

Proposal 9 – Current Schedule

Proposal 9 keeps the current bell schedule in place. One issue is the IB requirement of Foreign Language (Language B) that needs to be addressed. Our 6th graders are only allowed one elective with the required core classes in place. Currently, the 6th graders have the option of Orchestra, Band, Drama, Language/Art Rotation, and Choir. If students are in any elective except for Rotation, they do not get any Foreign Language credit.

In order to meet these requirements, if Drama is put back into the 6th grade rotation (like Debate), not only will it give all students an opportunity to explore different electives, it will allow for about 80 more students to meet the Language B requirement. That leaves about 100 students that are currently taking Choir, Orchestra and Band that still needs to have Language B. These students can meet with two Language B teachers that do not currently have a GSG class twice a week and the students can return to GSG for the other two days out of the week. This would ensure that all 6th grade students would have the Language B requirement that is currently being met.

To make this work properly, we will need to add one additional Foreign Language teacher to our staff. Since more students are taking the rotation, we will need 2 sections of 4 teachers. That will make an average of about 23 students per class (theoretically).