13.6% | 50 | 20.8% | 45  | 9.8%  | 24 | 23.1% | 11 | 7.5%  |

Section 4: This next section is for students only.

|   | All |       | HS Parent |       | Student |       | Teacher |       | Alumni |       |
|---|-----|-------|-----------|-------|---------|-------|---------|-------|--------|-------|
| 11. Would you have an interest in attending classes at a local college during your senior year for both high school and college credit? |     |       |           |       |         |       |         |       |        |       |
| No  | 182 | 17.2% | 15        | 6.3%  | 152     | 33.3% | 4       | 3.8%  | 5      | 3.4%  |
| Yes   | 403 | 38.1% | 52        | 21.7% | 297     | 65.0% | 9       | 8.7%  | 30     | 20.5% |
| Blanks  | 471 | 44.5% | 173       | 72.1% | 8       | 1.8%  | 91      | 87.5% | 111    | 76.0% |

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|--|-----|-------|-----|-------|-----|-------|----|-------|-----|-------|
| 12. Do you have an interest in participating in an internship experience in your junior/senior year? |     |       |     |       |     |       |    |       |     |       |
| No   | 139 | 13.1% | 10  | 4.2%  | 116 | 25.4% | 3  | 2.9%  | 4   | 2.7%  |
| Yes  | 444 | 42.0% | 54  | 22.5% | 335 | 73.3% | 10 | 9.6%  | 30  | 20.5% |
| Blanks   | 473 | 44.7% | 176 | 73.3% | 6   | 1.3%  | 91 | 87.5% | 112 | 76.7% |

|  | All |       | HS Parent |       | Student |       | Teacher |       | Alumni |       |
|--|-----|-------|-----------|-------|---------|-------|---------|-------|--------|-------|
| 13. Do you have an interest in taking an online Twin Valley High School course for credit? |     |       |           |       |         |       |         |       |        |       |
| No   | 348 | 32.9% | 32        | 13.3% | 275     | 60.2% | 9       | 8.7%  | 25     | 17.1% |
| Yes  | 224 | 21.2% | 30        | 12.5% | 168     | 36.8% | 6       | 5.8%  | 8      | 5.5%  |
| Blank  | 484 | 45.7% | 178       | 74.2% | 14      | 3.1%  | 89      | 85.6% | 113    | 77.4% |

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| 14. Which of the following do you typically do during the flex period? Check all that apply |     |       |     |       |     |       |    |       |     |       |
| Enrichment  | 78  | 7.4%  | 10  | 4.2%  | 56  | 12.3% | 6  | 5.8%  | 5   | 3.4%  |
| Homework  | 395 | 37.3% | 37  | 15.4% | 318 | 69.6% | 7  | 6.7%  | 26  | 17.8% |
| New Learning  | 75  | 7.1%  | 5   | 2.1%  | 63  | 13.8% | 0  | 0.0%  | 4   | 2.7%  |
| Practice Skills   | 160 | 15.1% | 6   | 2.5%  | 141 | 30.9% | 4  | 3.8%  | 10  | 6.8%  |
| Project Completion  | 305 | 28.8% | 25  | 10.4% | 247 | 54.0% | 8  | 7.7%  | 22  | 15.1% |
| Review Concepts   | 211 | 19.9% | 11  | 4.6%  | 180 | 39.4% | 5  | 4.8%  | 13  | 8.9%  |
| Studying  | 312 | 29.5% | 25  | 10.4% | 258 | 56.5% | 5  | 4.8%  | 18  | 12.3% |
| Custom  | 137 | 12.9% |     |       |     |       |    |       |     |       |
| Blanks  | 508 | 48.0% | 187 | 77.9% | 24  | 5.3%  | 94 | 90.4% | 111 | 76.0% |

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| 15. What would interest you to do during flex period if offered? Check all that apply |     |       |     |       |     |       |    |       |     |       |
| Clubs   | 273 | 25.8% | 30  | 12.5% | 213 | 46.6% | 6  | 5.8%  | 20  | 13.7% |
| Activities  | 275 | 26.0% | 118 | 49.2% | 230 | 50.3% | 3  | 2.9%  | 15  | 10.3% |
| Subject Area Tutoring   | 178 | 16.8% | 33  | 13.8% | 122 | 26.7% | 5  | 4.8%  | 18  | 12.3% |
| Drop-in time  | 135 | 12.8% | 14  | 5.8%  | 109 | 23.9% | 3  | 2.9%  | 8   | 5.5%  |
| Study Hall  | 349 | 33.0% | 28  | 11.7% | 291 | 63.7% | 5  | 4.8%  | 23  | 15.8% |
| Computer lab  | 163 | 15.4% | 22  | 9.2%  | 123 | 26.9% | 1  | 1.0%  | 10  | 6.8%  |
| Library   | 179 | 16.9% | 9   | 3.8%  | 154 | 33.7% | 0  | 0.0%  | 12  | 8.2%  |
| Fitness Center  | 253 | 23.9% | 30  | 12.5% | 194 | 42.5% | 5  | 4.8%  | 24  | 16.4% |
| Music Lessons   | 130 | 12.3% | 19  | 7.9%  | 98  | 21.4% | 4  | 3.8%  | 8   | 5.5%  |
| Chorus Sectionals   | 85  | 8.0%  | 5   | 2.1%  | 69  | 15.1% | 2  | 1.9%  | 5   | 3.4%  |
| Blank   | 502 | 47.4% | 183 | 76.3% | 18  | 3.9%  | 94 | 90.4% | 111 | 76.0% |

