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TRI-COUNTY CONSIDERS CHANGING TIME OF SCHOOL DAY

In an effort to improve the safety of Tri-County students and to reduce the number of school delays, Tri-County is considering moving school hours to 9:00 a.m. – 4 p.m. during the middle 2 nine (9) weeks grading period. This time frame would be from after Fall Break until after Spring Break. If this change is made, child supervision at the school will be available from 7:30 a.m. until the start of the school day so parents could drop their children off if they had to leave for work.

Some of the advantages of this time change would be:

1. An extra hour of daylight to clean roads and safer travel for busses during the morning hours.
2. The possible reduction of school delays.
3. Students would not have to get on and wait for busses until 7:30 a.m. or later during the extreme cold.

Noted disadvantages are:

1. Some parents may need to leave for work before their child would leave for school. (School would provide supervision)
2. It would be a later afternoon for young students.
3. Some before school and after school activity times might need to be adjusted.

WE WANT YOUR INPUTS

As noted above, this change is only being considered, and we encourage all to express their thoughts. Please click here to fill out a brief survey and give your thoughts or call at 219-279-2418 and leave a message.

Thank you,
Dr. Gib Crimmins
Tri-County Superintendent of Schools