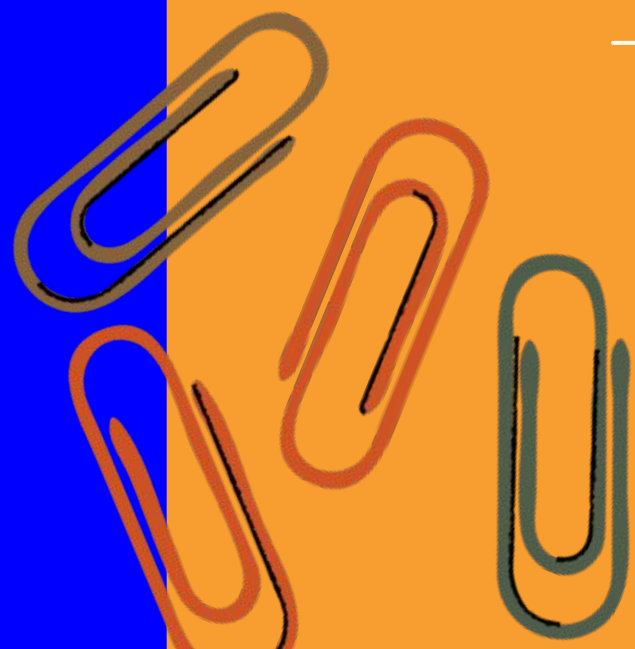


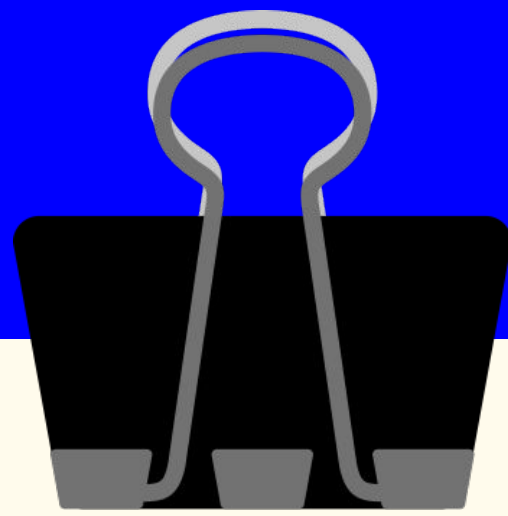


Mountain Lakes High School

ROTATING BLOCK SCHEDULE

2021-22 School Year

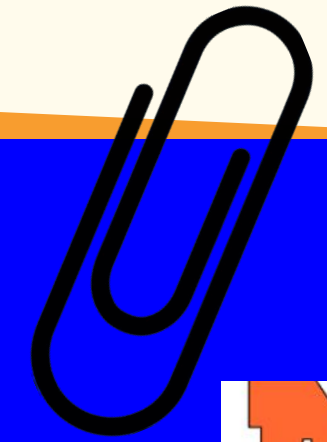




**Recognizing the
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Tonight's Presentation



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Rotating Block Schedule Overview

