



OTHS Schedule Redesign Proposal

Revamping Student
Learning Experience





Planning and Stakeholder Engagement

- October 2022: Administration and supervisors begin schedule review
- May 2023: Full staff survey regarding strengths and challenges of current schedule
- June 2023: Staff Scheduling Think Tank (departmental level feedback)
- September 2023: Scheduling committee convened as PLC, met throughout the year
- November 2023–January 2024: District visits
- January 2024: Presentation to full staff; Staff survey
- April 2024: Second staff survey; Unit lunch conversations with CO
- August 2024: Parent committee formed/feedback from committee
- October 2024: Full faculty meeting and town halls/Student Council Meeting/feedback from SC; walkthrough with Sodexo for Unit Lunch needs
- November 2024: Separate meetings with full student body and with families as well as open forum in cafeteria during lunches



Strengths of Current Block

**Increasing
opportunities for
exploration**

**Increased
instructional
time**

**Expand period to
allow for more in
depth lessons**

**Senior options for
early release,
internships,
networking**



Current Schedule Challenges

**Continuity
of
instruction**

**Testing
equity**

**Classes are
too long**

**Marking
periods are
too short**

**Matching
classes for
APs**





Proposed Schedule

- Rotate and Drop
- AM/PM sessions
- 6 classes per day, one dropped a.m./one dropped p.m. (accommodates vocational schedule)
- Regular 4-day cycle, every class meets 3 days out of 4
- Provides all “must-haves”

Session	A	B	C	D
7:25–8:21	1	4	3	2
8:25–9:21	2	1	4	3
9:25–10:21	3	2	1	4
10:25–10:55 UNIT LUNCH				
10:59–11:55	5	8	7	6
11:59–12:55	6	5	8	7
12:59–1:55	7	6	5	8



Unit Lunch

- Multiple locations (cafeteria, gym, library, outdoor areas, limited classrooms)
- All students eat together; most staff eats at that time as well
- Possibilities



Bridging Strengths and Solutions

✓
Increasing
opportunities for
exploration

✓ +
Expand period to
allow for more in
depth lessons

✓
Increased
instructional
time

✓
Senior options for
early release,
internships,
networking

✓
Shorter
block

✓
Reduced gap
between
classes

✓
Instruction
spread over a
longer period
of time

✓
Smaller
number of
AP conflicts

✓
Testing
equity

✓
Unit Lunch



Other Benefits and Considerations

- Each day starts and ends differently
- Common lunch allows all to have lunch with friends
- Engage with material over a longer period of time
- Increased attention
- Trips/athletic competitions/etc. have less of an impact on a single class

- Student and teacher responsibility for more classes at one time
- Homework
- Class assessments
- Remembering the schedule/time management
- ????

Staff Professional Development

In addition to Faculty Meetings, Department Meetings,
February In-Service, PLCs and other collaborative time:

February 28, 2025

March 19, 2025

April 10, 2025

May 1, 2025



*Thank
you!*

Change is the end result of all true learning. --Leo Buscaglia