School Day Timetable Change at
Stouffville District Secondary School for 2015-2016

Due to the continued student population growth at our school it is necessary to change from a 4 period timetable day with a common lunch to a 5 period timetable day with lunch offered to students during periods 2, 3 and 4. We are making every effort to offer Period 3 lunch for our grade 9 students to keep them congregated as they adjust to their new high school. The rest of the students will have lunch either periods 2, 3 or 4 based on their individual course selections.

There are many reasons why this move is necessary to ensure student success and safety while attending Stouffville District Secondary School. First of all, our cafeteria is not large enough to support the whole student body on a common lunch. This creates concerns around student safety in the cafeteria and the rest of the school due to overcrowding. Wait time for lunch orders through our cafeteria service becomes a challenge as well.

The move to 5 periods also allows us to maximize classroom use to accommodate the varied course selection choices by our students. This will ensure that we can maximize the course offerings to meet student needs and honour their requests as much as possible to help ensure student success and satisfaction.

In closing, change is always a challenge. I am confident however that this adjustment in our daily school day is in the best interest of our school community and will support student success and safety.

Here is a visual presentation for your review and understanding of our new format.

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Please note our new school day start time is 9:10 a.m. and our new end time is 3:46 p.m.

This change will be communicated to our students and their families through a variety of formats including:

1. This communication release through our school newsletter;
2. Synervoice messages to our school community;
3. Posted on our Stouffville District Secondary School website;
4. School announcements and discussions in our students’ homeroom classes;
5. Paper copy of this information will be available to students and their parents in our main office; and,
6. The new timetable will be posted on our outdoor sign.

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