

Harry Bailey
Middle School

Bailey Block Schedule 2015-16

Opening Facts-Bailey

- Total Enrollment: 848 students
 - Grade 7 - 418
 - Grade 8 - 430

Why the Change?

- ❑ Increase instructional time
- ❑ Fewer transitions
- ❑ Equity and access of resources
- ❑ Better utilization of space and time
- ❑ Increased connectedness staff and students

Timeline for Bringing the Block to Bailey

- Collaboration with all stakeholders
- Equity of voice (teachers, administrators, electives)
- Presentation to Bailey Staff
- Ongoing PD to support implementation
- Scheduling began in Spring 2015

Student Block Schedule

(HR-7:45-7:57)
7:45-9:22

Period 1

9:26-10:51

Period 2

LUNCH
Waves

Lunch A 7th	10:55-11:17
Lunch B 8th	11:24-11:44
Lunch C 8th	11:50-12:10
Lunch D 7th	12:24-12:46

11:21-12:46

Period 3

12:50-2:15

Period 4

Teacher Schedule

	Block A/C	Block B/D
Period 1 (HR-7:45-7:57) 7:45-9:22	Science 1	Science 4
Period 2 9:26-10:51	Science 2	Science 5
LUNCH A 10:55-11:17	Lunch	Lunch
Period 3 11:21-12:46	Collab/Prep	Collab/Prep
Period 4 12:50-2:15	Science 3	Science 6

POST LUNCH Prep/collab: 56 minutes

Professional Development Plan

- Embedded PD with ACES
- Special Population staff integrated into content area PD
- Ongoing support by coordinators to building staff

Teacher Comments

“I love the ELA block!

It not only allows me to get through more material, but it also allows me to discuss material in an in depth manner.

There is more time for critical thinking activities and real-world applications. In addition, my students have shared with me numerous times that SSR time is one of their favorite parts of the day.”

- Caitlin Pinto, ELA Teacher

Teacher Comments

“I think the best part about the block schedule is that I'm able to go into depth with my lessons and find/implement a lot of great activities (stations, group work) to supplement those lessons.

One of my challenges last year was with smooth transitions between activities, but now that the 8th graders are used to the block schedule, the transitions have been much better! I really do value the block!”

- Allison Baker, ELA teacher

Teacher Comments

"The new block schedule is about me as the teacher. It's all about preparation. If I prepare myself the way I should, the students will do just fine."

-Greg Heudorfer, Science Teacher