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Plainfield BOE Schedule Changes in Effect in November

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PLAINFIELD, NJ - Plainfield Superintendent Anna Belin-Pyles announces the restructuring of class schedules to provide students with greater opportunities to take additional courses during the school day.

“As a district, we feel our students deserve our full attention, and the immediate response to their concerns for greater flexibility in their schedules. These changes must be completed at this time and without delay, as time is of essence, to address the needs of all students at Plainfield High School,” said Belin-Pyles.

The change will move class scheduling away from 80-minute blocks to 45-minute periods. This change will take place immediately with plans to have all the students’ schedules completed on or before the start of the new marking period that begins November 12, 2015.

The change in scheduling will provide an opportunity for the district to offer additional vocational, advance placement and college courses at Plainfield High School. It will also lay out the ground work for the district to move towards introducing new areas of course studies that were previously not available at the high school due to restrictions created by the current scheduling.

“The Board’s mission is to support our students in every way possible, so they can reach their highest potential. We support Superintendent Belin-Pyles in this move from the 80-minute block scheduling, and we hope our students and community will be satisfied with the changes,” said Board President Wilma G. Campbell.

The change was made possible at a special public meeting called by the Board of Education and the Superintendent, on Saturday Oct. 31.

“The extremely productive meeting was well-attended by students, parents, faculty and community members. All in attendance were focused on the single goal of providing increased academic opportunity for our students,” said Belin-Pyles. “The Board was pleased with the outcome of the meeting and looks forward to scheduling similar meetings on various topics in the future.”