**Chico High School – Master Schedule**

We are on an alternating block schedule.

An alternating block schedule, also known as an A/B block schedule, is a school schedule where classes meet every other day for longer blocks of time:

* Block periods: Classes meet for 90 minutes during block periods.
* A and B days: School days are divided into two sets of block periods, "A" **Red** days and "B" **Gold** days. Each day has 4 periods.
* Course load: Students can take up to eight courses at a time.
* Currently most of our juniors and seniors are opting to take six courses. 25% opt for free period 1st periods on Red and Gold days. 75% opt for free 4th period free on Red and Gold days. In course requests, student select unscheduled AM or unscheduled PM to better help build an accurate schedule.
* Periods need to be well balanced and have enough seats for each grade level. Student population is at the end of this page.

Attached is a spreadsheet that lists our departments, teachers, current master schedule, and special circumstances highlighted in gray. The gray highlighted boxes are the class periods/sections that are designated free for teachers due to coaching, part time employee, or district meetings.

We group courses together or in pairs to make the teaching day easier for teachers. Below are some examples:

Salas teaches three Spanish 1 and three Spanish 2 so we have one day where she just teaches Spanish 1 and one day where she just teaches Spanish 2.

Special Circumstance by Dept:

Social Science: Student Government must be 2nd period Red and 3rd period Gold

AG: No special circumstances

English: No special circumstances

Art: No special circumstances

World Language: No special circumstances

Extra: These are teachers that are not assigned to a department. Currently we have one teacher and she teachers only two periods/sections. In this case, we would want to make sure her periods are back to back.

Math: No special circumstances

Music/Theatre: This schedule stays the same every year

Medical: Medical Career is always Red 1 and Gold 1. Heroes Teach is always Red 2 and Teach 2 is always Gold 2. Sport Med is taught by a couple PE teachers. Although there are numerous teachers, this class can only be schedule one period at a time because they share a classroom.

PE/Health: We need locker room coverage every period so we need a female teacher and a male teacher in each period. I’ve marked PE teachers with (F) Female and (M) Male behind their name.

Science: Courses have labs and need a prep or lunch break between science courses switches to help allow time for teachers to set up for the lab. Lunch is between second and third periods. For example:

Period 1: Biology

Period 2: Biology

Lunch – opportunity to put away lab for Biology and set up Chemistry lab

Period 3: Chemistry

Period 4: Prep.

Another example:

Period 1: Chemistry

Period 2: Prep - opportunity to put away lab for Chemistry and set up Biology lab

Lunch

Period 3: Biology

Period 4: Biology

SPED: The School will provide you with the SPED teachers that will co-teach with general ed teachers and which courses. Co-taught courses can only have a maximum of twelve SPED students in them. SPED students have a special code to distinguish them from general ed students.

ISP: These schedules always remain the same

SPED – ESN: These schedules always remain the same

**Student Population**Seniors: 447

Juniors: 453

Sophomores: 432

Freshman: 485