4-Day School Week Information for the Tioga Community

Benefits to a 4-Day Week for Tioga ISD

Provides an opportunity for an increased time with professional development, in-service training and lesson development for improved student learning.

Staff and students receive an opportunity for extra rest and a less stressful environment to improve teaching and learning outcomes.

Improvement in school day attendance for staff and students with a day during the week for taking care of personal/family business.

Heightened student engagement with elevated efficiency within each lesson.

Increased teacher and staff satisfaction in the work environment, creating better recruitment and retention of quality teachers and staff.

Slightly extended school day equates to increased daily instructional time and provides for more flexibility of scheduling activity periods at all grade levels.

Extra family time with longer weekends and student opportunities to work in family businesses and extend life experiences beyond the school setting.

Area of Concern	Solution to Concern
Students may not get to participate in extracurricular activities.	All students will be given the same opportunities as in the past and transportation home will be an option.
Transportation to and from campuses on the 5th day when students are required to be on campuses.	Transportation to school will not be provided, but back to the home for all events will be provided as needed.
The entire 5th day will require extra curricular activity commitments for 7-12 grade students.	Athletic and extracurricular schedules will include limits on practices and meetings, primarily early in the day.
Students and staff miss days due to appointments and family engagements and 4 days complicates that matter.	Having one scheduled day per week allows them to schedule those appointments outside of school hours.
Parents will need to secure childcare for the day each week their children are not in a regular school setting.	A childcare option will be provided on the 5th day, beyond the TISD ECDC, at a minimal fee of approx \$10 per child.
Students will not get breakfast or lunch during the 5th day.	A food program will be provided for all families that need assistance not only

	on the 5th day, but also holidays.
The younger students will have more difficulties in a longer school day with maintaining their energy level & focus.	A structured time of activity will be provided to elementary grades where kinesthetic opportunities are available.
For older students, a longer day means even longer nights doing homework and extracurriculars.	The school day is 28 minutes longer per day and an activity period will be implemented at all 6-12 grades.
3 day weekends create too much time away from a traditional school setting.	Elementary students need the rest and extra play time. Secondary students will be on campus the 5th day, often.
The longer school year and shorter summer complicates family experiences.	The school year would be 3 weeks longer & the summer will be 11 weeks for 2022. It was 12 weeks in 2021.
4 days per week is not enough time each week for student learning.	Students in all grades will have 5th day on-campus remedial opportunities.
Crime involving Tioga students will increase on the 5th day of the week they are not at school.	Students in Tioga have traditionally attended school for 172 days per year and would now be in class 161 days.
Staff members working for Tioga ISD would lose pay with less days worked.	No current staff member would lose any pay based on what they currently earn, unless it is by their own choice.
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2 Year District Calendar Number Comparison	
2021-22 Current District Calendar	High School Day = 8:05 – 3:27 Elementary/Middle School Day = 8:00 – 3:22 School Days for Students = 172 (75,601 minutes) 1st Grading=43 Days, 2nd Grading=40 Days, 3rd Grading=47 Days, 4th Grading=42 Days
2022-23 Proposed District Calendar	High School Day = 7:55 – 3:45 Elementary/Middle School Day = 7:50 – 3:40 School Days for Students = 161 (75,670 minutes) 1st Grading=37 Days, 2nd Grading=38 Days, 3rd Grading=41 Days, 4th Grading=45 Days

