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February 10, 2023

Dear (School Name) Families,

For the 2023-24 school year, all middle schools in the Everett School District will shift from the current seven-period student day to a six-period day. A sample six period student schedule is below. This change for next year in how students will experience their school day has many benefits, including:

* increased number of elective courses offered
* increased access and choice for all students to elective courses
* improved alignment of middle school electives to advanced electives in high school
* addition of a health/wellness course in grades 6-7 (meets new state requirement)
* addition of a semester of arts per school year (meets new state requirement)
* greater access to advanced courses having high school credit in grades 7-8

Students will begin selecting their courses for the 2023-24 school year in their \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ class in the month of March. Counselors will be presenting in \_\_\_\_ classrooms the week of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and will assist students to understand the new course elective options and select their courses for next year. Students will bring a copy of their course selection form home to review their course selections with a parent/guardian by March \_\_\_\_\_. Students will finalize their course selections for next year in their \_\_\_\_\_ class the week of March \_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

If you have any questions about the middle school redesign to a six-period student day, new courses for 2023-24, or would like to know more about the student course registration process, you may join us on [insert date] at X:XXpm for a parent informational Zoom using the link provided below or at our in-person parent presentation on [insert date] at X:XXpm in our school commons.

We look forward to helping your student select their courses for next Fall in their \_\_\_\_ class during the month of March.

Sincerely,

Principal Name