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Rotating Block Benefits

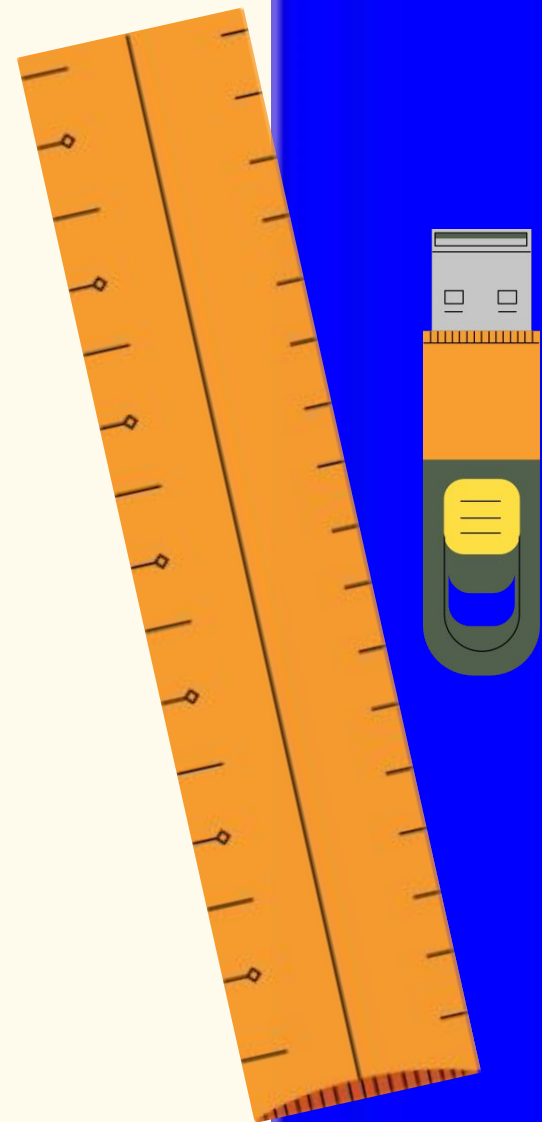
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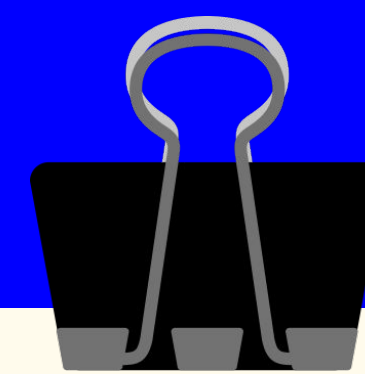
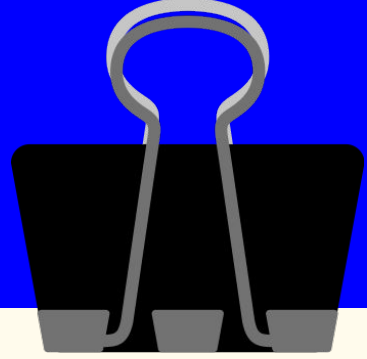
Rotating Block at Mountain Lakes High School

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Supporting the Transition for Students

ROTATING BLOCK OVERVIEW





Breaking down the terminology



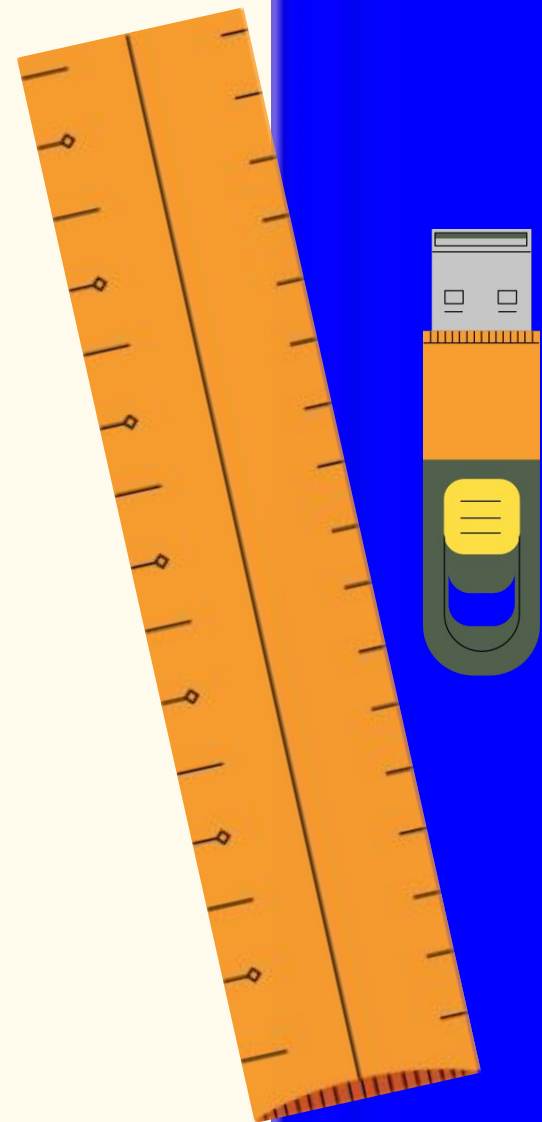
- **Class Periods:** There are 8 possible class periods with a schoolwide unit lunch. Periods #1-4 are scheduled before lunch (AM). Periods #5-8 are scheduled after lunch (PM).
- **Unit Lunch:** All students will eat lunch at the same time every day. Designated areas include both indoor and outdoor settings (e.g., cafeteria, main gymnasium, auxiliary gymnasium, school courtyards and tents.)
- **Blocks:** Students meet 6 out of the 8 class periods on a given school day. This is referred to as the six "blocks." (Blocks I-III meet in the AM. Blocks IV-VI meet in the PM). Each block will meet for a duration of 54 minutes, as well as a 54-minute unit lunch.
- **Rotation:** Blocks I-III will rotate through periods #1-4. Blocks IV-VI will rotate through periods #5-8. These rotations will take place over a four day cycle (i.e., Day 1,2,3,4.). Class periods will meet at different times during the four day cycle. All class periods meet 3 times every 4 days.
- **Science Labs:** The lab period will occur one time during the four day rotation. Science labs meet during a portion of the unit lunch when the science class either precedes or follows the unit lunch. Students will no longer miss their Physical Education class to meet for their science labs.

