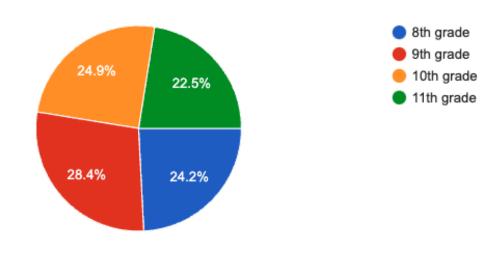
ISD <u>Student</u> Survey: Four-Day School Week Responses: 2,888 (66% response rate)

Question 1:

In what grade are you currently enrolled? Select one.

2,888 responses



Question 2: Please select any fifth-day options in which you might participate. Check all that apply.

Selection choices	Number of responses	Percentage of responses
Work part-time	1496	52%
Field trips, college visits	1309	45.3%
Credit recovery,	948	32.8%
attendance makeup at		
school		
A+ volunteer opportunities,	714	24.7%
service learning		
Internships, job-shadowing	693	24%
Enhanced learning	688	23.8%
opportunities, tutoring at		
school		
Wouldn't participate in	628	21.7%
fifth-day activities		
College classes	533	18.5%
Other	92	3.2%

Answers typed into blank field; duplicates have been removed:

- 1. access to the weight room
- 2. After school activities (Theatre)
- 3. after school activity

- 4. anything to do with sports
- 5. baby sitting/visit family6. Babysitting my little sister
- 7. band events
- 8. band performances
- base ball
- 10. baseball
- 11. be at home and help support family
- 12. boy scouts
- 13. Catch up on any work that I didn't complete throughout the week (homework).
- 14. Catching up on sleep that I miss because I wake up at 5 a.m. to get ready for school. clear my mind so i have a better mindset and maybe go to the gym
- 15. College basketball trips, track and field trips
- 16. Cooking
- 17. Do things that I can't in school, like study.
- 18. Do whatever I want to do
- 19. e sports or construction
- 20. Educational yet fun assignment day to relax from normal school stress.
- 21. Exercise
- 22. F
- 23. Football
- 24. free time in classes
- 25. Gaming Day (bring video games to school)
- 26. get a beak on work for 5 min if we work hard
- 27. get a job
- 28. get someone to do my work for me
- 29. Go fishing, hunt, sleep longer
- 30. Going to tutoring however not every Friday. Also would be great as I'd get more time to make monev.
- 31. Herndon career center
- 32. homework, sleep
- 33. I also clicked wouldn't participate because some days I probably wouldn't
- 34. I am deciding still
- 35. I am not on board with a four day school week
- 36. i do not know
- 37. I don't know what a fifth day option is
- 38. I don't know what this means but DON'T GO TO FOUR DAY WEEKS
- 39. i dont do any fifth days activities
- 40. i love u dale
- 41. i luv u dale
- 42. I play sports that practice after school
- 43. I think the fifth day is to much for students because if is five day in school people are going miss school day and there attendances wont be good. then they have take Saturday school and that sucks.
- 44. i think we should have 4 day weeks so i can work on the off day
- 45. I would say do sports such as Boxing but that's it. There's nothing really positive about this.
- 46. I would work on all the work i didn't get to complaint.
- 47. i wouldnt have a way to get to school without a bus
- 48. i'd use it as a work day and maybe get myself a part time job
- 49. idk
- 50. idk what you mean by 5th day option
- 51. If we aren't in school i will treat it as if it's a weekend day and won't respond to any teachers.
- 52. im already in boys & girls club
- 53. Increased practice time for private lesson material
- 54. it can help me with geting good amount of sleep and part time jobs
- 55. JROTC practice stuff

