



Middle School Schedule Update

2023-2024

Platte County R-3 School District

February 16, 2023

Staff Feedback



- Equal offerings and learning opportunities for both Platte Purchase and Platte City Middle Schools
- Grade level collaboration to better serve students
- Expand opportunities for intervention and enrichment
- Smaller “teams” or communities to provide support to students
- Opportunities for methodical collaboration with Improvement Teams



Focused Schedule Components

Schedule Must-Haves	Current Schedule	23-24 Schedule
Equal learning experiences for students at PCMS, PPMS		✓
Master schedules aligned for collaboration between PCMS, PPMS		✓
Advisory period every day		✓
6th grade student exposure to all exploratory classes	✓	✓
Intervention and enrichment opportunities		✓
Improvement Team and grade level collaboration time during the day	✓	✓
Aligned middle school teaming (6A, 6B, etc.)		✓
Longer instructional periods for all classes (not just ELA, math)		✓
Flexibility in the schedule		✓



What We Know About Middle Schoolers



Age Appropriate Student Supports	Effective Systems & Structures	Effective Instructional Practices
<p>Equitable learning experiences for all middle school students</p> <p>6th grade students can have exposure to all exploratory classes</p>	<p>Alignment of master schedules to allow collaboration between the two schools</p> <p>Schedule flexibility</p> <p>Staffing efficiency for programs that need to share positions</p>	<p>Longer instructional periods for all classes (not just ELA and math)</p> <p>Improvement Team and grade level collaboration time during the day</p>



2023-2024 Proposed Schedule



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Advisory (740-8)	Advisory (740-8)	Advisory (740-820)	Advisory (740-820)	Advisory (740-8)
1 (803-854) 51 mins	1 (803-854) 51 mins	1 (823-951) 88 mins	2 (823-951) 88 mins	1 (803-854) 51 mins
2 (857-948)	2 (857-948)			2 (857-948)
3 (951-1042)	3 (951-1042)	3 (954-1122)	4 (954-1122)	3 (951-1042)
4 (1045-1138)	4 (1045-1138)			4 (1045-1138)
C Lunch (1140-1201)	C Lunch (1140-1201)	C Lunch (1122-1145)	C Lunch (1122-1145)	C Lunch (1140-1201)
5 (1204-1257)	5 (1204-1257)	5 (1148-116)	6 (1148-116)	5 (1204-1257)
6 (100-151)	6 (100-151)			6 (100-151)
7 (154-245)	7 (154-245)	7 (119-247)	8 Period Flex/ Exploratory Collab (119-247)	7 (154-245)
Dismissal (247-250)	Dismissal (247-250)	Dismissal (247-250)	Dismissal (247-250)	Dismissal (247-250)



What Is Different?



Smaller Learning Communities	Grade Level Meetings During the Week	Collaboration Between Schools
Modified Block Schedule	8th Flex Block	Exploratory for 6th Grade



Timeline & Next Steps



Oct. / Nov.	December	January	February	April
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Visited area middle schools• Drafted beliefs, reviewed staff feedback• Drafted schedule	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Presented and gathered initial feedback from Leadership Teams	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Looped back to Leadership Teams based on initial feedback and additional discoveries• Presented information to entire staff	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Block Structures• Collaborative Structures• AVID Strategies• Team-building	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• PCMS/Barry Professional Development on April 10