SAMPLE BELL SCHEDULE



| Block | Start Time | Duration (in minutes) | End Time | Day 1 | Day 2 | Day 3 | Day 4 |
|-----------|------------|-----------------------|----------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| ZERO | 7:15 AM | 40 | 7:55 AM | Zero Period | Zero Period | Zero Period | Zero Period |
| Block I | 8:00 AM | 54 | 8:54 AM | Period 1 | Period 2 | Period 3 | Period 4 |
| Block II | 8:57 AM | 54 | 9:51 AM | Period 2 | Period 3 | Period 4 | Period 1 |
| Block III | 9:54 AM | 54 | 10:48 AM | Period 3 | Period 4 | Period 1 | Period 2 |
| LUNCH | 10:51 AM | 54 | 11:45 AM | LUNCH | LUNCH | LUNCH | LUNCH |
| Block IV | 11:48 AM | 54 | 12:42 PM | Period 5 | Period 6 | Period 7 | Period 8 |
| Block V | 12:45 PM | 54 | 1:39 PM | Period 6 | Period 7 | Period 8 | Period 5 |
| Block VI | 1:42 PM | 54 | 2:36 PM | Period 7 | Period 8 | Period 5 | Period 6 |

ROTATING BLOCK BENEFITS





The Benefits



- Longer class periods allow for greater depth of instruction (54 minutes vs. 42 minute class periods).
- Classes meet at different times during the day, which assists student focus and approach to the day.
- Students focus on six classes per day rather than nine.
- Fewer passing times (the time students are in the hallway getting to and from class).
- Additional teacher preparation time is afforded in order to plan student-centered lessons.

