

## **4-Day Instructional Week Most Asked Questions Latexo ISD**

1. When will the school day begin and end?
  - a. Elementary will start at 7:50am and end at 4:10pm.
  - b. Junior High/High School will start at 7:55am and end at 4:15pm.
  
2. When will the school year begin and end?
  - a. The school year will begin August 10 and end May 27.
  
3. What day of the week will we be out?
  - a. Fridays work best with dual credit/college scheduling.
  
4. Would the amount of work days differ for employees?
  - a. Yes. Employees currently are required to work 187 days, this would require employees to work less days with amending district policy.
  
5. How is the district able to help kids that do not have a place to be?
  - a. Plans are being considered to help parents who are unable to find child care with a possible teacher rotation work schedule.
  
6. How many days will students go to school?
  - a. Students will be required to attend 156 days equaling 78,000 minutes.
  
7. What are the reasons for this change?
  - a. One reason to move to a 4-day instructional week is to help recruit and retain high quality certified teachers.
  - b. We feel this would help give us a competitive edge in hiring employees. We have found that other schools that have 4-day instructional weeks are able to fill all positions with high quality teachers, aides, bus drivers, etc.
  - c. By being able to hire and retain the highest quality teachers and support staff, we feel the quality of our instruction and student success will increase.
  - d. We feel that a 4-day instructional week will attract more students to our district.
  - e. We are also making this change to keep student and staff morale high.
  - f. We feel that having off one day a week will help with attendance rates of students and staff alike.

