

Episcopal School of Dallas

The Nest

Mixed Reviews for the New Schedule

This year the Episcopal School of Dallas decided to change their schedule to a form of the block schedule. The new schedule rotation is on a six day cycle. Other students have different opinions on the schedule. Different students were interviewed about the new schedule. 8th grader Gracie Kaiser talks about her opinion of the new schedule.

Emma: What do you think of the new schedule?
 Gracie: My personal opinion is I like the old schedule better because the new schedule makes our day longer, and it seems like the teachers gives us more homework.
 E: What is your favorite thing?
 G: My favorite thing about the new schedule is that on some days, it is more relaxing because we don't have every single class.
 E: What do you think of Flex?
 G: I would enjoy flex more if it was always study hall so I could get my work done, but I do like spending time with my advisory.
 E: How do you like having Chapel later in the day?
 G: I don't mind having it later in the day but I miss having it first. Sixth Grader Jordan Aikman also talks about her opinion on the new schedule.
 Amanda: What's your favorite thing about the new schedule?
 Jordan: Flex
 A: What's your least favorite thing?
 J: Longer classes
 A: If you could change one thing about the schedule, what would it be?
 J: Get out earlier
 A: Do you prefer the new or old schedule more?
 J: New
 Seventh grade science teacher, Mr. Willis, talks about his opinion on the new schedule.

Amanda: What's your favorite thing about the new schedule?
 Mr. Willis: Longer classes
 A: What's your least favorite thing?
 Mr. W: On some days I teach from 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM which is fine, but I don't have as much planning time for the class.

A: If you could change one thing, what would it be?"

Mr. W: to have more freedom in Flex

A: Do you prefer the new or old schedule?

Mr. W: New

A large number of students enjoyed having chapel in the morning to use as a cushion if they were running late or had doctors appointment. Students no longer have chapel first, so it causes a problem for the students running late. The schedule also confuses some students because they don't know what day of the rotation it is, so they sometimes forget to do homework. The new schedule isn't only hard for the Students, the teachers also have some trouble. It is hard for the teachers to make an assignment sheet because of the six day cycle, but the five day school week. Besides these problems, the new schedule is also really helpful. The class period is now longer, so more is accomplished. On day two there is "Big Flex", a 55 minute time period sometimes used for study hall. Everyone has their own opinion about the new schedule. Change sometimes causes problems, but most of the time something good will come out of it.

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MIDDLE SCHOOL FALL SCHEDULE

TIME	DAY 1	DAY 2	DAY 3	DAY 4	DAY 5	DAY 6
8:00 – 8:50	A	MC	B	A	B	A
9:00 – 9:50	B	MD	A	B	A	B
10:00 – 10:50	Chapel/Flex Time					
10:55 – 11:50	MC	ME	MF	MC	MD	ME
11:50 – 12:45	Advisory/Lunch	Advisory/Lunch	Advisory/Lunch	Advisory/Lunch	Advisory/Lunch	Advisory/Lunch
12:50 – 1:45	MD	Flex Time	MC	MD	ME	MF
1:50 – 2:45	ME	MF	MD	ME	MF	MC
2:50 – 3:45	MF	MG	MG	MG	MG	MG

Another iPhone?

Already being with the recent release of the iPhone 5c and 5s, rumors say that possibly a new iPhone is coming out. It will supposedly have a curved screen, with no noticeable outer layer on the screen. The reason of this is said to be so that the magnification of the curved glass would allow you to see easier. But the problem with a curved screen, what would happen if you dropped it face first... Uh Oh. Not really sure how to find a case for that either. The size of phone is also said to increase to. Just like the iPhone 4s to the 5, the length was longer, only by a small amount, however, the difference between the 5s/5c is approximately 2 1/2 inches longer with 1 1/2 inches wider. Within the face time camera and the normal camera, the face time camera will allow you to make gestures to get into your phone, replacing a

passcode or a finger scanner. And yes, maybe even an eye detector for the extra protective. Bringing it inside of the phone, the processor will not be included with Samsung motors, the reason is said to be because Samsung is made in all of Korea. With the threats going on, Apple does not want to take any risks. So what will you be missing out on? Possibly the speed, battery percentage, and maybe even the whole look. No-one wants to take a charger with them everywhere they go, or even they forget it, having to turn back and grab it. So now people are saying that you would be able to rely on extra power just in case. Just like a cover case called the Mophi (A case that charges your phone on the go). So without having a bulky Mophi case, why not just have reserve power? And we all know how the volume can be

frustrating, so Apple products is deciding to make your phone where as it gets farther away from your ear, the volume will either increase or decrease. Hopefully you can disable this because I don't like my songs making the volume changes every time I jam my head around. And while I'm watching videos, wouldn't 3D videos be incredible. Well Apple is trying to do that now, without having to put on red and blue glasses on. I don't believe that they would be able to make it holographic however. The iPhone 6 release date is said to be in 2014, highly unlikely though, an invention that quickly. This will be a major impact on electronics, being with all of the features. Who knows what will come next?
-Briggs Jones

