

2019-2020

Hackettstown Middle School
Schedule

The Journey...

- September 2018 BOE Meeting
 - Schedule was quickly changed over the summer for compliance reasons
 - Not optimal
 - Administration would be flexible and tweak
 - A new schedule would be developed for the following year
 - Emphasis on increasing instructional time in ELA and Math
 - Feasibility study concurred

The Journey...

- Scheduling Committee Formed

- 25 Staff members

- Multiple schedules reviewed and discussed

- 15 other middle schools contacted

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| • Great Meadows | Allamuchy | Sparta |
| • Jefferson | Hopatcong | Mount Olive |
| • Halsted | Hardyston | Alfred C. MacKinnon |
| • Bridgewater | Copeland | Eisenhower Intermediate |
| • Mendham | William Annin | Hillside Intermediate |

- ELA range - 50-90 minutes daily

- Math range - 41-84 minutes daily

- Majority of the schools use pull out for Band and Chorus

- One school schedules it solely during the day - everyday
- One school requires the students to choose in 7th and 8th grade

- Majority of the schools have BSI pushed into the content areas

- Differentiated instruction

The Journey...

- Dissemination of Information
 - February Board of Education Committee Meetings
 - Two staff members present to support the schedule
 - February 20, 2019 Public Board of Education Meeting
 - No critical concerns raised

19-20 Schedule

Every Student will receive:

- ELA 76 minutes
- Math 76 minutes
- Science 38 minutes
- Social Studies 38 minutes

- Lunch/Recess 30 minutes
- Intervention/
Enrichment 20 minutes
- Physical Education 38 minutes
- Encore 38 minutes

Encore Periods

5th & 6th Grade

- Art
- World Language - Spanish
- General Music
- Technology

Each are a Marking Period

7th & 8th Grade

- Art
- World Language - Spanish
- Theater
- Technology

Each are a Marking Period

Band & Chorus

- Pull Out & Zero Period
 - Any Student who selects to be Band and/or Chorus will receive:
 - Instruction 3 times a week (in a regular week)
 - Pulled one time a week from Physical Education - reflected in student schedule
 - Pulled one time a week from an academic class
 - Rotating basis
 - Pulled one time a week from Intervention/Enrichment - reflected in student schedule
 - I/E is at the end of the day
 - 20 minute period
 - Plus 20 minutes immediately after school (zero period)
 - Dismissal 3:00
 - Staff is utilizing office hours in lieu of duty
- 17-18 the students received 5 days of instruction in a 10-day period
- 18-19 the students received 5 days of instruction in a 5 -day period
 - Schedule 2 non-content driven periods

Basic Skills Instruction

- Will be pushed into content area
 - Differentiated instruction
- Teachers are working with administration
 - Teaching schedules
 - Student groupings

Benefits of New Schedule

- Increased Programs
 - ESL Students
 - Special Education Students
- Increased Instructional Time
 - ELA
 - Math

Professional Development

- Differentiated Instruction
- Workshops to help teachers utilize the extra time constructively
- Social and Emotional Learning

Principal Forums

- Agenda - Schedule Changes
 - June 24, 2019 @ 4:00 p.m
 - July 25, 2019 @ 6:00 p.m.
 - August 29, 2019 @ 6:00 p.m.
- Location will be the HMS Auditorium