

Late Start and Early Release Information

Late Start Days, previously known as Power Mondays, result in a 45-minute late start for one day per week (a few weeks will be excluded because of vacation periods) for approximately 24 weeks during the school year. All district middle and high schools, except Hillsboro School grades 6-8, will be required to add seven extra minutes each day to implement the late start schedule. During this time, faculty and staff participate in Professional Learning sharing expertise and working together to improve teaching skills and the academic performance of students.

Buses operate on the regular schedule on these days. Students who arrive at the regular time will be given the opportunity to choose from several supervised activities until the school day begins.

On Early Release Days, elementary schools, plus Hillsboro School, will release approximately two hours early. Seven extra minutes will be added to each school day to implement the early release schedule. These days will provide teachers within their Professional Learning Communities, PLCs, the opportunity to focus on improving student academic outcomes through common planning, development of common assessments, analysis of student mastery of specific standards, etc.

- Buses and car lines will operate at dismissal.
- Students who can't be picked up on early release days can remain at school until the regular release time, and schools will provide supervision through homework club, individual reading time, etc.
- A second round of elementary bus routes will run after the secondary school bus routes are completed, leaving on the same schedule as regular school days.
- SACC hours will continue on the regular schedule.