

# Mt. Harrison High School

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TO: Dr. Kenneth Cox and Minidoka County School Board Trustees  
FROM: Kelly Arritt, Principal and Shanna Lindsay, Asst Principal/Counselor  
DATE: August 9, 2016  
SUBJECT: Date Adjustment for Quarter 3 and 4

Mt. Harrison High School would like to make a proposal for a date change regarding end and start dates for 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> quarter on the 2016-2017 calendar. The original dates for start and end dates are as follows on the left with the change requests on the right, reflecting the number of days in each quarter.

Q1 Aug 23 – Oct 25 .....	41 days		
Q2 Oct 26 – Jan 16 .....	42 days		
Q3 Jan 17 – Mar 17 .....	41 days	Q3 Jan 17 – Mar 15 .....	39 days
Q4 Mar 27 – May 25 .....	42 days	Q4 Mar 16 – May 25 .....	44 days

The request is due to timing around spring break. Upon return from spring break, it additionally is the beginning of the state-testing window. We began Q4 during this past school year, 2015-16, and it was chaotic. In order to make the transition more smoothly, we would like to propose an earlier beginning date for Q4, thus allowing us to begin and be settled upon return from spring break. This change would give us the opportunity to have our students scheduled, teachers teaching, and to create a better testing atmosphere for our students and staff.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.