

PTSA SUMMER NEWS

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Proposed Block Schedule 2009-2010

Skinny Day	A Odd	B Even	A Odd	B Even
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1	1	2	1	2
2				
3	3	4	3	4
4				
5	5	6	5	6
6				
7	7	8	7	8
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Teachers and students will face yet another change when school starts back in August.

The new schedule calls for a “skinny” day on Mondays, where students will take all eight classes in 46-minute periods.

Tuesdays and Thursdays will be A days, and Wednesdays and Fridays will be B days. Classes on those days will be 96 minutes each.

“I can see why there’s controversy over it,” said Nez Calhoun, Jefferson County spokesperson. “I can

understand the frustration of teachers.”

She added, however, that the new schedule has two main benefits.

First, students would still have all eight classes throughout the entire school year rather than having four each semester.

Second, school holidays fall on Mondays, which means students will miss all eight classes. With the current system, students were always missing A block classes, which meant for an imbalanced schedule.

It is not yet known how the alternating block schedule affected grades. According to Calhoun, figures for this year’s testing will not be available from the state until August.

2008 McAdory Football Schedule

2009 - 2010 TESTING DATES

VARSITY

Day	Date	Opponent	Time	Place
FRIDAY	AUGUST 28	PARKER*	7:00	AWAY
FRIDAY	SEPTEMBER 4	CARVER*	7:00	HOME
FRIDAY	SEPTEMBER 11	WALKER	7:00	HOME
FRIDAY	SEPTEMBER 18	OPEN		
FRIDAY	SEPTEMBER 25	WOODLAWN*	7:00	AWAY
FRIDAY	OCTOBER 2	CENTRAL TUSCALOOSA*	7:00	HOME
FRIDAY	OCTOBER 9	WENONAH*	7:00	AWAY
FRIDAY	OCTOBER 16	FAIRFIELD*	7:00	HOME
FRIDAY	OCTOBER 23	BROOKWOOD*	7:00	AWAY
FRIDAY	OCTOBER 30	ERWIN	7:00	AWAY

*Region Game

BTEAM

Day	Date	Opponent	Time	Place
TUESDAY	SEPTEMBER 8	PLEASANT GROVE	7:00	HOME
MONDAY	SEPTEMBER 14	GARDENDALE	7:00	AWAY
MONDAY	SEPTEMBER 21	HUEYTOWN	7:00	HOME
MONDAY	SEPTEMBER 28	CHELSEA	6:30	AWAY
MONDAY	OCTOBER 5	HOMEWOOD	7:00	HOME
MONDAY	OCTOBER 12	PINSON	6:30	AWAY
MONDAY	OCTOBER 19	PELHAM	6:30	HOME

9TH GRADE

Day	Date	Opponent	Time	Place
MONDAY	AUGUST 31	PLEASANT GROVE	6:00	AWAY
TUESDAY	SEPTEMBER 8	BRIARWOOD	5:30	HOME
MONDAY	SEPTEMBER 14	GARDENDALE	5:30	AWAY
MONDAY	SEPTEMBER 21	HUEYTOWN	5:30	HOME
MONDAY	SEPTEMBER 28	CHELSEA	5:00	AWAY
MONDAY	OCTOBER 5	HOMEWOOD	5:30	HOME
MONDAY	OCTOBER 12	PINSON	5:00	AWAY
MONDAY	OCTOBER 19	PELHAM	5:00	HOME

8TH GRADE

Day	Date	Opponent	Time	Place
THURSDAY	AUGUST 27	BOTTENFIELD	6:30	HOME
THURSDAY	SEPTEMBER 3	IRONDALE	6:30	HOME
THURSDAY	SEPTEMBER 10	ERWIN	6:30	HOME
THURSDAY	SEPTEMBER 17	RUDD	6:30	AWAY
THURSDAY	OCTOBER 1	PLEASANT GROVE	5:30	AWAY
THURSDAY	OCTOBER 8	NORTH JEFFERSON	6:30	AWAY
THURSDAY	OCTOBER 15	BRAGG	6:30	AWAY
THURSDAY	OCTOBER 22	HUEYTOWN	6:30	HOME

7TH GRADE

Day	Date	Opponent	Time	Place
THURSDAY	AUGUST 27	BOTTENFIELD	5:30	HOME
THURSDAY	SEPTEMBER 3	IRONDALE	5:30	HOME
THURSDAY	SEPTEMBER 10	ERWIN	5:30	HOME
THURSDAY	SEPTEMBER 17	RUDD	5:30	AWAY
THURSDAY	OCTOBER 8	NORTH JEFFERSON	5:30	AWAY
THURSDAY	OCTOBER 15	BRAGG	5:30	AWAY
THURSDAY	OCTOBER 22	HUEYTOWN	5:30	HOME

Alabama High School Graduation Exam (AHSGE) September 21 - 25, 2009
Alabama High School Graduation Exam (AHSGE) December 7 - 11, 2009

ACT Registration Deadlines

Test	Deadline
September 12, 2009*	August 7, 2009
October 24, 2009	September 18, 2009
December 12, 2009	November 6, 2009
February 6, 2010**	January 5, 2010
April 10, 2010	March 5, 2010
June 12, 2010	May 7, 2010

PSAT Test Date

October 14 2009 (Wednesday)

First Day of School for Students

August 12, 2009

Christmas Holidays

December 21, 2009 - January 4, 2010

Spring Break

March 15-19, 2010

Summer Reading

12th Grade AP and Dual Enrollment
Beowulf translated by Seamus Heaney
Grendel by John Gardner
12th Grade College Prep
Breaking Dawn by Stephanie Meyer

11th Grade AP
In Cold Blood by Truman Capote
In the Lake of the Woods by Tim O'Brien
11th Grade College Prep and General
Eclipse by Stephanie Meyers

10th Grade Pre AP
The Count of Monte Cristo by Dumas (abridged edition)
A Lesson Before Dying by Ernest Gaines
10th Grade General
New Moon by Stephanie Meyer

9th Grade Pre AP
The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn by Samuel Clemens (Mark Twain)
9th Grade General
Twilight by Stephanie Meyer

8th Grade Pre AP
Night by Elie Wiesel and *The Pigman* by Paul Zindel
8th Grade Non Pre AP
The Pigman by Paul Zindel

7th Grade Pre AP
Max the Mighty by Rodman Philbrick and *A Christmas Carol* by Charles Dickens
7th Grade Non Pre AP
A Christmas Carol by Charles Dickens

6th Grade Pre AP
Kneeknock Rise by Natalie Babbitt and *The Tiger Rising* by Kate Di Camillo
6th Grade Non Pre AP
The Tiger Rising by Kate Di Camillo