

Greene Central School

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Dear Parents and Students,

During an internal audit to look at our compliance with Education Law requiring schools to be in session for 180 days and meet the minimum yearly instructional time of 990 hours 7-12, (and 900 hours K-6) a potential issue was discovered. We learned that our current instructional day at the middle/high school leaves us susceptible to falling below the required yearly minutes. To ensure that we can stay true to the current district calendar, the administration and staff have collaborated to increase the instructional time for our students. We have moved our start time up five minutes in the high school and trimmed minutes between classes to create time within the existing bell schedule. We will follow the attached schedule for the remainder of this year. We plan to implement the new schedule next Tuesday, November 12, as it is the start of the 2nd marking period. With this proposed schedule we will be increasing our instructional time by 16 minutes a day at the high school and seven minutes at the middle school. This is a yearly increase of 48 & 21 hours of instructional time per year, for each building respectively. We believe that these changes will ensure that we meet or exceed the NYS Educational requirements regardless of what this winter throws at us.

We ask that if your child does not use school transportation that you please make sure they adjust their morning routine to arrive five minutes earlier to prevent being tardy to school. We are also encouraging students to continue to eat breakfast at school. The cafeteria will have breakfast available at 7:30 when the students enter the building. They can grab breakfast and head to their class.

We understand starting a new schedule at this time is less than ideal. However, this will help prevent other ramifications later in the year by maintaining status quo. We will also be creating a district-wide team to look at future schedules and our instructional day throughout the district. We appreciate your understanding and we look forward to the increased contact time between our students and staff.

If you have questions please contact your building administrators or the district office. Thank you again for your support of G.C.S.

Sincerely,

Timothy M. Calice
Superintendent of Schools

Middle School

High School

Period	Start	End	Length	Passing		Period	Start	End	Length	Passing
House	7:45	8:05	20							
1 st	8:08	8:48	40	3		1 st	7:45	8:30	45	
2 nd	8:51	9:31	40	3		2 nd	8:33	9:18	45	3
3 rd	9:34	10:14	40	3		3 rd	9:21	10:06	45	3
4 th	10:17	10:56	39	3		4 th	10:09	10:54	45	3
5 th	10:59	11:29	30	3		5 th	10:57	11:37	40	3
6A	11:33	12:12	39	4	Lunch	6A	11:41	12:11	30	(4)
6B	12:15	12:55	40	3	Class	6A	11:40	12:20	40	3
					Lunch	6B	12:24	12:54	30	4
					Class	6B	12:15	12:55	40	4
7 th	12:58	1:38	40	3		7 th	12:58	1:38	40	3
8 th	1:41	2:24	43	3		8 th	1:41	2:24	43	3
9 th	2:25	3:05	40			9 th	2:25	3:05	40	
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