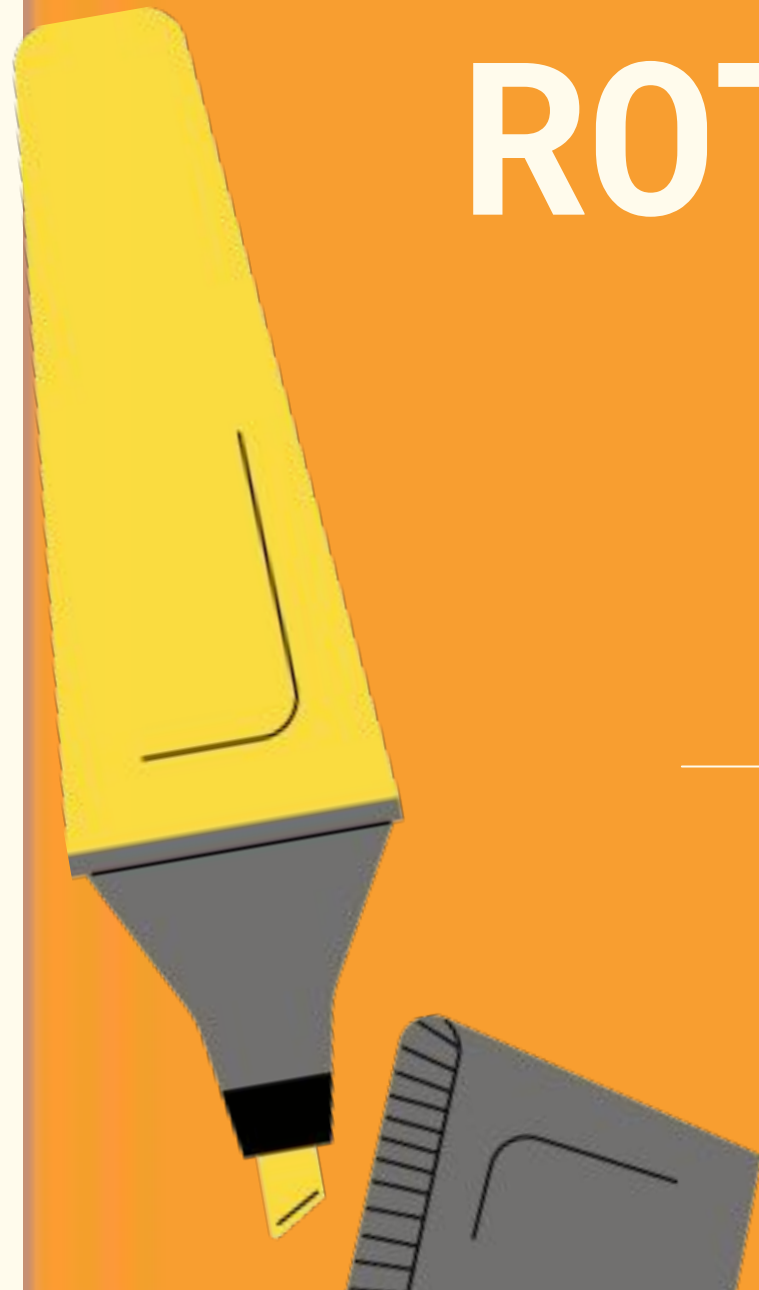


Unit Lunch



- Extra help opportunities for students.
- Increased club participation.
- Schedule meetings/appointments (e.g., guidance)
- Students able to eat with their friends.
- Senior privilege - Permitted to leave for lunch.

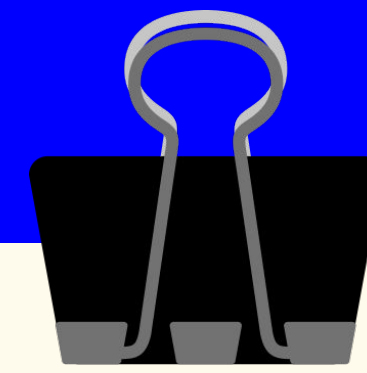
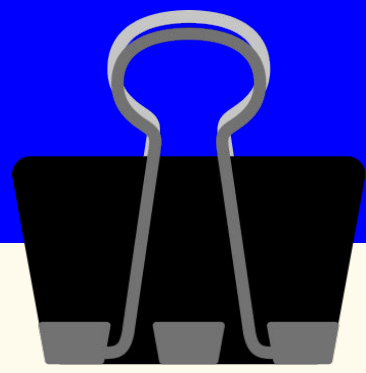
ROTATING BLOCK AT MLHS



MLHS BELL SCHEDULE



| Block | Start Time | Duration (in minutes) | End Time | Day 1 | Day 2 | Day 3 | Day 4 |
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| Block IV | 11:48 AM | 54 | 12:42 PM | Period 5 | Period 6 | Period 7 | Period 8 |
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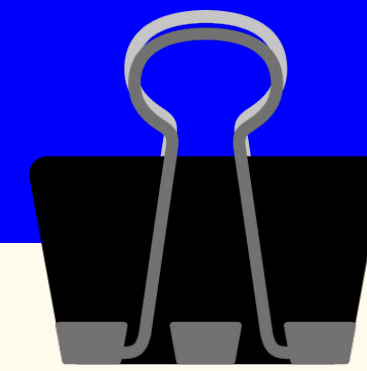
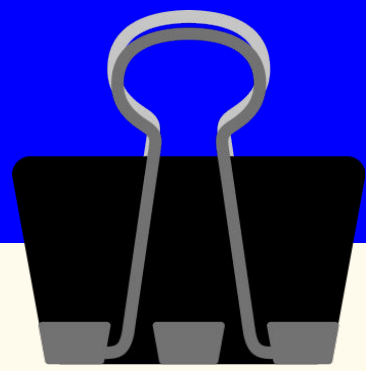


