

Board Agenda Item Request

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AGENDA ITEM: Discussion Item - Modified Work Day

PURPOSE: Idea for reducing the budget

MEETING DATE: December 9, 2024

PREPARED BY: Lisa Arnold

SUMMARY

When the admin team met to brainstorm potential ways to reduce the budget, it was suggested that we consider going back to a school schedule where teachers teach the full day and have their prep time after students leave at the end of the day. We ran this schedule during the 2020-21 school year when we needed to decrease class sizes for social distancing during the pandemic. This type of schedule would allow us to reduce staff without increasing class sizes because we don't have gaps in the schedule where teachers are not teaching. There is a need to continue to look at this model to ensure we do not have unintentional consequences. If we do move to a 4 day school week, we could introduce fatigue due to longer days required to meet instructional hours.