- 56. KEEP FIVE DAY WEEKS
- 57. Marching Band/Concert band practice
- 58. Marvel Club Movie Night
- 59. Mental health brakes
- 60. minding my own business
- 61. More extracurricular times (rehearsals and practices)
- 62. more soccer training to get a good scholarship.
- 63. music
- 64. n/a
- 65. none
- 66. None For Now
- 67. not a thing i don't want 4 day weeks
- 68. nothing
- 69. Part time working Mowing lawns doing chores
- 70. physical stuff
- 71. Playing video games for too long
- 72. probably only sleep....
- 73. Probably some other stuff
- 74. probily non
- 75. rather just have it off
- 76. resting in my bed
- 77. Self care, and to have a lil extra time for homework or study
- 78. SLEEP!
- 79. sleeping
- 80. soccer
- 81. spending time with my family, talking to my therapist
- 82. sports
- 83. still need to get at 2:25 if not then just messes wat we have planed or things to do if we do 4 day week an long time no 4 day week an still get out at 2
- 84. strength training
- 85. study more
- 86. unsure
- 87. video games
- 88. Video Games and sleeping
- 89. Wasn't worded for me to understand so I don't know.
- 90. watch my niece
- 91. what does this mean. like school actibties on friday. none
- 92. whatever i plan on doing
- 93. will kids who are on sports teams have to come all five days?
- 94. work on grades
- 95. work on missing work
- 96. work on school work if needed, or just catch up on work
- 97. Working to get better at my sport. (Basketball)
- 98. workouts but id much rather have that off day to go to the gym seperatly without having to worry about school
- 99. Would we still have practice for sports on Monday still?
- 100. yeah i want i 4 day week but like im not tryna do none of that
- 101. yes

Question 3: Please indicate areas of concern for you as a student with the possible adoption of a four-day school week. Check all that apply.

Selection choices	Number of responses	Percentage of responses
Longer school day	1652	57.2%
Shortened holiday breaks	1430	49.5%
No Concerns	794	25.7%
Impact on learning	706	24.4%
Staying at home on	399	13.8%
non-school days		
Source of food	693	
		24%
Other	92	3.2%

Answers typed into blank field; duplicates have been removed:

- 1. Activities I have to do. A longer school day would make it worse.
- 2. Adapting to a new system
- 3. After school activities
- 4. all days better stay the same and breaks too
- 5. Amount of schoolwork.
- 6. application and willingness to learn and teach effectively
- 7. Athletic practices/ games would end later then they already are. Parents that have children in elementary school having to find a caregiver on the day we do not have school. Longer school days will decrease the amount of hours I have to work at my part-time job. Longer school days will also cause problems in my family responsibilities at home.
- 8. because i want 4 day weeks instad of 5
- 9. being off schedule/ not getting as much work done
- 10. Better not add any more hours to school
- 11. Bullying
- 12. Clubs/sports/extra curriculars
- 13. Coming in earlier
- 14. Confusing
- 15. drained faster/less motivated. I would be fine if the start was pushed back but still longer. I still would probably get burnt out
- 16. Effects on social life; Not getting to see friends
- 17. everything bro
- 18. Extra homework
- 19. Forgetting what I learned Thursday when it's Monday, and being home for three days in a row with no break....
- 20. frustration of teachers with getting less pay causing them to leave the school district.
- 21. getting a ride to sports that are right after school.
- 22. getting to and from school
- 23. Getting too school more early than normal or later than usual. Some of us have jobs in which we have a schedule already put in.
- 24. Harder and more work during school
- 25. Harder time on arts (orchestra, band, choir, theater)
- 26. having to change work schedules
- 27. Having to wake up more early (That's gonna be 3:30 or 4:00 AM to me)
- 28. Higher stress as an ADHD and Autistic student
- 29. Homework status

