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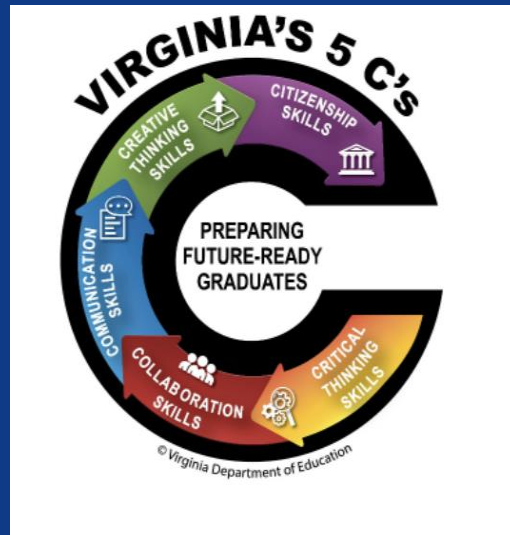
4X4 Block Schedule

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Agenda

What is a 4X4 Block Schedule?

Sample Schedules

Reasons for Change

Opportunities for Input

Next Steps

Questions



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4X4 Block Schedule

Students take the same four (4) classes for an entire semester

Teachers plan for and teach three (3) classes each semester

Continuation of instruction

Routines remain consistent for the entire semester

Sample Schedule and Reasons for Change

Current Schedule (7 Classes)

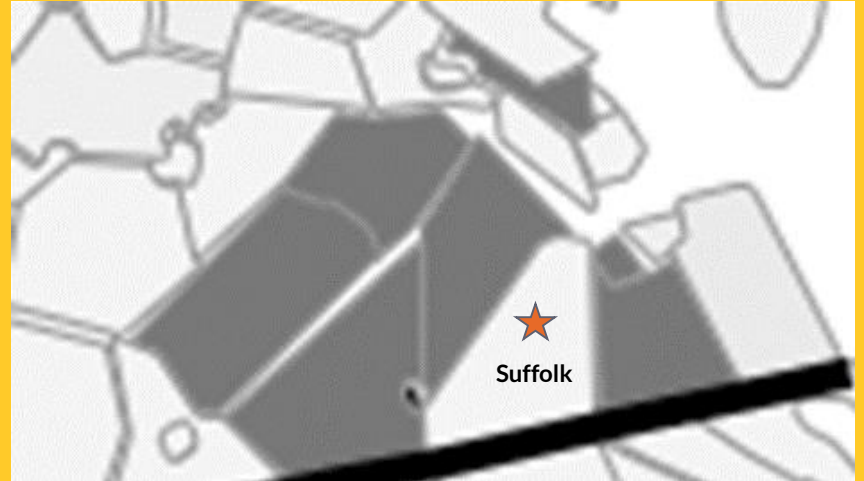
Even Day	Odd Day
Class 1 (55 Minutes)	
Class 2 (100 Min)	Class 3 (100 Min)
Class 4 (100 Min)	Class 5 (100 Min)
Class 6 (100 Min)	Class 7 (100 Min)

Sample Schedule (8 Classes)

1st Semester	2nd Semester
Class 1 (90 Min)	Class 5 (90 Min)
Class 2 (90 Min)	Class 6 (90 Min)
Class 3 (90 Min)	Class 7 (90 Min)
Class 4 (90 Min)	Class 8 (90 Min)

Area Districts on 4x4

Chesapeake
Portsmouth
York
Franklin
Southampton
Isle of Wight
Sussex
Surry

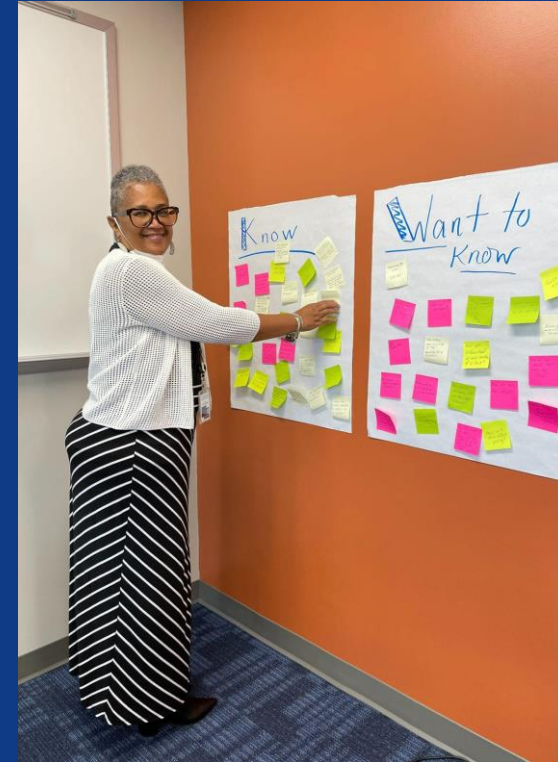


Opportunities for Input

4X4 Committee Meeting

Stakeholder Surveys

S Strengths	W Weaknesses	O Opportunities	T Threats



Recommendation

The 4X4 Committee evaluated varied opportunities for the implementation of this model.

Pros and cons related to the implementation of the 4X4 block schedule have been explored and we are ready to proceed with the transition to a 4X4 block schedule for the 2023 - 2024 school year.



Stakeholder Input

922 Responses

KFHS - 14.6%

LHS - 14.2%

NRHS - 26.6%

Parents - 81.8%

Students - 6.5%

Other - 8.5%

Staff - 3.6%

Excited: 56%

Unsure: 21.2%

Need More Information : 23.3%



WE WANT YOUR FEEDBACK!

2023-2024 4x4 Schedule Model Survey

Take the Survey Sept. 22 - Oct. 7, 2022

Suffolk Public Schools is preparing to implement a 4x4 schedule model for the 2023-2024 school year. This model allows students to earn up to 32 credits versus the current 28.

ADDITIONAL BENEFITS OF A 4X4 SCHEDULE INCLUDE:

- Increased Access to Advanced Courses
- Increased On-Time Graduation
- Reduced Student/Teacher Workload Per Semester
- Additional Opportunities to Provide Remediation
- Students Will Attend the Same Four Classes Everyday Per Semester



For questions, please contact the School Administrative Offices at 757-925-6750.



Next Steps

Educate and Prepare

Finalize Bell Schedule

Solidify Staffing

Maximize Credit and Advancement Opportunities

Add Additional Courses

Questions?