Other Bell Schedules



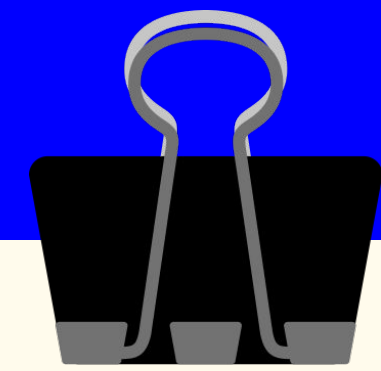
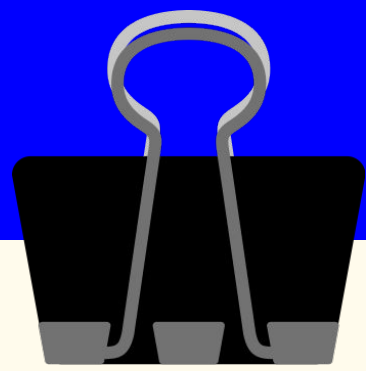
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| FULL DAY ALL CLASSES SCHEDULE | | | |
| Block | Start | Duration | End |
| Zero Period | 7:15 AM | 40 | 7:55 AM |
| Warning Bell | | | 7:55 AM |
| Period 1 | 8:00 AM | 40 | 8:40 AM |
| Period 2 | 8:43 AM | 40 | 9:23 AM |
| Period 3 | 9:26 AM | 40 | 10:06 AM |
| Period 4 | 10:09 AM | 40 | 10:49 AM |
| Lunch | 10:52 AM | 52 | 11:44 AM |
| Period 5 | 11:47 AM | 40 | 12:27 PM |
| Period 6 | 12:30 PM | 40 | 1:10 PM |
| Period 7 | 1:13 PM | 40 | 1:53 PM |
| Period 8 | 1:56 PM | 40 | 2:36 PM |

| MOUNTAIN LAKES HIGH SCHOOL | | | |
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| EARLY DISMISSAL SCHEDULE | | | |
| Block | Start | Duration | End |
| Zero Period | 7:15 AM | 40 | 7:55 AM |
| Warning Bell | | | 7:55 AM |
| Period 1 | 8:00 AM | 31 | 8:31 AM |
| Period 2 | 8:34 AM | 31 | 9:05 AM |
| Period 3 | 9:08 AM | 31 | 9:39 AM |
| Period 4 | 9:42 AM | 31 | 10:13 AM |
| Period 5 | 10:16 AM | 31 | 10:47 AM |
| Period 6 | 10:50 AM | 31 | 11:21 AM |
| Period 7 | 11:24 AM | 31 | 11:55 AM |
| Period 8 | 11:58 AM | 31 | 12:29 PM |



Other Bell Schedules (cont' d)