Hungry for Hunger Games

Who's excited for the new Hunger Games: Catching Fire? Well, almost everybody. With the estimated box office value of \$140 million, it will not be surprising to see people lining up on the opening day of November 22, 2013. Many people who have not even read the books still

. The action and adventure of the books translate very well on screen which is one of the main reasons people fall in love with it. Not only is this movie action and adventure, but there is also drama. This movie will definitely be one to see and make you happy, sad, and everything in between.



-Quincy Lynch

(scenes are intense for younger kids)

Wolf Run

On September 25 2013, the ESD fifth graders went to Wolf Run. At 8:00, the 5th graders went to the dining commons, filled their water bottles, and they all talked about what they would do there. Then at 8:15, we left for Wolf Run, and got there at 9:00. At 9:45, all of the 5th graders went out with a 9th grader and played some games for about an hour, and then it was time to go to the tree identification test. The test was about identifying 5 trees, and they had to get some basic information on the tree like how tall it was, what type of leaves it

had, what the bark looked like, and some more basic information like that. After we finished that, we all had a little play time. The main hit of recess and play time was gaga ball. Gaga ball is a game in a closed space. It is usually an oval or octagon, and you have to guard your corner. Then after that, we all came in to let Mr. Lutken tell us a story. After that wonderful story, we all had recess and lunch. Most Kids there played gaga ball, but some still played football on the far side of the yard. In the middle of the football game, a baby bunny

had just come out onto the field, and it was its first time seeing the outside world. Some kids (including myself) even got to hold him! It was so tiny and cute! Soon after recess and lunch, we all did some activities, played board games, and refilled our water bottles. Then we had to pick up some leftover trash on the ground, but some kids left early because of minor health issues (including myself again). The main part of the group headed back to ESD at 2:15, and got back at 3:00. We left early at 3:15 when we got back. The ninth graders also went home, but later in the day. All in all, the Wolf Run trip this year was super fun,



The World Series

The World Series has been decided. It will be the Boston Red Sox vs. the St. Louis Cardinals. This will be a very close series, which is likely to come to a game seven. The Red Sox are predicted to win 4-3 in the series. Some of the Red Sox players who are predicted to be the star players are David Ortiz and Dustin Pedroia.

Some of the major players on the Cardinals are Matt Holliday and Yadier Molina. This 2013 World Series will be a very close and exciting World Series, which is very likely to come down to the last second .

-Thomsas May

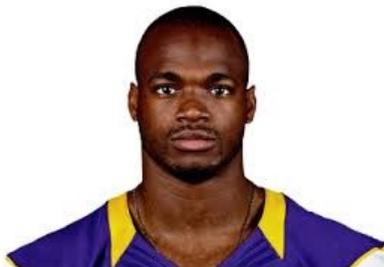


Murder in the NFL!

This past month the sports world found out about horrible news. Adrian Peterson who plays for the Vikings just passed away. The man who has done this is Joseph Patterson. He abused the kid to death. This news was shocking to everyone in the NFL. Especially to Adrian who almost beat the most rushing yards last year. Can you imag-

ine how you would feel if your son got beaten and passed away? Luckily many famous sports athletes helped including Michael Stratham who spoke out on twitter hoping AP to recover from this tragic event. After all this trouble AP got up and played in a game the next week. All our prayers go out to Adrian.

-Pearson Riley



Adrian Peterson

Fired because of Insulting Tweets

Since 2011 an anonymous twitter account called “@netsecwonk” had been criticizing White House Officials and particularly Obama. It had started out as a joke but, later rude and insulting comments were discovered. His tweets were extremely disrespectful, and do not deserve to be put out in

front of many people. Finally after two years of searching, the White house found out who the man was who had tweeted those things. The man’s name was Jofi Joseph. The shocking part about Jofi was that he was a director of the nuclear non-proliferation in the White House. Before the incident, Jofi had been the chairman of non-proliferation, arms control, and U.S. military assistance. He had also advised Joe

Biden, been a principal adviser on foreign policy, and been a staffer on the SFRC (Senate Foreign Relations Committee). Jofi would have been one of the people who would have been least expected to do this, but was due to his apology letter admitting he was the one who had tweeted the comments. Jofi Joseph seemed extremely regretful for the inappropriate comments he tweeted, but was fired due to his lack of respect towards White House Officials –William Cooper.

