

Recent Updates

SBHS Shifts to a 'Frozen' Schedule!

Parents, have you ever tried to schedule a dentist appointment for your child and tried to figure out what color day it will be for your student? Students, have you ever tried to get an internship or a job and tried to explain when you have classes at school? Help is on the way!

Many of you may have already heard that SBHS will have adjusted our schedule for next year to what we are calling a "frozen schedule." While we will continue with four blocks a day and Blue (beautiful) and Gray (great) days, Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays will now be consistently the same days. Mondays and Thursdays will always be Blue days, Tuesdays and Fridays will always be Gray days. Only Wednesdays will alternate, one week Blue and the next week Gray.

The impetus behind this change is the increased time students are spending in the community, particularly doing internships or practicums. The rest of the world does not alternate by color, so this allows students to commit to work or internship days based on frozen days. Students and teachers will also enjoy two consecutive gray or blue days bi-weekly. We expect this move toward more continuity will assist in the delivery of more engaging and complex projects with real world applications right in our own classrooms. Additionally, many of the other schools in the region are joining us in this change which may well allow students to access courses at other schools that their own school cannot offer.

We are paying close attention to any possible downsides to this new schedule, including the impact frozen days will have on early dismissals for activities and athletics. Mr. Hockenbury ran the model vs. last year's early dismissal schedule and while it does not solve any problems it also does not appear to create new challenges. At SBHS we always place our students' needs at the center of the decision and will make adjustments as necessary. Feedback from parents, staff, and students will be gathered throughout the year via formal and informal methods.

Frozen Schedule Color Pattern

Week 1

Monday BLUE	Tuesday GRAY	Wednesday BLUE	Thursday BLUE	Friday GRAY
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Week 2

Monday BLUE	Tuesday GRAY	Wednesday GRAY	Thursday BLUE	Friday GRAY
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For a full-color version of the 2016-17 Printable Weekly Frozen Schedule, visit our webpage at www.sbschools.net.