



Block Scheduling



Beginning with the 2017-2018 school year, the school district converts from a hybrid schedule with seven segments to a 4x4 block schedule at the high school level. Each block course will consist of four 90-minute courses per semester and a student takes 8 courses in one school year.

Subjects are paired together:

***English and Science** are paired

***Math and Social Studies** are paired

During the fall semester (Semester 1) one-half of the students at each district high school will take English and Science courses while the other half (Semester 2) of the students will take Math and Social Studies courses. In addition, students will not skip more than one semester in a content area. For example, a Semester 1 World Language student would take the next World Language course not later than Semester 1 of the following school year.

In addition to the two academic (core courses), students will take two additional courses. Note how 1 and 2 below denote core academic courses and 3 and 4 denote non-academic core courses.

Here is a sample of a student's schedule using the 4x4 block framework:

SEMESTER 1		SEMESTER 2	
1	• English	1	• Math
2	• Science	2	• Social Studies
3	• CTAE, Fine Arts, World Language Pathway Course(s)	3	• CTAE, Fine Arts, World Language Pathway Course(s)
4	• Health/Personal Fitness (9) • Another course from CTAE, Fine Arts or World Language • Elective (Academic and/or true Elective)	4	• Health/Personal Fitness (9) • Another course from CTAE, Fine Arts or World Language • Elective (Academic and/or true Elective)

For both the student and parent, it is important to remember that the student has 8 classes/courses each year and the total at the top of each column of the Plan is 8. **Please remember that having too few courses or too many courses will have a negative impact on the processing of the student's course requests, schedule of courses and academic plan (IGP).**

*Please note that a Dual Enrollment Move On When Ready student may have courses in a different pairing. The DE MOWR counselor specialist approves all MOWR courses.