- 30. i already have to start walking when the sun is barely coming up it'll be even creepier walking when its pitch dark i have to walk a 30 minute walk
- 31. I do not want to stay in school for longer, most of us have an actual life outside of it. If there was an option to vote no on this form I would chose it
- 32. I don't know
- 33. I don't really want the school day to be longer because I already don't really have enough time to do things that I have to do at home because I get home so late at about 4:00 PM and if there were longer school days, I would go home at about 5:00 PM and that won't give me enough time really but it's not like that's any of the school's concern anyway so you can do whatever you want.
- 34. i don't wanna do it
- 35. i dont think it would be the best cause it would limit time with family
- 36. I feel as students need to get used to the 5 day week. Students cant vote for a 4 day week when they get a job.
- 37. I feel like students will have the courage of actually working and getting work done on time if we had more sleep and the ability to work on extra work at home
- 38. I feel very concerned about longer school days, I just want to explain that many of us have stuff we'd like to do and we feel the school day is already long enough, I have to get up at 5:30-6AM to reach the bus on time, and in the evenings I have many projects and assignments to work on with barely any time left to do things I enjoy.
- 39. I get one whole day without friends
- 40. i have my own business and we can bearly have time after riding home now getting home by 3 330 and with my job (landscaping/lawncare) we can only work in the light
- 41. i have sports after school and a job, it wouldn't work.
- 42. i like school and i believe its good how it is
- 43. i love u dale
- 44. i luv you dale
- 45. I personally believe that we should not have shorter holiday breaks or longer school days because I, as a student, have a lot of anxiety related to school, so having shorter school weeks would be very beneficial for students like me. We would also have extra time to work on missing assignments or homework. We would also have more family time with our parents or siblings who usually work, which might help students with anxiety or depression. Speaking of depression, they would also have time for more therapy sessions and not have to worry about the length of it, etc. A solution concerning the availability of food for some students could be bringing food to students via the bus like they did a few years ago during the virtual year, etc. Teachers would also be able to do all of their training on Mondays, therefore not having to worry about returning back to class after it's over. With all of this said, the idea of a four-day school week would be very beneficial for both students and staff.
- 46. i think it will impact me because of my grades
- 47. I want my vacation days
- 48. I will not be bale to see my friends as much because I cant hangout with them outside of school.
- 49. I'm all for the 4 days, just concerned that hat they will pile more work on the students, experienced it first hand when my child was virtual
- 50. I'm not on board with a four day school week.
- 51. idk
- 52. if its a 4 day week then we still get out at 2 bc getting out later in the day that messes up are plan
- 53. if school had longer days athletes would go home later
- 54. If we make the week last only four days wouldn't we have to make up for the lost fifth every week in some way? Would this mean school lasts for a longer time period?
- 55. If v'all do the four-day school week there will be less absence from student.
- 56. Impact on learning
- 57. Impact on student grades
- 58. inconsistency in
- 59. inequity for seniors
- 60. Is school going to start even earlier than normal? Because being here at 7:15 is a struggle for most.

- 61. It will mess up everyone's schedule.
- 62. It would take away time for practices because school is longer. And we already have our work and stuff scheduled for after school so there is no point in changing it
- 63. It's already hard to maintain good grades with 5 days a week limiting it to 4 days just seems unrealistic because some sports have games on Mondays or practices on Mondays same with Fridays.
- 64. kids who need food or need all five days for like child care, already having all the days we have know by 8th hour we are all ready to go home and to be here longer would probably be harder for kids.
- 65. Lack of sleep.
- 66. later sports practice
- 67. less at home time for work, family or other duties outside of school
- 68. Less days for Band and Choir rehearsal
- 69. less pay for people working for the school district
- 70. Less practices for after school activities
- 71. Less socialization at school, more homework for the 5th day, less collaboration with peers, less productivity at home, etc. I know a lot of people struggle to be productive at school and I can see many people using the extra time to lay around and not do anything. Even if many people would use the 5th day for educational activities, I can see the majority of students playing video games and not using it to be productive whatsoever. Please please please please do not switch to a four day week. I would prefer to eat lunch with my friends than sitting alone at my house once a week. Socialization is very valuable to me and I really don't think I could handle not having school. I have VERY strong opinions about this.
- 72. less socializing away from school
- 73. less time to get home and take care of younger siblings.
- 74. less time to hang out with friends
- 75. Limited work hours because now 15 year olds cant work at all if they are in sports and 16+ kids can only work 6 ish hours right now but were losing part of that and our bosses wont wanna schedule us for the 3-4 hours we can now work wile still getting good sleep. and all hoping that we can get what? one day of work that we cant even guarantee we'll get? Not getting home to late so even less time to spend with family because they still have work to go to and friends? well now they have to work that day and all weekend cause they barley pull hours after school. Sports kids are messed up with there schedules now to.
- 76. Little kids getting off the bus in the dark on cold winter days :(
- 77. Little kids staying home alone and issues for parents.
- 78. longer holiday breaks
- 79. longer holiday breaks and shortened school day
- 80. longer school year and longer shool days i and no other student would like that
- 81. longer school year I like to work during the summer so i can save money for a car and college
- 82. longer school year?
- 83. Longer school year? And Block days mentally drain me.
- 84. Make a longer passing period?
- 85. make the school year longer
- 86. Many students already have trouble focusing for 1 school day, many would not be able to make it through if they were longer.
- 87. might feel like not enough time to do work if i have less days because when at home its easier to not do as much work.
- 88. more crammed schedules
- 89. More school work
- 90. more stress in one day
- 91. more work, more stress, more time with family
- 92. My concern is having longer school days because the school day is already long and the teachers want to get home and meet there familys or to relax.
- 93. My home schedule
- 94. my mental health in school vs at home is very different and in this case I need the three month break

