

Community High School District 155 Late Start Fact Sheet

(2014-2015)

Purpose:

Course Learning Teams (CLT) "late start" days are included in the 2014-2015 school calendar. Starting with the first day of the school year, every Monday will feature a late start for students. The CLT program allows all District 155 teachers to meet from 7:10-8:00 to discuss classroom strategies and curriculum. These collaborative meetings help teachers improve classroom instruction and enhance the learning opportunities for students. The common meeting time allows teachers to:

- engage in professional dialog.
- develop student achievement goals.
- collaborate in the development of instructional strategies.
- develop common course assessments.
- analyze assessment data to guide instruction.
- provide mentoring opportunities between our master teachers and their younger equivalents.
- collaborate on differentiating instruction for students.

Impact to Students

Generally, the CLT days will better prepare teachers to implement successful teaching methods and curriculum in the classroom, thus benefiting each student. Specifically, students and their families can expect the following as a result of late start Mondays:

- Transportation: The district will run its standard bus schedule on Monday mornings. Any student needing to take the bus will be picked up at their normal time. Students who drive or receive rides to school need to arrive prior to their first period class, which starts at 8:10.
- Bus riders are expected to enter the building upon arrival. Supervision is available to bus riders and those arriving prior to first period upon their entering the building.
- Services before school: Because all teachers will be involved in CLT meetings on late start mornings, students will have an opportunity to utilize the following <u>supervised</u> resources:
 - o Commons/study time
 - o College & Career Center resources
 - Test make-up
 - o Computer labs
 - o Library/Media center research
- Instruction time on Mondays will be reduced by 5 minutes per period.
- Cafeteria open with food available.

Measures of Success

- Course teams establish objectives to enhance student achievement.
- Increases in course grades.
- Course teams will log progress towards meeting CLT objectives.
- Long-term increase in standardized test scores including PSAE and ACT.
- Feedback from students, teachers, and parents.

Late Start Monday Class Schedule

<u>Period</u> 1	<u>Times</u> 8:10 – 8:50 a.m.	
2	8:55 – 9:35 a.m.	
3	9:40 – 10:20 a.m.	
4	10:25 – 11:05 a.m.	
5	11:10 – 11:50 a.m.	
6	11:55 a.m. – 12:35 p.m.	
7	12:40 – 1:20 p.m.	
8	1:25 – 2:05 p.m.	
9	2:10 – 2:50 p.m.	

Late Start Monday Dates for 2014-2015

Semester 1		Semester 2	
August 25	November 3	January 26	April 6
September 8	November 10	February 2	April 13
September 15	November 17	February 9	April 20
September 22	November 24	February 23	April 27
September 29	December 1	March 2	May 4
October 6	December 8	March 9	May 11
October 20	December 15	March 16	May 18
October 27	January 5	March 30	
	January 12		