The Government has shut Down

On October 1, 2013 the United States governments shut down for 16 days. This shutdown was the result of the Republican response to Obama Care. Obama care is a medical plan where the government helps pay for a citizens treatments. This law was passed by current president Barack Obama. Being the conservative party the Republicans wanted to end Obama care to save money which is normal. What I think they did wrong is they thought President Barack

Obama would back down when they threatened to shut down the United States government. The Republican Party did not expect for Obama to keep Obama care for the 2 week government shutdown and he did. On October 17 the government reopened.

-Zan Haq



Republican Vs Democrat

Republicans and Democrats these two words fill the news these days. They are the two big political parties each with different beliefs. This past election most of Texas voted for candidate Mitt Romney, who is a Republican. However most of the U.S put their faith into the Democratic candidate Barack Obama.

Republicans and Democrats have different beliefs on how things should be done it does not mean they are sworn enemies. The two major political parties do agree on a number of things. In case you want to know if you are a Republican or Democrat see the quiz to the right.
Zan Haq

Before every answer is a number 1, 2 and 3 . Keep track of how many 1 answers 2 answers and 3 answers you have.

If the majority of answers you have are 1 you are a republican

If the majority of answers you have are 2 you are a Democrat

If the majority of answers you have are 3 you are neutral



Do you believe military funding should be increased.

- 1Yes Military funding should be increased
- 2No Military funding is fine how it is
- 3 don't really know

How do you think Taxes should be managed?

- 1Everyone should pay the same amount of money
- 2 The rich should pay a higher percent than the poor because they can afford to pay more
- 3I don't really know

Do you believe in standardized testing Stars and ERBs

- 1Yes the government should continue using Standardized testing.
- 2No it's a burden on students and teachers students do not need to take standardized testing.

How do you think we should respond to 9-11

- 1Amp up our military funding to make better armed soldiers
- 2Try to negotiate with foreign countries with Terrorist ties

Do you like the donkey or elephant better

- 1Elephant
- 2Donkey
- 3How does that even matter

Best Dressed Celebrities

Best celebrity dressed:
Celebrities are usually the ones to start fashion trends and take them to the next level. Here are some celebrities who are already on top of fall fashion..

-Ella Beck



Julianne Moore at Carrie premier



Diane Kruger at Metropolitan Opera

Pants

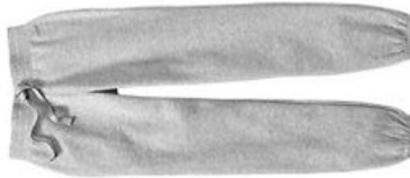
Pants are a good way to style up your clothes! There are all types of pants. There are sweatpants, jeans, yoga pants, leggings and a lot of others too. Sweatpants are loose soft pants. They are good for cold winter days when you are relaxing. They come in all different colors but in my opinion is gray because they don't get you too hot they keep you the right temperature. Jeans are great too because they match with everything! They are good in all colors and they keep you warm in the fall and winter. There are skinny jeans, regular jeans, and boy-cut jeans. When you don't know what to wear, throw on some jeans and a top and you will be ready to go! Yoga pants are just like sweatpants, only they are a little tighter and better to wear out in public. They are good when you bike ride, go to the gym, and they are so comfortable! The last big fall pants style is leggings. Leggings are also like yoga pants but you can wear them with cute sweaters and boots, as well as with T-Shirts and sneakers. Most people wear them in black or grey, but you can also get them in cute colors and patterns to make them fun .



Yoga Pants



Boy-cut Jeans



Sweatpants



Skinny Jeans



Leggings

Back Page Story Headline

For Fall of 2013, there are so many fun ways to wear your hair! You can wear it like Blake Lively, in a long, sleek blowout, parted on the side. Another Fall hair trend is in a bob, like Katharine Mchphee, hers is slightly curled with tiny bit of ombré. The way she is wearing her hair this season includes many of the current hair trends. One trend that seems to never go out of style is braids

Anyway you wear them makes them trendy, like Julianne Hough for example, she wore her hair in a messy sock bun with a french braid going up the back of her head. Finally, we come to messy buns, the new crazy trend that everyone is trying to find out how to make the 'perfect' messy bun. There are obviously many more trends, but the most popular are a pin straight blowout, a bob, some ombré in any hair style, braids, and messy buns.

