

# Mt. Vernon High School

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Board of Trustees:

Over the past year, Mt. Vernon High School has carefully evaluated various building schedules. The leadership team thoroughly reviewed the advantages and challenges of each schedule option, while gathering input from all key stakeholders, including building leadership, counselors, administrators, teachers, classified staff, parents, and students. The feedback overwhelmingly favored transitioning to a block 8 schedule. This change will help eliminate learning gaps, better align with dual credit and CTE opportunities, and offer increased flexibility in scheduling. Additionally, it will provide students with the opportunity to explore a broader range of courses. On behalf of the high school, I respectfully request your consideration in approving the move to a block 8 schedule (alternating days with a student resource time) for the 2026-2027 school year.

Thank you for your consideration!

Brooke Tharp

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