- 95. My parents work all 5 work days of the week so if we were to have one off then we would have trouble taking care of my elementary sister with no parent at home
- 96. My Schedule can't fit a longer school year and i have things that need to be done before 3 so i would have to leave school early everyday.
- 97. my sleep will be impacted horribly that goes for everyone aswell my one concern is sports if we have longer school days then would we move it back causing us to spend more time and energy then regularly?
- 98. my vote is barely going to matter people are only hearing about the pros and shrouded by misjudgment decided to click 4 day week days
- 99. nah im cool on just 4 days of school
- 100. NO FOUR DAY WEEKS PLEASE AND THANK YOU
- 101. no having enough time for after school actives specially for outside sports because buy the time school gets done we would have that much daylight for practice
- 102. no summer break and class extending past 3
- 103. no time to do what i want to do
- 104. no your not takeing my summer away
- 105. not a long summer
- 106. Not leaving school until late May, not having a long enough break between school and summer school, not leaving the school until super late, and starting the school year even later, if someone misses a day of school then their not gonna have a whole lot of time to get anything done, teachers need their time and after school tutoring is gonna to make everyone have to stay back even longer.
- 107. Not seeing my mom long enough on breaks (I have divorced parents that live across the country)
- 108. nothing really
- 109. nun
- 110. parents that work a longer shift
- 111.people have work and they have kids that they cant take care of because there at work and mabey they cant afourd daycare
- 112. personally 4 school days would be more than enough be that on fridays im usually just sitting in class doing nothing because all of my work is turned in
- 113. PLEASE DON'T DO THIS OR I WILL LEAVE THIS DISTRICT
- 114. Practices for people on sporting teams.
- 115. practices for sports
- 116. Qwertyuiopasdfghjklzxcvbnm
- 117. really cool
- 118. Rehearsal time for music/performing arts
- 119. rushed through learning subjects
- 120. School is an escape to a lot of students, so shortening that for them makes them feel upset. Im concerned for their wellbeing and I think sticking to the same thing currently is common ground.
- 121. school is my break from my siblings
- 122. school is sometimes places kids get away from home problems
- 123. shorten school days
- 124. SHORTENED HOLIDAY BREAKS????? THROW THIS IDEA AWAYYYY

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- 125. shorter school days like wensday we get out at 12:50pm and the rest 2:50pm thats better
- 126. Shorter sports seasons
- 127. shorter summer
- 128. some people have jobs or have to take care of there family, personal lives outside of school even teachers
- 129. Sports after school and the block days.
- 130. Starting school at 7 in the morning, I feel if we get a four days a week then so do our teachers because they deserve time to their selves too
- 131. Staying later for after school activities, staying up later for homework, and going to bed to late

- 132. Struggling more then usual with school work. The teachers already don't explain the work well-enough.
- 133. The change from what I have known my entire life.
- 134. The longer I stay at school the less I pay attention
- 135. The school day would end around four and there would be about 2 hours of practice so people would leave school at 6pm unless they have other school activities after. Students also have homework and that takes about 3 hours. Have you even considered that students also would love their own time. Students would want about a hour or an hour and a half to themselves. Students won't fall asleep till 12 or 1 am.
- 136. Transportation for sports
- 137. Transportation to Sports on Day 5. Waking up earlier, especially with already proven teenagers don't release melatonin until later. Waking up earlier means more sleeping in class. You would make the school day longer, but less learning would happen in the mornings.
- 138. Unsure
- 139. waking up earlier at around 5:00 am which leads to being tired at school and being behind on work, less time at home after school, less time working at work
- 140. we wake up too early
- 141. Weird sleep schedule
- 142. what about people that have stuff directly after school they'll have to leave early to get to their actives
- 143. what about younger kids who's parents cant afford to take care of them during the off day?
- 144. Will it affect my work hours?
- 145. Will it make our summer shorter or what?
- 146. will the summer be shorter? will we have to do more work in one class cuz we have 4 instead of 5? will there be teachers here for tudering?
- 147. working more on the extra day off
- 148. working my job
- 149. Would everyday be block day
- 150. Would have less time to do anything besides school any day besides monday
- 151. Wouldn't get to see friends as often, gives you less time to turn in paper assignment, could cause stress at home for many people
- 152. younger kids not going to school and older kids having to watch them or parents not being able to pay for their kids to stay home

Question 4: Please indicate what you would consider beneficial as a student with the possible adoption of a four-day school week. Check all that apply.