| MOUNTAIN LAKES HIGH SCHOOL | | | |
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| DELAYED OPENING SCHEDULE | | | |
| Block | Start | Duration | End |
| No Zero Period | | | |
| Warning Bell | | | 7:55 AM |
| Period 1 | 10:00 AM | 28 | 10:28 AM |
| Period 2 | 10:31 AM | 28 | 10:59 AM |
| Period 3 | 11:02 AM | 28 | 11:30 AM |
| Period 4 | 11:33 AM | 28 | 12:01 PM |
| Lunch | 12:04 PM | 28 | 12:32 PM |
| Period 5 | 12:35 PM | 28 | 1:03 PM |
| Period 6 | 1:06 PM | 28 | 1:34 PM |
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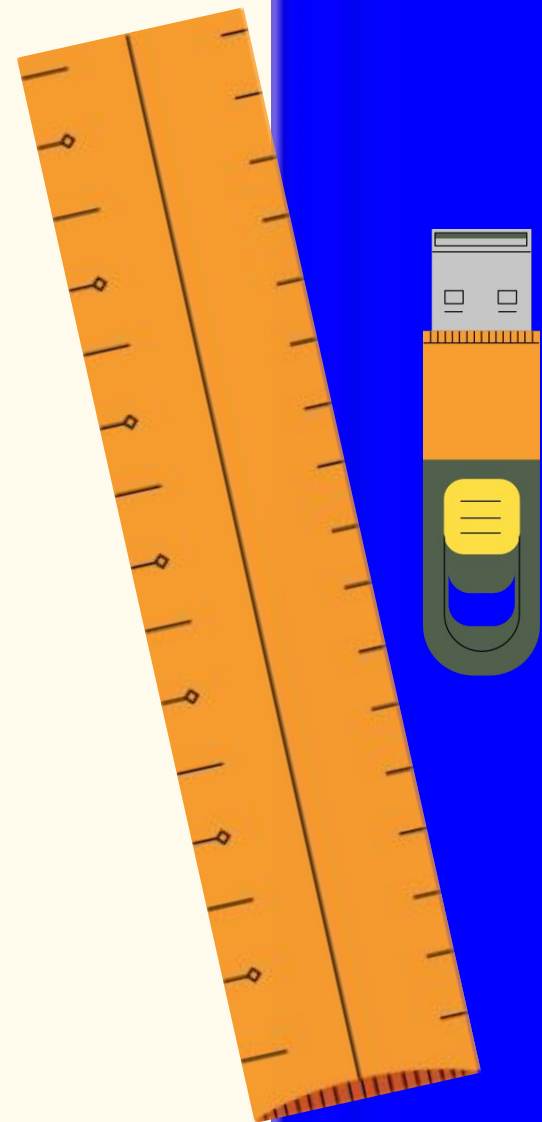
Yearly Rotating Block Calendar



- The entire school year calendar is set at the start (no changes for weather).
- Helps to support long-range planning and equitable number of times each class period meets.

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| ROTATING BLOCK CALENDAR | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | M | T | W | T | F | M | T | W | T | F | M | T | W | T | F | M | T | W | T | F | M | T | W | T | F | |
| September 2021 | | | 1 | 2 | 3 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 | | |
| | | | IS | IS | X | X | X | X | AC | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | X | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 1 | 2 | | |
| September 1 & 2 - Staff In-Service (School Closed) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| September 6 - Labor Day (School Closed) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| September 7 & 8 - Rosh Hashana (School Closed) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| September 9 - First Day for Students (Full Day/All Classes) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| September 16 - Yom Kippur (School Closed) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

SUPPORTING STUDENTS DURING THIS TRANSITION





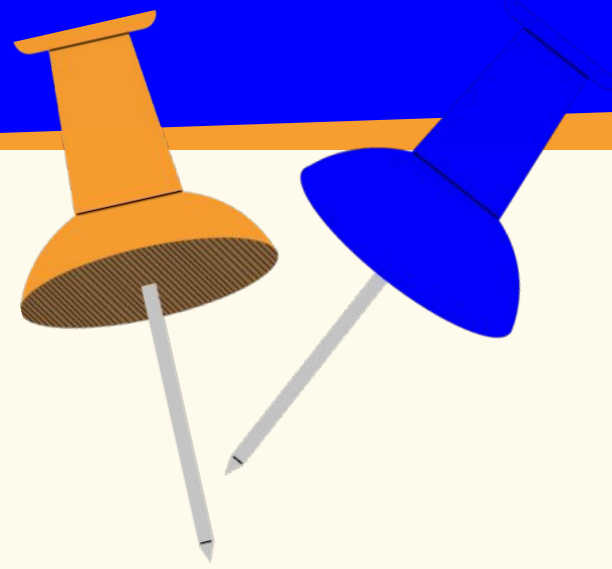
Student Support



- Review of the rotating schedule during freshman orientation scheduled for August 26th.
- MLHS teachers will be reviewing the rotating schedule with their students on a daily basis.
- Daily announcements will be made indicating the “Day” along with the rotation.
- We will be providing signs of the daily schedule throughout the high school along with daily email reminders.

• [Schedule Template](#)

• [Completed Template](#)



Questions

Thank you!