



HYBRID CLASS SCHEDULE

DSISD Middle School Implementation

For the 2026-2027 school year, DSISD is adjusting its middle school schedule from a full block schedule to a combination block and traditional schedule, known as a Hybrid Class Schedule. This new schedule will provide important benefits for middle school learners, as they transition from elementary to high school.

Why a Hybrid Schedule in Middle School?

Class Period Length

- The combination of longer and shorter class periods creates a better balance for attention and deeper learning
- Consistently long periods (85 minutes) can be challenging for some students



Regular Teacher Contact

- More days each week when students have class time access to their teachers (4 days)
- Better supports subject areas that require daily practice, such as math and language arts



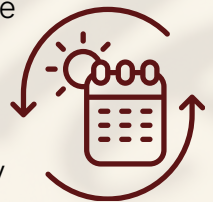
Holidays & Missed Classed Time

- Holidays affect classes more evenly throughout the year
- Reduces impact in what students miss when they are absent or leave early



Student Routine

- Establishes a consistent routine for students with a traditional schedule every Monday, Tuesday and Friday, and a block schedule on Wednesday and Thursday



Electives

- Maintains the number of electives available in a student's schedule
- Athletic and 6th grade band scheduling remains unchanged



Pros for Teachers

- Allows teacher flexibility for lesson planning and supports differentiated instruction
- Supports newer teachers as they transition into teaching for an 85-minute period length
- Maintains allotted teacher and conference planning time

