

Scarborough Public Schools



George H. Entwistle 3rd
Superintendent of Schools

After the last School Board meeting, we were requested to create a Draft #4 (which is attached along with the exhibit Draft #3 which was the topic of discussion).

After further consideration, a Draft #5, too, was developed for the SB's consideration. Here is a brief overview of each Draft:

Draft #3: Adds 9 additional **HIGH SCHOOL ONLY** late starts for the purpose of pursuing the NEASC Self Study scheduled for next year - these 9 new late starts have been added to the calendar September 2016 - May 2017, one per each of those 9 months. This is the Draft endorsed by both the Leadership Council and me - reviewed by the Board on April 7th and tabled;

Draft #4: Was created at the request of Board members who wished to have more predictability to the calendaring of late starts by having every Wednesday FOR **HIGH SCHOOL ONLY** between September 14, 2016 through June 7th, 2017. This draft adds 7 additional late starts beyond the additional 9 late starts added in Draft #3 (for a total of 16 additional, **HIGH SCHOOL ONLY** late starts);

Draft #5: Is created as an alternative to Draft #4 - seeking to add needed time in a predictable fashion while, at the same time, limiting the impact on instructional time. This Draft adds 9 additional **HIGH SCHOOL ONLY** late starts (like Draft #3), however, **NO LATE STARTS ARE SCHEDULED IN ANY WEEK THAT HAS A SCHEDULE HOLIDAY**. To accomplish this, 1 late start in October simply shifts from 10/12/16 to 10/19/16 and 3 late starts are added on the 3, open, non-holiday weeks. This draft adds only these 3 additional late starts beyond the 9 additional late starts added in Draft #3 (for a total of 12 additional **HIGH SCHOOL ONLY** late starts).

Note: *Draft #5 allows SHS students to have a holiday OR a late start every week between the start of school and June 7th, 2017 (providing at least 1 day/week for extra sleep) without the significant loss of instructional time incurred in Draft #4. The predictability of a holiday in the week cancelling late start Wednesday should make following the schedule easy. As well, even on shortened weeks there will be 4 days with Academic Enrichment and Support time and class periods that are of regular, normal length.*