



## MAHOPAC CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

**Anthony DiCarlo**  
*Superintendent of Schools*

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Dear Parents:

As I previously informed you, due to recent changes to the Commissioner's Regulations regarding the minimum amount of instructional time students must receive over the course of a school year, it was necessary to revise the 2018-2019 student and teacher schedule at the middle school and high school.

I am pleased to report that the District and the Mahopac Teachers' Association worked collaboratively to develop a new schedule for the 2018-2019 school year which complies with the new Regulations, and includes many positive changes that will provide your children with greater educational benefits and opportunities moving forward. The new schedule, among other things, will provide your children with more instructional time in the classroom and enhanced course selection, while still affording students the opportunity to seek extra help from teachers and to participate in after school activities. The new schedule also staggers the start times for the high school and middle school, which will allow the District to transport high school and middle school students on separate buses.

### Middle School Schedule

Under the middle school schedule for the 2018-2019 school year, students will arrive at 7:50 a.m., with Period 1 starting at 7:55a.m. The school day will consist of nine (9) forty-two (42) minute periods, with three (3) minutes of passing time between periods. Period 9 will end at 2:37 p.m., and teachers will be available to provide students with extra help from 2:40 p.m. to 3:20 p.m.

### High School Schedule

Under the high school schedule for the 2018-2019 school year, students will arrive at 7:15 a.m., with Period 1 starting at 7:20 a.m. The school day will consist of nine (9) forty-two (42) minute periods, with three (3) minutes of passing time between periods. Period 9 will end at 2:02 p.m., and teachers will be available to provide students with extra help from 2:05 p.m. to 2:45 p.m.

We are excited that the District will be providing our middle school and high school students with greater educational benefits, more course offerings, and increased classroom time with our dedicated teachers and staff in the upcoming school year. We are grateful to be able to provide these additional educational benefits while still maintaining the option for our students to seek extra help at the end of the school day.

The high school schedules will be available as in the past for pick up during orientation the week of August 22, 2018. In addition, on the portal at the end of the day on August 24, 2018. The middle school schedules will be emailed home in mid to late August. The elementary school schedules will remain the same for the 2018-2019 school year. Transportation will send the bus schedules out the week of August 17, 2018.

The District, as always, will continue to provide our students with the best education possible, and will strive to exceed the high educational standards you have come to expect.

Sincerely,

Anthony DiCarlo  
Superintendent of Schools