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| Section 5: Technology-The questions in the next section are related to technology. | All |  | HS Parent |  | Student |  | Teacher |  | Alumni |  |
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| 16. Do you have internet access and a computer at home? |     |       |     |       |     |       |    |       |    |       |
| No  | 26  | 2.5%  | 4   | 1.7%  | 20  | 4.4%  | 3  | 2.9%  | 0  | 0.0%  |
| Yes   | 809 | 76.5% | 168 | 70.0% | 431 | 94.3% | 56 | 53.8% | 83 | 56.8% |
| Blank   | 221 | 20.9% | 68  | 28.3% | 6   | 1.3%  | 45 | 43.3% | 63 | 43.2% |

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| 17. Do you have your own mobile device that you could bring to school to use for class? |     |       |     |       |     |       |    |       |    |       |
| No  | 78  | 7.4%  | 17  | 7.1%  | 32  | 7.0%  | 7  | 6.7%  | 3  | 2.1%  |
| Yes   | 698 | 66.0% | 125 | 52.1% | 412 | 90.2% | 44 | 42.3% | 71 | 48.6% |
| Blank   | 280 | 26.5% | 98  | 40.8% | 9   | 2.0%  | 53 | 51.0% | 72 | 49.3% |

|  | All |       | HS Parent |       | Student |       | Teacher |       | Alumni |       |
|--|-----|-------|-----------|-------|---------|-------|---------|-------|--------|-------|
| 18. How would you like to use your teacher's webpages? Check all that apply. |     |       |           |       |         |       |         |       |        |       |
| Blog   | 10  | 0.9%  | 26        | 10.8% | 45      | 9.8%  | 4       | 3.8%  | 17     | 11.6% |
| Collaborate  | 184 | 17.4% | 54        | 22.5% | 75      | 16.4% | 10      | 9.6%  | 16     | 11.0% |
| Homework assignments   | 580 | 54.8% | 114       | 47.5% | 335     | 73.3% | 32      | 30.8% | 57     | 39.0% |
| Links to resources   | 424 | 40.1% | 83        | 34.6% | 244     | 53.4% | 18      | 17.3% | 36     | 24.7% |
| Study Guides and notes   | 585 | 55.3% | 114       | 47.5% | 337     | 73.7% | 31      | 29.8% | 58     | 39.7% |
| Submit assignments   | 366 | 34.6% | 92        | 38.3% | 182     | 39.8% | 17      | 16.3% | 42     | 28.8% |
| Videos of lessons  | 370 | 35.0% | 78        | 32.5% | 210     | 46.0% | 15      | 14.4% | 31     | 21.2% |
| Blank  | 357 | 33.7% | 118       | 49.2% | 32      | 7.0%  | 67      | 64.4% | 80     | 54.8% |

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| For "recent" TVSD Alumni only: | All |  | HS Parent |  | Student |  | Teacher |  | Alumni |  |
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| Did TVSD prepare you for college or the career you pursued following graduation |     |       |     |       |     |       |    |       |    |       |
| No  | 80  | 7.6%  | 11  | 4.6%  | 38  | 8.3%  | 1  | 1.0%  | 29 | 19.9% |
| Yes   | 162 | 15.3% | 10  | 4.2%  | 52  | 11.4% | 6  | 5.8%  | 98 | 67.1% |
| Blank   | 814 | 76.9% | 219 | 91.3% | 367 | 80.3% | 97 | 93.3% | 19 | 13.0% |

|  |     |       |     |       |     |       |    |       |     |       |
|--|-----|-------|-----|-------|-----|-------|----|-------|-----|-------|
| Do you believe the block schedule enhanced or hindered your college or career readiness? |     |       |     |       |     |       |    |       |     |       |
| Enhanced   | 171 | 16.2% | 6   | 2.5%  | 57  | 12.5% | 5  | 4.8%  | 106 | 72.6% |
| Hindered   | 53  | 5.0%  | 8   | 3.3%  | 27  | 5.9%  | 0  | 0.0%  | 15  | 10.3% |
| Blank  | 832 | 78.6% | 226 | 94.2% | 373 | 81.6% | 99 | 95.2% | 25  | 17.1% |