Selection choices	Number of responses	Percentage of responses
More time with family,	2122	73.5%
friends		
Opportunity to catch up on	1918	66.4%
schoolwork		
More time for scheduling	1721	59.6%
appointments, personal		
matters		
Availability to work	1683	58.3%
part-time		
Student and staff	1382	47.9%
well-being		
More consistent calendar	804	
with fewer random days off		27.8%
during the school year		
Added fifth-day educational	585	20.3%
opportunities		
Other	94	3.3%

Answers typed into blank field; duplicates have been removed:

- 1. absolutey nothing
- 2. Availability to work part-time, Voluteer hours for Hosa
- 3. Be able to play guitar and work on my music.
- 4. can help students and teachers with mental health
- 5. currently I only see my grandma about Twice a month. If i get another day off I could see her about Once a week.
- 6. get more sleep and focus on yourself more
- 7. Getting a extra day off on the drama that happens at school
- 8. good question...
- 9. have time to relax for 2 days then on sunday get ready for school for the next day
- 10. horrible idea.
- 11. I am not on board with a four day school week
- 12. i can get more money and be able to work 4 days of the week instead of 3
- 13. I do not think adopting a four day week would be beneficial
- 14. i don't know
- 15. I don't really have beneficial
- 16. I don't see anything beneficial, in fact i think it would worsen my situation
- 17. I don't think anything is beneficial about this
- 18. I don't want a four day week i want five days please don't change it
- 19. I don't like it
- 20. I dont agree with the 4 day weekend
- 21. i dont like this
- 22. i dont see positives
- 23. i dont want a 4 day week
- 24. I DONT WANT A 4 DAY WEEK
- 25. I dont want a four-day week i want a five-day week
- 26. I honestly don't think that 4 days a week would make any difference I think we should just stick to the 5 days a week.

- 27. i see no benefits because it makes the school year longer and having a extra day of no school will make my sleep bad not helping me to focus when its school time
- 28. i think its just dumb were not gone learn as much as we do now
- 29. I think that we should get out at 12:25 and not 1:52 that's barley a half day and a lot of us being having work.
- 30. I think this is a very stupid idea
- 31. I would not want this
- 32. I wouldn't consider any of this beneficial.
- 33. ibk
- 34. idk
- 35. Just some nice mental health benefits for everyone involved
- 36. just to have time to complete work for school
- 37. less absences from student.
- 38. less stress. Not a full week of school would help.
- 39. longer weekend times
- 40. Mental health breaks
- 41. more sleep
- 42. more sports and free time
- 43. More time being by myself
- 44. more time in classes to get work done
- 45. more time to do things i wanna do
- 46. more time with my horses
- 47. No benefit, I have been in school for 12 years already, and its been the same. If you are gonna change it, change it after I graduate.
- 48. none it would mess up my whole school schedule and I would fail all of my classes
- 49. NONE!!!
- 50. none.
- 51. none. we benefit with 5 day weeks.
- 52. Not sure
- 53. nothin really
- 54. nothing at allII
- 55. nothing i dont want 4 day weeks.
- 56. nothing will be beneficial to a 4 day week
- 57. Nothing, literally nothing. I LOVE FIVE DAY WEEKS PLEASE DON'T GET RID OF THEM PLEASE PLEASE PLEASE NOOOOOO
- 58. pick up more hrs when i get a job
- 59. Play more video games
- 60. Please do not do 4 day weeks, I beg of you
- 61. The process of school is perfectly fine the way it is now. Doing this can affect many families, school is a great escape for students who wants to get away from home while they can.. I think this needs to have more thought to it rather than it just being a "break"....
- 62. There are none
- 63. there is none
- 64. There is not anything really beneficial to having a 4 day week
- 65. There would be less fights and threats because we would be at home
- 66. this doesn't really help anyone it causes more problems.
- 67. this will not be beneficial to students or parents
- 68. Time to yourself
- 69. To Rest your body
- 70. what ever
- 71. whatever the day brings
- 72. working, baseball and a couple more things